



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

Effective Date: 10/31/2023

Reference No.: CR-089-2023

Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 1

Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Franklin, Hawkins, Ivey and Watson

Sponsor(s): Franklin, Hawkins, Ivey, Watson and Fisher

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COUNTY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE for the purpose of amending Rules of Procedure for the County Council.

Drafter: Amanda Denison, Chief Legislative Officer

Resource Personnel:

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
10/03/2023	County Council	introduced and referred	COW
	Action Text: This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Franklin, Hawkins, Ivey, Watson and Fisher and referred to the Committee of the Whole.		
10/17/2023	COW	Favorably recommended	County Council
	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 8 Olson, Watson, Franklin, Oriadha, Ivey, Burroughs, Fisher and Dernoga Absent: 3 Harrison, Hawkins and Blegay		
10/31/2023	County Council	adopted	
	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Franklin, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 10 Hawkins, Harrison, Blegay, Dernoga, Watson, Olson, Fisher, Burroughs, Ivey and Franklin Abstain: 1 Oriadha		

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

A review of Council Rules of Procedure to allow for virtual attendance and voting in limited circumstances in the Post-Covid era. During COVID, the Council allowed for virtual meetings, attendance, and voting. Those allowances were only during the term of an Emergency. Now that the State of Emergency as it relates to COVID has been withdrawn, all virtual accommodations have been withdrawn as well. This resolution will allow for virtual attendance and voting, without the need of a Declaration of Emergency, in limited situations with advanced notice from the Councilmember to the Chair or Committee Chair and the Clerk. This Resolution will also require at least 48 hours notice for any rescheduled Council or Committee meeting.

Document(s): R2023089, CR-089-2023 Standing Committee Transmittal, CR-089-2023 Report