

Office of the Chairman  
Prince George's County Planning Board

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March 23, 2023

The Honorable Thomas E. Dernoga  
Chairman  
Prince George's County Council  
Wayne K. Curry Administration Building  
1301 McCormick Drive  
Largo, MD 20772

Re: CB-31-2023

Dear Chairman Dernoga:

Thank you for providing the Planning Board an opportunity to review and comment on proposed District Council legislation. During the March 23, 2023 Planning Board meeting, the following position was adopted in accordance with the Planning Department staff's recommendation on the proposed legislation. **A Planning Board Analysis of the bill is attached for your consideration and a brief excerpt from the report is provided below:**

***CB-31-2023** A bill to modify the definitions for convenience store, gas station, and tobacco shop uses in the Zoning Ordinance to clarify the percentage of certain uses that may be dedicated to the display and sales of tobacco products; and provide for a transition period to ensure compliance.*

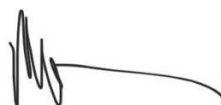
**Planning Board Recommendation: No Position.**  
(See Attachment 1 for full analysis)

**There are currently one hundred eleven (111) convenience stores, two hundred fifty-five (255) gas stations, and fifty-seven (57) tobacco or electronic cigarette shops in Prince George's County. Limiting the square foot and percentage of tobacco products and accessories sold at convenience stores and gas stations is a policy decision of the District Council. This legislation will affect all convenience store and gas station properties in Prince George's County that sell tobacco products and accessories.**

As always, Planning Department staff members are available to work with the Council and your legislative staff on any pertinent legislative matters. Please let us know if we may be of further assistance.

Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Planning Director at 301-952-3595. Thank you, again, for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Peter A. Shapiro  
Chair

Attachments