PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2023 Legislative Session

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Committee: PLANNING, HOUSING, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date: 4/25/2023

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Ivey, Blegay, Dernoga, Olson and Oriadha)

The Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED) Committee convened on April 25, 2023, to consider the appointments of Ms. Ameenah Karim-Capers, and the reappointment of Mr. Leon Bailey, Jr., both residents of Bowie, to the Redevelopment Authority Board of Prince George's County. The Redevelopment Authority (RDA) is established pursuant to Subtitle 15B. of the County Code. The Authority's goal is to stimulate revitalization in the County's older communities. The Authority's Board acquires land and property within the County for residential, commercial, or industrial development or redevelopment of these communities.

Ms. Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison for the Office of the County Executive, introduced Ms. Karim-Capers and Mr. Bailey providing brief biographical information for the nominees. Ms. Karim-Capers provided remarks summarizing her employment background as a practicing attorney, experiences, and qualifications to serve on the Redevelopment Authority Board. Her interest in serving on the Board stems from her commitment to development of the County and the County Executive's goals and policies for redevelopment of the County in areas that have been overlooked especially in Transit Oriented Development locations. Mr. Bailey commented on his service as Vice Chair of the Redevelopment Authority Board providing highlights of projects he has been involved in as a member of the Board and reasons for his interest in continuing to serve on the RDA.

PHED Chair Ivey stated that she had met with both nominees and shared with her colleagues how impressed she was with both nominees. On a motion by Vice Chair Olson and second by Council Chair Dernoga, the Committee voted favorable for the appointments of Mr. Bailey and Ms. Karim-Capers to the Redevelopment Authority Board.