COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

2015 Legislative Session

	Bill No.	CB-64-2015	
	Chapter No. 43		
	Proposed and Presented by	Council Member Davis	
	Introduced by	Council Member Davis	
	Co-Sponsors		
	Date of Introduction	October 13, 2015	
	ZONING BILL		
1	AN ORDINANCE concerning		
2	Minor Changes to Special Exception Site Plans		
3	For the purpose of allowing certain minor changes to a Special Exception site plan for Planned		
4	Retirement Communities to be made by the Planning Board.		
5	BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:		
6	Section 27-325,		
7	The Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, Maryland,		
8	being also		
9	SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.		
10	The Prince George's County Code		
11	(2011 Edition; 2014 Supplement).		
12	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,		
13	Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington Regional		
14	District in Prince George's Con	unty, Maryland, that Section 27-325 of the Zoning Ordinance of	
15	Prince George's County, Mary	land, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code,	
16	be and the same is repealed an	d reenacted with the following amendments:	
17	SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.		
18	PART 4. SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS.		
19	DIVISION 1. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES.		
20	SUBDIVISION 10. AM	ENDMENTS OF APPROVED SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS.	

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Sec. 27-325. Minor changes.

(a) Minor changes, in general.

(1) The Planning Board and Planning Director are authorized to approve minor changes to site plans for approved Special Exceptions, as provided in this Section. The Director may authorize staff to take any action the Director may take under this Section.

(2) The Planning Board is authorized to grant the minor changes listed in this Section, and any variance requested in conjunction with the minor change. The minor change request shall be in the form of an application filed with the Planning Board. The contents of the application shall be determined by the Planning Board. Along with filing the application, the applicant shall submit a revised site plan, and shall pay the required fee. The Planning Board shall hold a hearing on the request in accordance with the Rules of Procedure established by the Planning Board. The Planning Board's decision shall be in the form of a resolution. A copy of the resolution shall be sent to all persons of record and the Clerk of the Council.

(3) If the change is approved, the revised site plan shall be made a part of the record of the original application.

(4) The revised site plan shall comply with all applicable requirements of this Subtitle, and with any conditions, relating to the use, imposed in the approval of the Special Exception or of any applicable Zoning Map Amendment, subdivision plat, or variance.

(n) **Changes of Planned Retirement Community site plans**.

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(1) The Planning Board may approve the following modifications, following the procedures in (a) above:

(A) Changes required as the result of an approval of a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision;

(B) Changes required by engineering necessity to grading, utilities, stormwater management, or related plan elements;

(C) New or alternative architectural plans that are equal or superior to those
originally approved, in terms of the quality of exterior building materials and architectural detail;
or

0 (D) Changes to any other plan element determined to be consistent with the 1 overall design, layout, quality, or intent of the approved special exception site plan.

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1 (2) The Planning Board's decision shall be sent to all persons of record in the hearing 2 before the Planning Board, and to the District Council. This decision may be appealed to the 3 District Council upon petition by any person of record. The petition shall be filed with the Clerk of the Council within thirty (30) days after the date of the notice of the Planning Board's 4 5 decision. The District Council may vote to review the Planning Board's decision on its own motion within thirty (30) days after the date of the notice. The Clerk of the Council shall notify 6 7 the Planning Board of any appeal or review decision. Within seven (7) calendar days after 8 receiving this notice, the Planning Board shall transmit to the District Council a copy of all 9 written evidence and materials submitted for consideration by the Planning Board and a transcript of the public hearing on the revised plan. The District Council shall schedule a public 10 11 hearing on the appeal or review. Testimony at the hearing shall be limited to the facts and 12 information contained within the record made at the hearing before the Planning Board. Within sixty (60) days after the close of the Council's hearing, the Council shall affirm, reverse, or 13 14 modify the decision of the Planning Board, or return the revised plan to the Planning Board to 15 take further testimony or reconsider its decision. Where the Council approves a revised site plan, 16 it shall make the same findings which are required to be made by the Planning Board. If the 17 Council fails to act within the specified time, the Planning Board's decision is automatically 18 affirmed. The Council shall give its decision, in writing, stating the reasons for its action. 19 Copies of the decision shall be sent to all persons of record and the Planning Board.

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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Ordinance shall take effect forty-five		
(45) calendar days after its adoption.		
Adopted this <u>3rd</u> day of <u>November</u> , 2015.		
COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PART OF THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND		
BY: Mel Franklin Chairman		
ATTEST:		
Redis C. Floyd Clerk of the Council		
KEY: <u>Underscoring</u> indicates language added to existing law. Brackets [] indicate language deleted from existing law Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.		