# **Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary**

**Meeting Date:** 11/17/2015 **Reference No.:** CB-099-2015

**Draft No.:** 1

**Proposer(s):** Franklin

**Sponsor(s):** Franklin, Glaros, Taveras, Davis

**Item Title:** An Ordinance concerning Improvements to Existing Multifamily Communities for the

purpose of removing a restriction on new access and parking improvements for established

multifamily housing developments in Prince George's County.

**Drafter:** Karen T. Zavakos, Zoning and Legislative Counsel **Resource Personnel:** Brendon L. Laster,/ Legislative Aide Council District 9

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** 

**Date Presented:** 10/6/2015 **Executive Action:** 

**Committee Referral:** 10/6/2015 - PZED **Effective Date:** 1/4/2016

**Committee Action:** 10/7/2015 - FAV

**Date Introduced:** 10/20/2015

**Public Hearing:** 11/17/2015 - 10:00 AM

**Council Action (1)** 11/17/2015 - ENACTED

Council Votes: DLD:A, MRF:A, DG:A, AH:A, ML:A, OP:A, DT:A, KT:-, TT:A

Pass/Fail:

**Remarks:** 

### **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

27-419.01

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### PLANNING, ZONING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date 10/7/2015

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Harrison, Glaros, Davis, Taveras, and Toles)

Council staff summarized the purpose of CB-99-2015. Council Chairman Franklin, the bill's sponsor, informed the Committee that the legislation facilitates new parking improvements at multifamily projects constructed more than 25 years ago. Specifically, CB-99-2015 allows the construction of new parking without the requirement to reduce the number of bedrooms by 30% or more.

The Planning Board supports CB-99-2015, noting that the multifamily developments impacted by this legislation must still comply with all other Zoning Ordinance regulations. The following individuals testified in support of CB-99-2015: Ron Frank, President of Southern Management Corporation; Terry Cohen, representing Oxon Hill Village Apartments; Ron Wineholt, Vice President of Government Affairs, Maryland, for the Apartment and Office Building Association; and Greg Kennedy, in-house Counsel to Southern Management Corporation.

The Committee voted favorable on CB-99-2015 as drafted.

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## BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This bill will repeal a current restriction within the Zoning Ordinance requiring a minimum 30% reduction in the number of bedrooms necessary to permit the construction of new access and parking improvements for established multifamily developments in the County.

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