Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/28/2014 **Reference No.:** CB-075-2014

Draft No.: 1

Proposer(s): Franklin

Sponsor(s): Franklin, Davis

Item Title: An Ordinance concerning the O-S Zone for the purpose of permitting public safety fraternal

organization private clubs in the Open Space (O-S) Zone, under certain circumstances.

Drafter: Karen T. Zavakos, Legislative Officer **Resource Personnel:** Brendon L. Laster, Chief of Staff

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 9/9/2014 **Executive Action:**

Committee Referral: 9/9/2014 - PZED **Effective Date:** 10/28/2014

Committee Action: 9/16/2014 - FAV

Date Introduced: 9/30/2014

Public Hearing: 10/28/2014 - 10:30 AM

Council Action (1) 10/28/2014 - ENACTED

Council Votes: WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:-, ML:-, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-441

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning, Zoning and Economic Development

Date 9/16/2014

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Turner, Franklin, Campos, Harrison and Olson)

Staff summarized the purpose of the legislation and informed the committee of written referral comments that were received. CB-75-2014 amends the Zoning Ordinance residential zone use table to permit a public safety fraternal organization private club in the O-S Zone without a special exception if the lot has a gross tract area of at least five acres.

Council Chair Franklin, the bill's sponsor, informed the committee that this bill will facilitate the ability of public safety organizations to locate clubs in open space areas. Matt Tedesco, of McNamee, Hosea, Jernigan, Kim, Greenan & Lynch, P.A. and representing the Deputy Sheriff Police Lodge 112, testified in support of the legislation. Mr. Tedesco commented that CB-75-2014 will allow Lodge 112, which currently shares space with Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 89, as well as all first responders, to have their own private club.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-75-2014 and determined that the bill is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment. The Planning Board took no position on the legislation.

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The Committee voted favorable as drafted.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This bill will exempt a private club of a public safety fraternal organization on property with a gross acreage of at least five acres from the special exception requirement for private clubs in the Open Space (O-S) Zone.

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