PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2017 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-002-2017

Draft No.:

Committee: PLANNING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date:

3/1/2017

Action:

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Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Harrison, Patterson, Franklin, and Glaros)

Staff provided an overview of the legislation and informed the Committee of written referral comments that were received. CB-2-2017 amends the Comprehensive Design Zone Table of Uses in the Zoning Ordinance to permit Adult Day Care Center in the E-I-A (Employment and Institutional Area) Zone.

Council Member Lehman, the bill's sponsor, informed the Committee that she sponsored the legislation due to a growing demand for this use which was not contemplated when the E-I-A Zone was put in place and would have minimal impact on neighboring businesses in this zone.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-2-2017 and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment. The Planning Board took no position with explanation on the legislation and provided a detailed analysis concerning their position. The Chief Zoning Hearing Examiner reviewed CB-2-2017 and recommended that the Committee consider requiring that an Adult Day Care Center use satisfy some, or all, of the provisions in Section 27-332 of the Zoning Ordinance concerning special exception requirements for this use where applicable in other zones.

In response to Council Member Glaros' inquiry regarding treatment of this use in the proposed Zoning Rewrite, Rana Hightower of the Planning Department commented that the use would be permitted with standards. The Committee voted favorable on the legislation as drafted.