

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND  
SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
2020 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-68-2020

Chapter No. 51

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Turner

Introduced by Council Members Turner, Davis, Harrison, Franklin, Glaros , Hawkins  
and Taveras

Date of Introduction October 6, 2020

**ZONING BILL**

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 Subtitle 27 – The Zoning Ordinance

3 For the purpose of adopting and publishing the 2019 Edition of the Zoning Ordinance of Prince  
4 George’s County, Maryland, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s County Code,  
5 pursuant to the Council’s enactment of Chapter 37, 2018 Laws of Prince George’s County,  
6 Maryland.

7 BY compiling, codifying, adopting, and publishing:

8 The Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, Maryland,

9 being also

10 SUBTITLE 27. ZONING.

11 The Prince George's County Code

12 (2019 Edition).

13 WHEREAS, Article III, Section 321 of the Charter for Prince George’s County provides  
14 that the County Council shall compile, codify, adopt, and publish a Code of the laws of the  
15 County in effect at such times at intervals not greater than four years; and

16 WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance for Prince George’s County, Maryland, being also  
17 Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s County Code, was last published as the 2015 Edition; and

18 WHEREAS, on October 23, 2018, the County Council enacted CB-13-2018, known as  
19 Chapter 37, 2018 Laws of Prince George’s County, Maryland (“Chapter 37”), thereby adopting a  
20 new body of local zoning laws for Prince George’s County; and

1           WHEREAS, Section 4 of Chapter 37 states that the “effective date of this Ordinance shall  
 2 be the date of the approval, by the County Council of Prince George’s County Maryland, sitting  
 3 as the District Council for that portion of the Maryland-Washington Regional District in Prince  
 4 George’s County, of a Countywide Sectional Map Amendment”; and

5           WHEREAS, the process for approval of a Countywide Map Amendment is still pending  
 6 and has not yet been transmitted to the Council for consideration and final action; and

7           WHEREAS, in order for the provisions of Chapter 37 to become effective, the Council  
 8 must approve a Countywide Map Amendment; and

9           WHEREAS, pursuant to applicable law, there is a concurrent need to codify the provisions  
 10 of Chapter 37, as enacted by the County, as part of the Prince George’s County Code, 2019  
 11 Edition, notwithstanding the fact that these provisions have not yet taken effect; now, therefore,

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 County, Maryland, that the 2019 Edition of the Zoning Ordinance of  
 15 Prince George's County, Maryland, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code,  
 16 be and the same is hereby compiled, codified, adopted, and published.

17           (a) On and after the effective date of this Ordinance, Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s  
 18 County Code, as set out in the Zoning Ordinance of Prince George’s County, Maryland, 2019  
 19 Edition, together with any current Supplement that may be issued, shall be, with respect to the  
 20 matter set forth therein:

21                   (1) Conclusive evidence of the text of Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s County  
 22 Code, together with all amendments enacted or adopted on or before November 30, 2015; and

23                   (2) Prima facie evidence of all Zoning text amendment enacted after November 30,  
 24 2019.

25           (b) Supplements containing any changes in, or additions to, the Zoning Ordinance of  
 26 Prince George’s County, Maryland, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s County Code,  
 27 2019 Edition, shall be published annually.

28           SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the 2019 Edition of the Zoning Ordinance  
 29 of Prince George’s County, Maryland, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s County  
 30 Code, shall take effect on the effective date of this Ordinance. The master copy of the 2019  
 31 Edition of the Zoning Ordinance shall be authenticated by the Council’s Legislative Officers and

1 delivered as a public record to the Clerk of the Council. The Clerk shall maintain that master  
2 copy together with any supplements thereto. A copy of the 2019 Edition of the Zoning  
3 Ordinance for Prince George’s County, Maryland, being also Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s  
4 County Code, shall be made available in the Office of the Clerk of the Council for public use  
5 during regular business hours.

6 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the general penalty provision provided in  
7 Section 1-123 of the Prince George’s County Code shall apply to every offense or violation  
8 made unlawful by the Zoning Ordinance of Prince George’s County, Maryland, being also  
9 Subtitle 27 of the Prince George’s County Code, unless a specific penalty therefor is otherwise  
10 provided by law.

11 SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Ordinance shall take effect on the  
12 date it becomes law.

Adopted this 17th day of November, 2020.

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COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE  
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THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL  
DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY,  
MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Todd M. Turner  
Council Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council

KEY:  
Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.  
Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.