



# Prince George's County Council

Wayne K. Curry Administration  
Building  
1301 McCormick Dr  
Largo, MD 20774

## Meeting Minutes - Final County Council

*Jolene Ivey, Chair, District 5*  
*Sydney J. Harrison, Vice Chair, District 9*  
*Wala Blegay, District 6*  
*Edward P. Burroughs, III, District 8*  
*Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1*  
*Wanika Fisher, District 2*  
*Mel Franklin, At-Large*  
*Calvin S. Hawkins, II, At-Large*  
*Eric C. Olson, District 3*  
*Krystal Oriadha, District 7*  
*Ingrid S. Watson, District 4*

*Jennifer A. Jenkins, Council Administrator*

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Tuesday, April 16, 2024

10:30 AM

Council Hearing Room

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### 9:30 A.M. - AGENDA BRIEFING - (ROOM 2027)

### 10:00 A.M. - PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

- 1. Council Member Calvin Hawkins presented a proclamation to Dr. Henry A. Wise Jr., Pumas Boys Basketball Team, recognizing them as the "2023-2024 4A Regional and League Basketball Champions" in Prince George's County.*
- 2. Council Member Ingrid Watson presented a proclamation to the Largo Lions Boys Basketball Team, on behalf of Council Member Blegay, recognizing them as the "2023-2024 2A Regional and State Basketball Champions" in Prince George's County.*
- 3. Council Vice-Chair Sydney Harrison presented a proclamation to the Gwynn Park Yellow Jackets Girls Basketball Team, recognizing them as the "2A Regional Champions and the 3A/2A/1A County and League Champions"*

*in Prince George's County.*

*4. Council Vice-Chair Sydney Harrison presented a proclamation to the Gwynn Park Yellow Jackets Boys Basketball Team, recognizing them as the "3A/2a/1a County and League Champions" in Prince George's County.*

**10:30 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*The meeting was called to order by Chair Jolene Ivey at 10:56 a.m. with 10 members present at roll call.*

**Present:**        9 - Chair Jolene Ivey  
                         Vice Chair Sydney Harrison  
                         Council Member Thomas Dernoga  
                         Council Member Wala Blegay  
                         Council Member Edward Burroughs  
                         Council Member Calvin S. Hawkins  
                         Council Member Eric Olson  
                         Council Member Krystal Oriadha  
                         Council Member Ingrid Watson

**Absent:**           Council Member Wanika Fisher

**Remote:**        1 - Council Member Mel Franklin

*Also present:*

*Jennifer Jenkins, Council Administrator*

*Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator*

*Karen T. Zavakos, Acting Associate Council Administrator*

*Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council*

*James Walker-Bey, Associate Clerk of the Council*

*Edgar Reese, Legislative Reference Aide*

*Sakinda Skinner, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive*

*Terry Bell, Associate County Attorney, Office of Law*

*Kathy Canning, Legislative Attorney*

*Nathaniel K. Tutt, III, Director, GOFP Committee*

**INVOCATION:**

*Rev. Dr. Mark E. Whitlock, Jr., Senior Pastor, Reid Temple African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church, Glenn Dale, Maryland, provided remarks and introduced Rev. Joseph P. Deck III, Itinerant Deacon, Director of Clergy & Pastoral Care, Reid Temple A.M.E., who provided the Invocation. Council Member Olson requested prayer for his father who recently celebrated his 84th birthday. Vice Chair Harrison requested a prayer of peace for all the conflicts across the globe as well as a prayer for his aunt who recently passed away. Council Member Oriadha requested a prayer for the grandmother of a member of her staff who was involved in a car accident. Council Member Burroughs requested a prayer for Reid Temple A.M.E. Church in all the work that they do in the community. Chair Ivey requested a prayer for the Price and the Royster families who both recently experienced tragic losses. Council Member Hawkins requested a prayer for those who have been victims of the recent fires and other crimes in the county. He also requested a prayer for the Legislative Branch in their bereavement of Mirinda Jackson.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Watson.*

**REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

*Mary Durkin, Rosana Weaver, and Akoma Love addressed the Council.*

**LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 9****1. CONSENT AGENDA****(a) Approval of County Council Minutes**

[MIN 04092024a](#)

County Council Minutes dated April 9, 2024

Draft 1

**Attachment(s):** [04092024a](#)

**These Minutes were approved.**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**

[MIN 04092024b](#)

Draft 1

County Council Minutes dated April 9, 2024 BOH

**Attachment(s):** [04092024b](#)

**These Minutes were approved.**

**(b) First Reading of Bills (Presentation)**

[CB-029-2024](#)

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING JUVENILE AND MINOR CURFEW ZONES** for the purpose of allowing commercial property owners the ability to request the Police Chief to create zones within the County with a more restrictive juvenile or minor curfew; providing for the application for a more restrictive juvenile or minor curfew zone including the specification of the area covered following reasonable geographical boundaries; providing that the proposed area is primarily commercial; providing that the applicant demonstrates the ability to provide notice to the public of the more restrictive juvenile or minor curfew zone; and providing the applicant includes a letter of support from at least one County Council member that represents the district containing the more restrictive juvenile or minor curfew zone; and other related provisions.

**Sponsor(s):** Burroughs

**Attachment(s):** [B2024029](#)

[CB-029-2024 Summary](#)

[CB-029-2024 Proposed Draft 2](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Burroughs and referred to the Committee of the Whole.**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)****[CB-030-2024](#)**

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING UNTRACEABLE FIREARMS AND MINORS** for the purpose of adding and incorporating the State Code definitions related to firearms to the County Code; including the definition of Untraceable Firearms to the list prohibited loaded weapons; prohibiting the transfer of untraceable firearms to minors; and increasing the maximum penalty for each violation; and other general provisions related to untraceable firearms.

**Sponsor(s):** Oriadha and Hawkins

**Attachment(s):** [B2024030](#)  
[CB-030-2024 Summary](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by Council Members Oriadha and Hawkins and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.**

**[CB-031-2024](#)**

Draft 1

**AN ACT CONCERNING COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES - ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION** for the purpose of providing for certain powers; providing for certain definitions; providing for alternative dispute resolution and the exhaustion of administrative remedies; providing for a request for relief from a stay; providing for acceptance of jurisdiction of complaints; providing for the production of evidence; providing for mediation and dismissal before a hearing; providing for a hearing panel; providing for an administrative hearing; providing for the settlement of disputes and assistance to parties; and generally relating to alternative dispute resolution in common ownership communities.

**Sponsor(s):** Blegay

**Attachment(s):** [B2024031](#)  
[CB-031-2024 Summary](#)

**This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Blegay and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.**

**(c) Introduction of Resolutions****[CR-029-2024](#)**

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTINUING EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM** for the purpose of encouraging the University of Maryland College Park, Bowie State University, and Prince George's Community College to work together to offer a program for Prince George's County Police Department to receive tuition

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and credit benefits at their respective institutions.

**Sponsor(s):** Fisher

**Attachment(s):** [R2024029](#)  
[CR-029-2024 Summary](#)

*Chair Ivey announced that this item would be removed from the Agenda since its sponsor, Council Member Fisher, was not present.*

**This Resolution was removed from the Consent Agenda.**

**CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)**

**CR-030-2024**

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION - LEASE AGREEMENTS** for the purpose of approving, by legislative action of the District Council in accordance with State law, an Affirmation and First Amendment to Agreement between CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a Verizon Wireless and The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

**Sponsor(s):** Ivey

**Attachment(s):** [R2024030](#)  
[CR-030-2024 Attachment 1](#)  
[CR-030-2024 Attachment 2](#)  
[CR-030-2024 Attachment 3](#)  
[CR-030-2024 Summary](#)  
[CR-030-2024 Transmittal](#)  
[PGCPB Transmittal Packet Pink - DPR](#)

*This Resolution will approve a proposed First Amendment to an Original Lease Agreement that was previously approved by the Council and executed by and between the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a Verizon Wireless, as to certain property in the County for telecommunications utility services, consistent with park purposes. Approval by legislative action of the Council is required pursuant to Section 17-204(a)(2), Land Use Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.*

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Member Ivey and referred to the Committee of the Whole.**

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**MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council**

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**Member Watson, that this Consent Agenda be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| <b>Aye</b>    | 10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson |
| <b>Absent</b> | Fisher  |

## **2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

*NO ITEMS CONSIDERED*

## **3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

*NO ITEMS CONSIDERED*

## **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

[APPT-7-24](#)

Draft 1

**Appointment of the following individuals to the Revenue Authority Board of Prince George's County:**

**Ms. Shameeka R. Price**

Appointment

Replacing: Calvin Brown

Term Expires: 7/28/2027

**Mr. E. Troy Washington, MPA, JD**

Appointment

Replacing: Charles McFadden

Term Expiration: 7/28/2026

**Attachment(s):** [Revenue Authority Board Appointment Transmittal](#)

[Revenue Authority Board Appointment Package](#)

[Revenue Authority Board Appointment Report](#)

*Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 11:27 a.m. Nathaniel Tutt, Director, Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP), provided a verbal report of the actions and recommendations of the GOFP Committee for the Revenue Authority Board of Prince George's County appointments. Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison, Office of the County Executive, introduced the appointees and spoke to their credentials and qualifications. There were no speakers signed up for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.*

**The public hearing for this Appointment was held.**

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Appointment be confirmed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

|               |     |   |
|---------------|-----|---|
| <b>Aye</b>    | 9 - | Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson |
| <b>Absent</b> |     | Burroughs and Fisher  |

## **5. INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

### **CR-031-2024**

Draft 1

#### **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE YATES AND MARY BOSWELL**

**HOUSE** for the purpose of designating the Yates and Mary Boswell House (Documented Property 66-029-09) as an Historic Site in Prince George's County, Maryland.

**Sponsor(s):** Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson, Watson and Franklin

**Attachment(s):** [R2024031](#)  
[CR-031-2024 Summary](#)

*Karen Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator, provided an overview of CR-031-2024. This Resolution will approve the proposed designation of the Yates and Mary Boswell House as an Historic Site in Prince George's County, pursuant to the authority set forth in Section 29-120.01 of the Prince George's County Code and the Land Use Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.*

**This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson, Watson and Franklin.**

**A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Watson, that the rules be suspended for this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

|               |     |   |
|---------------|-----|---|
| <b>Aye</b>    | 9 - | Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson |
| <b>Absent</b> |     | Burroughs and Fisher  |

**A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

|               |     |   |
|---------------|-----|---|
| <b>Aye</b>    | 9 - | Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson |
| <b>Absent</b> |     | Burroughs and Fisher  |



**6. BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**[BR 04162024](#)

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**COUNCIL MEMBER WORKGROUP UPDATES**

COG Board of Directors (Council Members Dernoga and Watson)

Food and Agriculture Regional Member Policy Committee (Council Member Blegay)

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (Council Member Dernoga)

*Council Member Watson announced that she was unable to attend the latest COG Board of Directors meeting as she was attending the funeral of former MBE Compliance Manager, Mirinda Jackson. Council Member Dernoga provided an update on the COG Board of Directors and the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Commission. Council Member Blegay mentioned that she was unsure about the Food and Agriculture Regional Member Policy Committee. Vice Chair Harrison provided an update on the Economic Development Corporation.*

**This Briefing was held.**

[REC8-24](#)

Draft 1

**RECESS**

*THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 11:40 A.M.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Dernoga, that this meeting be recessed. The motion carried by unanimous vote.**

**Aye**                    10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

**Absent**                Fisher

**11:30 AM - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

*(SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)*

**RECONVENE**

*THE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING WAS RECONVENED AT 1:08 P.M.*

**1:00 PM - PUBLIC HEARING: - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)**

[PH 04162024](#)

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**WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 OPERATING & CAPITAL BUDGETS AND THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR WATER AND SEWERAGE, FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025-2030**

**Attachment(s):** <https://www.wsscwater.com/budget>  
<https://pgccouncil.us/454/Budget-Portal>

*Pursuant to proper notice, the public hearing convened at 1:09 p.m. Monica Marquina, Government Affairs Director, Intergovernmental Relations, WSSC, provided brief comments. There were no speakers signed up for this item. All persons wishing to speak having done so, the public hearing was declared held.*

**This Public Hearing was held.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – (1ST FLOOR EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM)**

[EX 04162024](#)

Draft 1

Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(1), General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, in order to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically to consider and discuss appointments to the Prince George's County Board of Appeals.

*The Chair read the following closing statement/motion to convene in executive session: "Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(1), General Provisions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, in order to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically to consider and discuss appointments to the Prince George's County Board of Appeals." The Executive Session was held.*

*On 4/16/2024, a motion was made by Chair Ivey, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this meeting be convened into Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 9, Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga,*

*Burroughs, Franklin, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson*

*Date of Executive Session: April 16, 2024*

*Time of Vote to Close Session: 1:09 p.m.*

*Location of Executive Session: 1st Floor Executive Conference Room*

*Beginning Time: 1:26 p.m.*

*Ending Time: 1:32 p.m.*

*Members Present:*

*CM Ivey, Chairwoman, CM Harrison, Vice-Chairman, CM Blegay, CM Burroughs, CM Dernoga, CM Franklin (virtual/remote), CM Hawkins, CM Olson, and CM Watson*

*Members Absent:*

*CM Fisher*

*Others Present:*

*Jennifer Jenkins, Colette Gresham, Karen Zavakos, Leonard Moses, and Ellis Watson*

*Topics Discussed:*

- 1. Appointment of members to the Prince George's County Board of Appeals.*
- 2. Appointment of the Board of Appeals Attorney to serve the Prince George's County Board of Appeals.*

*Actions Taken:*

- 1. Motion to appoint Mr. Omara M. "Omar" Boulware, Ms. Phillippa Johnston, and Mr. Dwayne A. Stanton to the Prince George's County Board of Appeals by a 10-0 vote (fav), Motion by: CM Burroughs, Second: CM Ivey*
- 2. Motion to appoint Ms. Keisha A. Garner as Board of Appeals Attorney to serve the Prince Georges County Board of Appeals by a 10-0 vote (fav), Motion by: CM Harrison, Second: CM Ivey*

*Vote Closing the Meeting pursuant to Section 3-305(b) (1): 9 – 0, Motion by: CM Ivey, Second: CM Olson*

*Vote to Adjourn: 10-0, Motion by: CM Ivey, Second: CM Olson*

**A motion was made by Chair Ivey, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this meeting be convened into Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye**                    9 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Burroughs, Franklin, Hawkins,  
Olson, Oriadha and Watson

**Absent**                Blegay and Fisher

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**ADJOURN**

*THIS MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:11 P.M.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous vote.**

**Aye**                    10 - Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Franklin,  
Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

**Absent**                Fisher

Prepared by:

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Edgar Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

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Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council