



Prince George's County Council

County Administration Building
14741 Governor Oden Bowie
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Upper Marlboro, Maryland
20772-3050

Meeting Minutes - Final County Council

Todd M. Turner, Chair, District 4
Monique Anderson-Walker, District 8
Derrick Leon Davis, District 6
Thomas E. Dernoga, District 1
Mel Franklin, At-Large
Dannielle M. Glaros, District 3
Sydney J. Harrison, District 9
Calvin S. Hawkins, II, Vice Chair, At-Large
Jolene Ivey, District 5
Rodney C. Streeter, District 7
Deni L. Taveras, District 2

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

11:00 AM

Council Hearing Room

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

The Agenda Briefing commenced at 9:44 a.m. Due to a lack of a quorum of members, a public statement was read and the Agenda Briefing was conducted as an informal discussion in lieu of a public meeting. Members present: Council Chair Turner and Council Vice Chair Hawkins and Council Member Streeter.

10:00 A.M. - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

(SEE SEPARATE MINUTES)

11:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Turner at 11:08 a.m. with 11 members present at roll call.

Present: 11 - Chair Todd Turner
Member Monique Anderson-Walker
Member Derrick Davis
Member Thomas Dernoga
Member Mel Franklin
Member Dannielle Glaros
Member Sydney Harrison
Vice Chair Calvin S. Hawkins
Member Jolene Ivey
Member Rodney Streeter
Member Deni Taveras

Also present:

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council

Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant

Monica Best James, Legislative Officer

J. Kenneth Battle, Jr., Director, TIEE & General Assembly Committees

Terry Bell, Office of the County Executive

Amanda Denison, Office of Law

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was provided by Pastor Charles Whitaker, River of Life Church, Marlow Heights, Maryland. Council Member Harrison expressed hope that we can serve with love and humility and requested prayer for our soldiers, armed forces and their families. Council Member Taveras requested prayer for the family of Teresa Wilcox in her recent passing and also for the individuals affected by the fire in Langley Park involving 24 apartments. Council Member Ivey asked for prayers for the family of Cynthia Freeman, head of the Willow Hills Civic Association, who passed away the day after Christmas. Council Member Glaros requested prayer for the Vasquez family who lost a grandmother to violence last week and thanked our public safety officers in identifying the perpetrator. Additionally, Ms. Glaros asked that we pray for the individuals impacted by the fires in Australia. Council Member Dernoga requested prayer for the family of Geraldine Briscoe who passed away at the age of 91. Council Member Streeter requested prayer for Representative John Lewis and his family as

Mr. Lewis faces major health challenges. Council Member Hawkins asked that we keep all County employees, especially our teachers and those in public safety, in prayer as we enter the new year. Council Member Turner asked that we remember the family of Senator Ulysses Currie in his passing. Council Member Franklin asked that we pray for Delegate Jazz Lewis and family in the loss of his father.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Davis.

REQUESTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

The following individuals signed up to address the Council:

- 1. Dr. Henry S. Cole regarding the Mattawoman Energy Center*
- 2. JoAnne Flynn regarding the climate crisis, fossil fuels and the Mattawoman Energy Center*
- 3. Virginia Jones regarding Section 3-185.01 of the Animal Control Ordinance*
- 4. Amy Pergosky was also signed up to speak but was unable to attend.*

LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 1

1. CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of County Council Minutes

[MIN-11192019](#)

Draft 1

County Council Minutes dated November 19, 2019.

These Minutes were approved.

[MIN-12032019](#)

Draft 1

County Council Minutes dated December 3, 2019.

These Minutes were approved.

[Consent1-20](#)

Draft 1

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Harrison, seconded by Vice Chair Hawkins, that the Consent Agenda be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

2. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

No items were considered.

3. PROPOSED CORRESPONDENCE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT[LTR 01072020](#)

Draft 1

Proposed joint letter to the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor, the Honorable Bill Ferguson, Senate President and the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House transmitting the County's State Legislative Priorities for the 2020 General Assembly Session.

Attachment(s): [Final Legislative Priorities Letter](#)

No action was taken on this item.

[Add1-20](#)

Draft 1

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Davis, seconded by Member Taveras, that the Additions package be accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

[LTR-01072020b](#)

Draft 1

Proposed letter to The Honorable Guy Guzzone, Chair, Senate Budget & Tax Commission, transmitting the position of the Prince George's County Council on proposed State legislation.

Attachment(s): [Position Letter 1-7-20](#)
[SB 105 - SMRT Funding - Position Statement](#)

A motion was made by Member Harrison, seconded by Member Davis, that this Agenda Letter be authorized for Chair's signature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 11 - Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Member Davis, seconded by Member Taveras, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

11:30 A.M. - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CONTINUED) - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

(SEE SEPARATE MINUTES)

Prepared by:

Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council