



# Prince George's County Council

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

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Monday, May 18, 2020

1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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### CALL TO ORDER

*The meeting was convened at 1:23 p.m. with eleven members present.*

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

### LEGISLATION

[CR-014-2020](#)

Draft 1

#### **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ADEQUATE PUBLIC SAFETY**

**FACILITIES SURCHARGE** for the purpose of approving a partial waiver of the adequate public safety facilities surcharge for all residential units within Phase II of the mixed-use Amore Apollo Project.

**Sponsor(s)**: Turner, Davis, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Streeter and Taveras

**Attachment(s)**: [R2020014](#)  
[CR-014-2020 AIS](#)  
[CR-014-2020 Report](#)  
[CR-014-2020 Transmittal](#)

*Howard W. Stone, Director of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee provided a brief overview of the legislation. The Office of Law*

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*stated that stated that CR-014-2020 was in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. Sarah Cavitt provided electronic comments.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Franklin, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[CB-016-2020](#)

Draft 1

**AN EMERGENCY ACT CONCERNING LANDLORD-TENANT CODE - PROHIBITION OF RENT INCREASES, RENTAL TERMINATIONS AND LATE FEES DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS** for the purpose of amending the Landlord-Tenant Code to prohibit rent increases, rental terminations, or lockouts; and prohibit late fees or penalties from being charged during the COVID-19 state-wide emergency.

**Sponsor(s):** Ivey, Turner, Hawkins, Dernoga, Streeter, Harrison, Franklin, Glaros, Taveras and Anderson-Walker

**Attachment(s):** [B2020016](#)  
[CB-016-2020 AIS](#)  
[CB-016-2020 Report](#)

*1:44 p.m. - Jackie Brown, Director of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee provided an overview of the legislation. Tangie Thomas, Keona Scott, Quantane Higginbotham and Bruce Berreano signed up to speak. One electronic comment and three letters were submitted. Jackie Brown read the proposed amendments as outlined in Amendments number one and two. Monica Best-James, Legislative Officer, commented on the amendments. Council Member Ivey, as proposer of the legislation, provided further explanation of the proposed amendments. Estella Alexander, Director and Ray Gilley, Deputy Director, Department of Housing and Community Development were available for questions posed by Council Members. Council Members Glaros and Taveras offered additional amendments to the legislation. After much discussion, Council Chair Turner suggested that action on this item be moved to the end of the agenda to allow staff an opportunity to prepare a proposed draft two. The discussion on CB-16-2020 was recessed at 2:54 p.m. to be taken up again at the end of the agenda.*

[CR-035-2020](#)

Draft 1

**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION CONCERNING EMERGENCY OPERATIONS - PUBLIC MEETINGS, SESSIONS AND HEARINGS** for the purpose of postponement of County Council actions, providing for alternative public participation for meetings that are required to be held, and operations necessitated by the Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) public health emergency.

**Sponsor(s)**: Turner, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

**Attachment(s)**: [R2020035](#)  
[CR-035-2020 AIS](#)  
[CR-035-2020 Report](#)

*2:55 p.m. - Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator provided an overview of CR-35-2020. Raj Kumar, Principal Counsel, Maurene McNeill, Chief Zoning Hearing Examiner, Joyce Nichols, Zoning Hearing Examiner, Karen T. Zavakos, Legislative Officer and Dinora Hernandez, Legislative Officer, were available for questions posed by Council Members. Concluded at 3:15 p.m.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Dernoga, seconded by Council Member Streeter, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey and Streeter  
**Nay:** 1 - Glaros  
**Absent:** Taveras

**BRIEFINGS**

[CR-029-2020](#)

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR (“FY”) 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County Fiscal Year (“FY”) 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding eligible Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan.

**Sponsor(s)**: Turner, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

**Attachment(s):** [R2020029](#)  
[CR-029-2020 Attachment A](#)  
[CR-029-2020 Attachment B](#)  
[CR-029-2020 AIS](#)  
[CR-029-2020 Report](#)

*Panelists:*

*Estella Alexander, Director, DHCD*  
*Ray Gilley, Deputy Director, DHCD*  
*Adedamola "Funmi" George, Compliance Manager, DHCD*  
*Patricia Isaac, CDBG Entitlement Program Manager, DHCD*

*A briefing was provided by the Department of Housing and Community Development. No action was taken.*

**No action was taken.**

[CR-030-2020](#)

Draft 1

**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2016-2020  
CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT**

for the purpose of amending the Prince George's County Fiscal Year ("FY") 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development to modify its Citizen Participation Plan to include an expedited process for notice and reasonable opportunity to comment.

**Sponsor(s):** Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

**Attachment(s):** [R2020030](#)  
[CR-030-2020 Attachment A](#)  
[CR-030-2020 AIS](#)  
[CR-030-2020 Report](#)

*Panelists:*

*Estella Alexander, Director, DHCD*  
*Ray Gilley, Deputy Director, DHCD*  
*Adedamola "Funmi" George, Compliance Manager, DHCD*  
*Patricia Isaac, CDBG Entitlement Program Manager, DHCD*

*A briefing was provided by the Department of Housing and Community Development. No action was taken.*

**No action was taken.**

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RECESS

Draft 1

*THE MEETING RECESSED AT 3:25 P.M.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Ivey, seconded by Council Member Streeter, that the meeting be recessed. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.**

RECONVENE

*THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 4:19 P.M.*

[CB-016-2020](#)

Draft 1

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**Sponsor(s):** Ivey, Turner, Hawkins, Dernoga, Streeter, Harrison, Franklin, Glaros, Taveras and Anderson-Walker

**Attachment(s):** [B2020016](#)  
[CB-016-2020 AIS](#)  
[CB-016-2020 Report](#)

*Discussion on CB-16-2020 reconvened at 4:19 p.m. Monica Best-James, Legislative Officer provided a detailed explanation of CB-16-2020 Proposed Draft 2. The Office of the County Executive and the Office of Law provided comments. After much discussion and additional questions posed by Council Members, Council Chair Turner turned to Council Member Ivey for concluding comments committee recommendation. Concluded at 5:08 p.m.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Ivey, seconded by Council Member Streeter, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**ADJOURN**

*THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:09 P.M.*

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