



Prince George's County Council

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

Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Thursday, January 28, 2021

10:00 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING

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(THIS MEETING WAS RESCHEDULED FROM JANUARY 26, 2021)

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Calvin S. Hawkins, II at 10:00 a.m. with 9 members present. Council Member Franklin arrived at 10:03 a.m. and Council Member Streeter arrived at 10:14 a.m.

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

Also present:

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

William M. Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator

Colette Gresham, Associate Council Administrator

Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant
Leonard D. Moses, Zoning Assistant
Terry L. Bell, Council Liaison
Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison
Amanda Denison, Associate County Attorney
Monica B. James, Legislative Officer
J. Kenneth Battle, TIEE Committee Director
Dinora Hernandez, Legislative Officer
Karen Zavakos, Legislative & Zoning Counsel
Jackie Brown, PHED Committee Director
Kathy Canning, Legislative Officer
Leroy Maddox, Jr., Legislative Officer
Donna Whitman, Legislative Officer
James Walker-Bey, Zoning Reference Aide

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ITEMS

BILL UPDATES: STATEWIDE BILLS

- SB 121 / HB 51 – Environmental Justice Considerations (Continuation of 1/19 discussion)

(On 1/26/2021 a motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Davis to direct staff to draft letter to sponsors and Committee outlining Council's position. Motion carried 11-0.)

- SB 40 - Higher Education – Richard W. Collins III Leadership With Honor Scholarship – Bowie State (EHEA – 1/27, 11 a.m.)

(On 1/26/2021 a motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Davis to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 11-0.)

- SB 188 / HB 63 - State Finance – Prohibited Appropriations – Magnetic Levitation Transportation System (B&T – 1/27, 1 p.m.)

(On 1/26/2021 a motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Glaros to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 9-0. (Absent: Council Members Franklin and Harrison)

A motion to reconsider was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Anderson-Walker. The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Members Dernoga, Streeter and Franklin)

A motion to SUPPORT was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Anderson-Walker. The motion carried 8-0. (Absent: Council Members Davis, Streeter and Franklin)

- SB 97 - Purple Line Marketing Act (FIN – 1/27, 1 p.m.)

Motion was made by Council Member Taveras; seconded by Council Member Turner to SUPPORT. The motion carried 11-0. The County Executive takes no position on this bill.

- HB 314/ SB 223 - Plastic Bag Reduction Act (E&T – 1/28, 1:30 p.m.; FIN – 1/28, 1 p.m.)

Motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Glaros to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 10-0-1. (Abstain: Council Member Franklin). The County Executive supports this bill.

[Add15-21](#)

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Davis, to accept the General Assembly Additions Package. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

LOCAL BILL:

PG 416-21 - Prince George's County – Public Ethics – Definition of Application (HRG: 2/2 @ 5PM)

A motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Davis to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 10-0-1. (Abstained: Council Member Dernoga)

BILL UPDATES: LOCAL BILLS

Law Enforcement:

- PG 305-21 Vehicle Height Monitoring Systems (Williams) - Continuation of 1/19 discussion

Motion was made by Council Member Glaros; seconded by Council Member Turner to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 11-0. The County Executive supports this bill.

BILL UPDATES: BI-COUNTY

- 102-21 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Board of Ethics – Financial Disclosure Statements – Late Fees (WSSC)

Motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Streeter to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 11-0. The County Executive takes no position on this bill.

- 100-21 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Video Streaming and Archiving Meetings and Late Payment Charges (Charkoudian)

A motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Streeter to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 11-0. The County Executive takes no position on this bill.

- 101-21 Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Mandatory Referral Review (Carr, Crutchfield, Moon, Shetty & Solomon & Sen. Waldstreicher)

Motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Davis to SUPPORT this bill. The motion carried 11-0. The County Executive takes no position on this bill.

MACO UPDATES - Council Member Todd M. Turner

UPDATES PROVIDED

GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATES - Staff/Consultants

UPDATES PROVIDED

RECESS

THE MEETING RECESSED AT 11:09 A.M.

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Davis, to recess the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

1:30 P.M. - RECONVENE

THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:33 P.M.

APPOINTMENTS

[APPT-1-21](#)

Appointment of the following individual as Director of the Department of Corrections for Prince George's County:

Ms. Corenne D. Labbe'

Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison, introduced the nominee to the Committee of the Whole and spoke to her qualifications and credentials. Ms. Labbe' was present and spoke to her visions and areas of focus and responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding the plumbing, HVAC, technology upgrades, other budget considerations and precautions during the pandemic. The public hearing is scheduled Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Davis, seconded by Member Dernoga,

that this Appointment be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[APPT-2-21](#)

Appointment of the following individuals to the Board of Ethics for Prince George's County:

Ms. Melanie R. Barr-Brooks

Appointment

Replacing: Anne Magner (vacant)

Term Expiration: 12/23/2023

Ms. Charlene R. Gallion

Appointment

Replacing: Covette Rooney

Term Expiration: 12/1/2024

Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison introduced the nominees to the Council and spoke to their character and credentials. The nominees were present and spoke to their background and qualifications. The Public Hearing is scheduled Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Davis, seconded by Member Anderson-Walker, that the Appointment of Ms. Melanie R. Barr-Brooks be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Absent: Glaros

A motion was made by Member Davis, seconded by Member Streeter, that the Appointment of Ms. Charlene R. Gallion be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Absent: Glaros

LEGISLATION

[CB-002-2021](#)

Draft 1

AN ACT CONCERNING 2021-2022 COMPENSATION REVIEW BOARD for the purpose of establishing a Compensation Review Board to study the rate of current compensation and allowances for Council members and compensation for the County Executive and making recommendations regarding the amount of compensation in accordance with state and local laws, and generally relating to the Compensation Review Board.

Sponsor(s): Hawkins

Attachment(s): [B2021002.doc](#)
[CB-002-2021 AIS](#)
[CB-002-2021 Report](#)

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Harrison, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[CR-003-2021](#)

Draft 1

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING 2021-2022 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION - APPOINTMENTS for the purpose of making appointments of seven citizens to the 2021-2022 Charter Review Commission to undertake a comprehensive study of the Charter and to recommend appropriate changes to the County Charter, and generally relating to the Charter Review Commission.

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

Attachment(s): [R2021003](#)
[CR-003-2021 AIS](#)
[CR-003-2021 Report](#)

A motion was made by Member Harrison, seconded by Vice Chair Taveras, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Add19-21

MOTION FOR ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Ivey, seconded by Member Davis, to accept Additions Package 2. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[CR-007-2021](#)

Draft 2

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ACTS OF INSURGENCY - PRINCE

GEORGE'S COUNTY OFFICIALS for the purpose of urging and indicating support to the County Executive in directing and assisting the appropriate agencies including but not limited to federal, state and local authorities, to investigate, and issue a report on, whether any and all actions taken by Officials of Prince George's County or volunteer Officials of Prince George's County who participated in, aided, or abetted the violent and unlawful insurrection at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021 or similar actions for the January 20, 2021 Inauguration of the 46th President of the United States and for the days leading up thereto shall face sanction, including removal from their Official position, including volunteer positions.

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

Attachment(s): [R2021007](#)
[CR-007-2021 AIS](#)
[CR-007-2021 Report](#)
[CR-007-2021 OOL Comments](#)

Leroy D. Maddox, Legislative Officer provided an overview of the legislation, and explained the Draft 2 as proposed by the Office of Law. Draft 2 also removed any reporting requirements and clarified that "as a result of the insurrection at the United States Capitol, six individuals so far have lost their lives and many others were severely injured, including public safety officers".

A motion was made by Member Anderson-Walker, seconded by Vice Chair Taveras, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Absent: Davis

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Member Turner, seconded by Member Anderson-Walker, the meeting be adjourned The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner

Absent: Davis

General Assembly Participants:

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