



Howard County Council

George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043-4392

Legislative Work Session
Monday, January 22, 2018
C. Vernon Gray Room
4:30 p.m.

Minutes (Approved)

COUNCILMEMBERS

Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson
District 4
Calvin Ball, Vice Chairperson
District 2
Jon Weinstein
District 1
Jennifer Terrasa
District 3
Greg Fox
District 5

The Chairperson opened the work session at 4:34 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Vice Chairperson; Greg Fox; Jen Terrasa; Jon Weinstein.

Staff Present: Jessica Feldmark, Council Administrator; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; John Gwynn, Assistant County Solicitor

Tax Credit Legislation

Dr. Ball discussed his intent to work with the Administration on a single joint piece of legislation. Lonnie Robbins, John Butler, Gary Gardner, Bill McMahon, and Jack Kavanagh answered questions from the Council.

APFO-related Legislation

Larry Twele, Richard Clinch, Ed Steere gave a presentation on the economic and fiscal impact studies performed for the Economic Development Authority on the potential impact of Council Bill 1-2018 and answered questions from the Council and Auditor. Jeff Bronow joined them in answering questions.

Kirsten Coombs, Christina Delmont-Small, Mark Blom, Renee Kamen, and Bruce Gist discussed the Board of Education's testimony on Council Bill 1-2018 and answered questions from the Council.

Peter Engel and Regina Stone-Mitchell discussed the potential impact of the legislation on the progress of affordable housing projects and answered questions from the Council. Ned Howe joined them in answering questions.

Kirsten Coombs, Christina Delmont-Small, Mark Blom, Renee Kamen returned to answer questions regarding the challenges presented by exemptions from the schools test.

Josh Greenfeld addressed questions from the Council about the Anne Arundel County APFO legislation.

Council Members requested the following additional information:

- The specific language the State uses to describe adjacent schools;
- Comparison of how other jurisdictions with more restrictive APFOs address concerns about fair housing;
- Detail on what Baltimore County has done to address its fair housing issues; and
- Maps that show the impact of the APFO legislation Anne Arundel County recently passed.

The meeting was adjourned 8:34 p.m.