

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2026 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 11

Resolution No. 161 -2026

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Establishing - Surplus School Use Committee

Title: A RESOLUTION establishing a Surplus School Use Committee to study the disposition of property located at the Howard County Public School System Central Office, located along Md. Route 108; providing for a certain public meeting; providing for the Committee's membership, duties, and lifespan; setting certain deadlines; and generally relating to a Surplus School Use Committee.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2026.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2026.

By order _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted____, Adopted with amendments____, Failed____, Withdrawn____, by the County Council
on _____, 2026.

Certified By _____
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, the Howard County Board of Education is the owner of approximately
2 4.5815 acres of land now known as Lot 2 on the plat of resubdivison entitled "The Board of
3 Education of Howard County, Maryland, Lots 1 & 2 and Non-buildable Bulk Parcel A, a
4 Resubdivision of Parcel 100, "Plat for Grant of Forest Conservation Easements to Howard
5 County, Maryland" (Plat 14822)" and recorded among the Land Records of Howard County,
6 Maryland as Plat Numbers 27148-27150 and located at the Howard County Public School
7 System Central Office, located along Md. Route 108 (the "Board Property") that is no longer
8 needed for educational purposes and the Board of Education would like to transfer the site to
9 Howard County; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, the State Board of Public Works and the State Superintendent have
12 approved the proposed transfer; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, Section 4.202 of the Howard County Code requires the Howard County
15 Council to appoint a Surplus School Use Committee whenever a school site is no longer needed
16 for educational purposes; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, Section 4.202 of the Howard County Code further requires that the Surplus
19 School Use Committee recommend a disposition of the Board Property if the County Executive
20 determines that there is no County Government use for the site.

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22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
23 Maryland, this ____ day of _____, 2026, that there is a Surplus School Use
24 Committee.

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26 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Committee shall consist of:

27 (a) The following voting members, of which seven represent the areas of human
28 services, education, government, arts and culture, housing and the community,
29 and the remaining three are at-large members:

- 30 1. Tracy Broccolino;
31 2. Jolene Mosley;

3. Felix Facchine;
4. Samantha Cobb;
5. Coleen West;
6. Mary Ka Kanahan;
7. Lois Mikkila;
8. Katy Sedney;
9. Mariana Izraelson; and
10. Gene Mellin.

(b) The following non-voting officials or the official's designee:

1. Yosef Kebede, Department of Public Works;
2. Jackie Scott, Department of Community Resources and Services;
3. Peter Engel, Howard County Housing Commission;
4. Kelly Cimino, Department of Housing and Community Development;
5. Jennifer Jones, Economic Development Authority;
6. Louis Winston, Department of Fire and Rescue Services;
7. Holly Sun, Office of Budget; and
8. Opel Jones, County Council Chairperson, or Designee.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Section 4.202 of the Howard County Code:

- (a) If the County Executive decides that there is no County government use for Board Property, the County Executive shall inform the Council and:
 - (i) The Committee shall hold a public hearing to solicit specific proposals for the use of the property, such proposals may be submitted to the Committee during the meeting or within 30 days after the meeting.
 - (ii) Within 75 days after the public meeting, the Committee shall submit its final recommendations for disposition of the property to the Howard County Council.
- (b) If the County Executive decides that the County shall retain the property for County government use, the Committee need not meet or act.

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after the Surplus School Use Committee

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submits any required recommendations to the Howard County Council, the Committee shall

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terminate.