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## **County Council Of Howard County, Maryland**

2016 Legislative Session Legislative Day No. 8

## Bill No. 54-2016 (ZRA 170)

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

AN ACT requiring a new configuration of affordable housing in <u>Downton Downtown</u> Columbia under certain conditions with certain alternatives; amending and providing for certain parking requirements related to residential units in Downtown Columbia; providing certain requirements for certain plans; requiring that certain types of construction provide for art in the community; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations.

Introduced and read first time	first time, 2016. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.					
	By order					
	Jessica Feldmark, Administrator					
Having been posted and notice of time & place of hea for a second time at a public hearing on	aring & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read, 2016.					
	By order					
This Bill was read the third time on, 2	2016 and Passed, Passed with amendments, Failed					
	By order					
Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the Coua.m./p.m.	ounty Executive for approval thisday of, 2016 at					
	By order					
Approved/Vetoed by the County Executive	, 2016					
	Allan H. Kittleman, County Executive					

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.

WHEREAS, this Act amends Sections 125 and 133 of the Howard County
Zoning Regulations ("Zoning Regulations") in order to align with amendments made to
the Downtown Columbia Plan, a General Plan Amendment, that accomplish the goals of
providing a broad spectrum of affordable housing in Downtown Columbia; and
WHEREAS, on May 10, 2016, the Howard County Planning Board
recommended approval of the Zoning Regulations amendments included in this Act with
modifications and the Downtown Columbia Plan amendments with modifications.
NOW, THEREFORE,
Section 1. Be It Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the
Howard County Zoning Regulations are amended as follows:
1. By amending Section125.0.A.9.c of the Howard County Zoning Regulations.
42. By amending Section125.0.A.9.f(2) of the Howard County Zoning Regulations.
23. By adding Section 125.0.A.9.f(3) to the Howard County Zoning Regulations
34. By adding Section 125.0.A.9.f(4) to the Howard County Zoning Regulations
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4 <u>5</u> . By amending Section 125.0.H.3.g. of the Howard County Zoning Regulations
56 Py amending Section 133 0 F 3 Table 1 133 0 P and F of the Howard County
56. By amending Section 133.0.F.3. Table 1-133.0.B and F. of the Howard County  Zoning Regulations
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Howard County Zoning Regulations.
Section 125.0. NT (New Town) District
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A. Definitions, Requirements and Restrictions Applicable to NT Districts
9. Downtown Revitalization:

1	<u>c.</u>	Development Levels: The following maximum development level limits apply
2		to Downtown Columbia for Downtown Revitalization, except as qualified by
3		Sections 125.0.A.9.f.(1), (2) and (3).
4		(1) The maximum number of Downtown Net New dwellings permitted is
5		5,500 dwellings. The number of dwellings permitted under the Downtown
6		Revitalization Approval Process, up to a maximum of 5,500 Downtown
7		Net New dwellings, shall be in addition to the overall residential density
8		established by Section 125.0.A.4.
9		(2) Any dwelling within a Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC)
10		PROJECT OWNED WHOLLY OR IN PARTNERSHIP BY THE HOWARD COUNTY
11		HOUSING COMMISSION LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA IS EXEMPT
12		FROM THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF DOWNTOWN NET NEW DWELLING UNITS
13		ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 125.O.A.9.C(1). THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF
14		SUCH LIHTC DWELLINGS PERMITTED IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA IS 744.
15		[[(2)](3) The maximum amount of Downtown Net New commercial office
16		development permitted is 4,300,000 square feet of gross floor area.
17		[[(3)]](4) The maximum number of Downtown Net New hotel and motel
18		rooms permitted is 640 rooms.
19		[[(4)]](5) The maximum amount of Downtown Net New commercial retail
20		development permitted is 1,250,000 square feet of gross floor area.
21		[[(5)]](6) The maximum development levels permitted above for Downtown
22		Revitalization shall be in addition to the number of dwellings and gross
23		floor area of nonresidential uses shown on a Site Development Plan
24		approved prior to April 6, 2010.
25 26		(7) ARTS CENTERS, PUBLIC LIBRARIES, AND GOVERNMENT USES ARE NOT COUNTED TOWARD ANY OF THE DEVELOPMENT LEVELS LISTED ABOVE.
27	f.	Additional Requirements.
28		(2) Any Downtown Revitalization Development shall provide for art in the
29		community that is equivalent in value to 1% of the building construction
30		cost.
31		(a) Art must be provided:
32		(i) On site;

1	(ii) On other property located within Downtown Revitalization
2	development provided with the written consent of the owner of the
3	fee simple property; or
4	(iii)The petitioner may pay a fee in-lieu of providing art on-site that is
5	equivalent in value to 1% of the building construction cost.
6	(b) Art may be provided in combination with other Downtown
7	Revitalization Developments.
8	(c) Each in-lieu fee must be paid prior to issuance of a use and occupancy
9	permit for the first building in the project that generates the
10	requirement, and the collected funds must be used to provide art on
11	property within Downtown Revitalization Developments.
12	(d) If the value of the art provided on site or in combination with other
13	projects exceeds 1% of the building construction cost, then the excess
14	value beyond 1% can be credited towards the requirements of this
15	subsection for a subsequent-Final Development Plan subject to the
16	procedures and requirements set forth in this subsection.
17	(e) The following construction projects are not subject to the requirements
18	of this section:
19	[[(i) Construction of Moderate Income Housing Units.]]
20	[[(ii)]](I)Construction of places of worship and their accessory uses.
21	[[(iii)]](II) Renovations to existing or construction of new cultural
22	facilities which include facilities located within a Downtown Arts
23	and Entertainment Park, Downtown Arts, Cultural and Community
24	Uses, and Downtown Community Commons.
25	[[(iv)]](III) Parking Structures.
26	[[(v)]](IV) Renovations to existing buildings or structures required by
27	government mandated code compliance construction projects, such
28	as projects exclusively designed for compliance with the
29	Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), the Maryland
30	Accessibility Code, the National Fire Protection Association
31	(NFPA) Life Safety Code, and/or fire sprinkler retrofits.

1	(3) Any Affordable Dwelling Unit located in Downtown Columbia is
2	EXEMPT FROM THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF DOWNTOWN NET NEW
3	DWELLING UNITS ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 125.O.A.9.c(1). FOR PURPOSES
4	OF THIS SECTION, AN "AFFORDABLE DWELLING UNIT" IS ANY DWELLING
5	UNIT THAT IS RESTRICTED BY HOWARD COUNTY'S MODERATE INCOME
6	Housing Unit program set forth in Title 13, Subtitle 4 of the
7	HOWARD COUNTY CODE, A DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
8	AGREEMENT, OR RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT IS ENFORCEABLE BY THE
9	COUNTY FOR A TERM OF NOT LESS THAN 40 YEARS, SUCH THAT THE UNIT
10	MUST BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR OCCUPANCY BY A HOUSEHOLD WITH AN
11	INCOME OF NOT MORE THAN 80% OF THE HOWARD COUNTY AREA MEDIAN
12	INCOME.
13	(4) Except as provided in paragraph (5) of this Subsection, depending
14	ON THE NUMBER OF STORIES IN A BUILDING, A DEVELOPER SHALL PROVIDE
15	THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM UNITS AS AFFORDABLE AS DEFINED BY HOWARD
16	County's Moderate Income Housing Unit program, of which 3%
17	SHALL BE SET ASIDE FOR HOUSEHOLDS WHO WORK WITHIN 5 MILES OF THE
18	LIMITS OF DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA AS DETERMINED BY REGULATIONS OF
19	THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:
20	(a) 13% of all Net New dwelling units in buildings with 5 or
21	FEWER STORIES; AND
22	(B) 10% in buildings with greater than 5 stories.
23	(5) PARAGRAPH (4) SHALL NOT APPLY IF:
24	(A) A DEVELOPER OF DWELLING UNITS OFFERED FOR SALE, AT ITS OPTION,
25	PAYS A PER UNIT PAYMENT TO THE DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA
26	COMMUNITY HOUSING FOUNDATION ("DCCHF") IN THE AMOUNTS SET
27	FORTH IN TITLE 28, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE HOWARD COUNTY CODE AND
28	THIS PAYMENT SHALL BE:
29	I. IMPOSED UPON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY BUILDING PERMIT FOR A
30	BUILDING CONTAINING DWELLING UNITS OFFERED FOR SALE;
31	<del>AND</del>

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2	<del>DEVELOPER; OR</del>
3	(B) THE COUNTY DETERMINES THAT THE PURPOSES OF THE AFFORDABLE
4	HOUSING REQUIREMENTS OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS AND TITLE 13,
5	Subtitle 4 of the Howard County Code will be served to a
6	GREATER EXTENT BY ENTERING INTO A DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND
7	RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT WITH THE DEVELOPER IN ACCORDANCE
8	WITH TITLE 16, SUBTITLE 17 OF THE HOWARD COUNTY CODE.
9	(3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A
10	DEVELOPER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS SHALL PROVIDE AFFORDABLE UNITS AS
11	FOLLOWS:
12	(A) 15% of all Net New dwelling units in buildings with 5 or
13	FEWER STORIES OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS SHALL BE AFFORDABLE AS
14	DEFINED BY HOWARD COUNTY'S MODERATE INCOME HOUSING
15	Unit program set forth in Title 13, Subtitle 4 of the
16	HOWARD COUNTY CODE;
17	(B) 12% of all Net New dwelling units in buildings with
18	GREATER THAN 5 STORIES OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS SHALL BE
19	AFFORDABLE AS DEFINED BY HOWARD COUNTY'S MODERATE
20	INCOME HOUSING UNIT PROGRAM SET FORTH IN TITLE 13, SUBTITLE
21	4 OF THE HOWARD COUNTY CODE;
22	(C) A DEVELOPER OF RENTAL UNITS MAY NOT UTILIZE OPTIONAL
23	METHODS OR ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION
24	13.402 OF THE HOWARD COUNTY CODE AND SHALL PROVIDE ALL OF
25	THE AFFORDABLE UNITS:
26	(I) ON THE SITE OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT;
27	(II) IN THE SAME RATIO OF UNIT TYPES AS PROPOSED FOR THE
28	DEVELOPMENT; AND
29	(III) EVENLY DISTRIBUTED WITHIN EACH PHASE OF
30	DEVELOPMENT; AND

1	(D) A DEVELOPER OF UNITS OFFERED FOR SALE MAY, IF APPROVED,
2	UTILIZE OPTIONAL METHODS OR ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE AS
3	DESCRIBED IN SECTION 13.402 OF THE HOWARD COUNTY CODE.
4	(4) PARAGRAPH (3) SHALL NOT APPLY IF THE COUNTY DETERMINES THAT THE
5	PURPOSES OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS OF THE ZONING
6	REGULATIONS AND TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE HOWARD COUNTY CODE
7	WILL BE SERVED TO A GREATER EXTENT BY ENTERING INTO A
8	DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT WITH THE
9	DEVELOPER IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 16, SUBTITLE 17 OF THE HOWARD
10	COUNTY CODE IF THE PROPERTY IS IDENTIFIED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
11	AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN AN APPROVED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND
12	RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT AND APPROPRIATE COVENANTS ARE
13	RECORDED AGAINST THE PROPERTY CONSISTENT WITH THE AGREEMENT. IF
14	A DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT IS APPROVED
15	AND SUBSEQUENTLY TERMINATED, ALL DEVELOPMENT FOR WHICH A SITE
16	DEVELOPMENT PLAN HAS NOT RECEIVED TECHNICALLY COMPLETE
17	APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE DATE ON WHICH THE DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND
18	RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT IS TERMINATED SHALL COMPLY FULLY WITH
19	THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (3) REGARDLESS OF THE
20	NUMBER OF AFFORDABLE UNITS DEVELOPED UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT
21	RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT. DEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO
22	A SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN WHICH RECEIVED TECHNICALLY COMPLETE
23	APPROVAL BEFORE THE TERMINATION OF THE DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AND
24	RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT
25	RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT.
26	H. Site Development Plan—Downtown Revitalization
27	3. Planning Board Review and Approval Criteria.
28	The Planning Board shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny a
29	Site Development Plan that proposes Downtown Revitalization based on whether
30	the petition satisfies the following criteria:

1	g. Th	e Site Development Plan satisfies the affordable housing requirements in
2	acc	cordance with the approved Final Development Plan AND SUBSECTION
3	A.	9.F(43) of this Section.
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5		Howard County Zoning Regulations.
6		Section 133.0: - Off-Street Parking and Loading Facilities.
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8	B. Layou	t and Location
9	<u>1.</u>	Off-street parking and loading facilities required by these Regulations
10		shall be provided on the same lot with such structure or land use, unless
11		parking is provided on a different lot in accordance with this section.
12	<u>2.</u>	Off-street parking and loading spaces required for structures or land uses
13		on two or more adjoining lots may be provided in a single common
14		facility on one or more of said lots; provided said lots are in the same
15		zoning district and are owned in common, or are subject to recorded
16		covenants or easements for parking. For purposes of this section, lots
17		which are divided by a public street right-of-way are not deemed to be
18		adjoining.
19	<u>3.</u>	The location of parking for multifamily residences shall be in accordance
20		with Section 16.120(b) of the Subdivision and Land Development
21		Regulations.
22	<u>4.</u>	Required minimum parking may be provided on a separate lot from the
23		principal use if:
24	<u>a.</u>	For residential uses, the location and distribution of parking spaces
25		complies with the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations;
26	<u>b.</u>	For nonresidential uses, the major point of pedestrian access to the parking
27		facility is within 400 feet of the entrance to the building. This requirement
28		does not apply to Downtown Revitalization;

1	<u>c.</u>	The parking facility is within a zoning district in which the use being
2		served by the parking facility is permitted;
3	<u>d.</u>	The parking facility is not separated from the use being served by a public
4		street. This requirement does not apply to Downtown Revitalization;
5	e.	The parking facility is subject to recorded covenants or easements for
6		parking, or other proof is provided that the continued use of the parking
7		area is guaranteed throughout the life of the land use.
8	5.	IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA, NO MORE THAN 10% OF THE REQUIRED OFF-
9		STREET PARKING SHALL BE SATISFIED WITH SURFACE PARKING. HOWEVER,
10		THE PLANNING BOARD MAY APPROVE EXCEPTIONS FOR TEMPORARY
11		PARKING AS PART OF A PHASED DEVELOPMENT PLAN. THE PLANNING
12		BOARD MAY APPROVE EXTENSIONS UPON SUBMISSION OF A REVISED
13		PHASING PLAN.
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15	F. Permitted	Reductions in Off-street Parking Requirements
16	3. Down	town Revitalization
17	Off-st	reet parking and loading facilities for Downtown Revitalization shall be
18	provid	led in accordance with the following shared parking methodology and
19	parkin	ng ratios:
20	a. Th	ne methodology for determining the shared parking demand consists of the
21	fol	llowing steps and is described in the following paragraphs:
22	(1)	Determine individual weekday and weekend peak parking ratios for each
23		land use.
24	(2)	Determine the number of reserved parking spaces for each use.
25	(3)	Select time-of-day and monthly parking variation factors.
26	(4)	Adjust parking ratios for modal split, auto occupancy, and captive market
27		effects.
28	(5)	Calculate the hourly parking demand for weekdays and weekends for each
29		month

1	Step 1: Determine individual weekday and weekend peak parking rations
2	for each land use.
3	Table 1 presents the base parking ratios for weekdays and weekends.
4	These ratios must be used unless the petitioner provides reasonable
5	justification for use of alternative ratio(s) that will not be detrimental to
6	the public welfare. A DEVELOPER MAY SUBMIT A PARKING STUDY AS
7	JUSTIFICATION FOR ALTERNATIVE RATIO(S) FOR APPROVAL BY THE
8	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF A SITE
9	DEVELOPMENT PLAN. For land uses not listed in Table 1, data from the
10	current edition of "Parking Generation" (ITE), "Shared Parking" (ULI),
11	the Howard County Zoning Regulations, or other applicable sources may
12	be used.
13	Step 2: Determine the number of reserved parking spaces for each use.
14	A significant proportion of residential parking spaces are typically
15	reserved, due to market and security requirements. Some portion of office,
16	retail, hotel, or other uses may require reserved spaces for some portion of
17	the day. These reserved spaces should be outlined and specified by land
18	use on an hourly basis.
19	Step 3: Select time-of-day and monthly parking variation factors.
20	The time-of-day adjustment factors for weekdays and weekends are shown
21	in Tables 2 and 3, respectively. Table 4 shows the monthly adjustment
22	factors for customer and visitor parking, while Table 5 includes the
23	monthly adjustment factors for employees. These typical factors are taken
24	from the ULI Shared Parking Manual and may be modified based on other
25	published data or independent studies to ensure accuracy for specific land
26	uses or circumstances.
27	Step 4: Adjust parking ratios for modal split, auto occupancy, and captive
28	market effects.
29	Modal split, auto occupancy, and captive market effects will be different
30	for each Downtown Revitalization development. Modal splits and auto
31	occupancy can be determined through U.S. Census journey-to-work data,

1 patron surveys, or other local data, and can be adjusted to reflect future 2 conditions. 3 Non-captive adjustments reflect the proportion of users that are not already parked nearby for a primary purpose. These adjustments for 4 captive market effects should only be applied to simultaneous trips, not 5 sequential trips. For example, an office worker who walks across the street 6 7 for a snack during the day is part of the captive market, while a couple 8 who has dinner before a movie is not. Table 6 includes sample non-captive 9 adjustment factors for weekdays and can be modified based on the characteristics of the land use and surroundings. 10 Step 5: Calculate the hourly parking demand for weekdays and weekends 11 for each month. 12 The individual parking demands for each land use during each time period 13 are then computed by multiplying the parking ratios (adjusted for modal 14 15 split, auto occupancy, and captive market effects) by the time-of-day and monthly variation factors. No adjustment factors or variation factors are 16 applied to reserved parking spaces. 17 18 The sum of the adjusted parking demands for each land use are then compared for each scenario (each hour of each day of each month), and 19 the maximum total parking demand represents the shared parking 20 21 requirement for the project. 22 Table 1 23 Howard County Shared Parking Methodology

Land Use	Weekday		Weekend		Unit
Zana ese	Visitor	Employee	Visitor	Employee	
General Retail/Personal Service	2.90	0.70	3.20	0.80	/ksf GLA
Shopping Center	3.20	0.80	3.60	0.90	/ksf

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**Base Parking Ratios** 

					GLA
Restaurants, standard, and beverage establishments	15.25	2.75	17.00	3.00	
Fast Food Restaurant	12.75	2.25	12.00	2.00	/ksf GLA
Cinema	0.19	0.01	0.26	0.01	/seat
Performing Arts Theater	0.30	0.07	0.33	0.07	/seat
Health Club	6.60	0.40	5.50	0.25	/ksf GLA
Hotel	0.90	0.25	1.00	0.18	/room
Restaurant/Lounge	10.00		10.00		/ksf GLA
Conference Ctr./Banquet (20 to 50 sq ft/guest room)	30.00		30.00		/ksf GLA
Convention Space (>50 sq ft/guest room)	20.00		10.00		/ksf GLA
Residential Unit (1) Studio and One- Bedroom Units	0.15	[[1.50]] 1.15	0.15	[[1.50]] 1.15	<del>/unit</del>
Residential(1)	0.15	1.50	0.15	1.50	<u>/unit</u>
RESIDENTIAL UNIT (1) TWO OR MORE BEDROOMS	0.15	1.50	0.15	1.50	/UNIT
General Office up to 100 ksf	0.275	3.30	0.028	0.33	/ksf GLA
General Office over 100 ksf	0.20	2.60	0.02	0.26	/ksf

					GLA
Medical/Dental Office	3.00	1.50	3.00	1.50	/ksf GLA

Note(s):	(1) 1.0 space reserved for residents' sole use; remainder may be shared.		
	(2) For all other land uses, data from the current edition of "Parking Generation"		
	(ITE), "Shared Parking" (ULI), the Howard County Zoning Regulations or other		
	applicable sources may be used.		

- 4 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County,
- 5 Maryland, that this Act shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.