

Sayers, Margery

From: Chris Mason <Chris.Mason.585938426@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, February 2, 2023 9:24 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Please vote no on Bill 5-2023!

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Dear Council Members,

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Regards,
Chris Mason
116 N Commerce St
Centreville, MD 21617

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Andy Hesson
22945 E Piney Grove Rd
Georgetown, DE 19947

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From: joel hurewitz <joelhurewitz@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 2:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Kuc, Gary
Subject: CB5-2023 Technical Amendments Needed

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Dear Councilmembers,

There is a "codification" issue with CB5-2023 but not the one discussed at the Work Session.

The timing for the report is in the uncodified Section 2. So after December 29, 2023, of what value is the codified Section 1? People will read the section in future years anticipating a report. From Councilmember Yungmann's questions and the testimony of Director Francis, we learned that much of this analysis would be completed anyway. "Why not just ask?" Councilmember Yungmann said. Perhaps, a resolution rather than a bill would have been sufficient, yet it is a bill that is before the Council.

Therefore, either the date in Section 2 should be moved to the codified Section 1 or the provision should be abrogated --perhaps 30 or 60 days after the report is received or when DILP presents the 2024 Building Code to the Council for consideration. Otherwise, the County Code will have a functionally dead provision.

Furthermore, the subtitle should be "Comprehensive Building Decarbonization" rather than "Miscellaneous."

Unfortunately, though I have tried numerous times, D3 has not provided a clear response regarding any amendments for the past month.

Sincerely,

Joel Hurewitz
Columbia, MD

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From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 3:06 PM
To: gailholm@gmail.com
Subject: Council - Please support CB5-2023

First Name: Gail
Last Name: Holm
Email: gailholm@gmail.com
Street Address: 10081 Fair Beauty
City: Columbia
Subject: Please support CB5-2023

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to support CB5-2023, the Clean New Buildings Climate Act. I've lived in a house in Howard County for 36 years. Our heat and all of our appliances are powered by electricity. Until recently, I thought that this was the case for most homes and buildings in our County. I now realize that many existing homes, apartments and other buildings use fuels that put a significant amount of greenhouse gases into our air and I am very concerned. Howard County continues to grow. New construction of homes and other buildings is a given. The Climate Crisis unfortunately, is also a given. Future buildings and homes that are fueled by propane and methane will only accelerate the level of greenhouse gases and climate change for many many years after construction. Climate change is real. The harmful effects of gas appliances and heating on health are real. We must take action to reduce carbon emissions. Washington, D.C. has done it. Montgomery County has done it. I hope Howard County will be next. Again, I urge you to support CB5-2023 and allow the revision of the Howard Count building code to require most new construction to use only electricity for heat and power for appliances. I urge you to do this now for our children and for generations to come. Sincerely, Gail P. Holm

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From: Julie Stuck <Julie.Stuck.485036851@p2a.co>
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 2:10 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Regards,
Julie Stuck
350 W Liberty St
Oakland, MD 21550

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From: Oakland Propane <Oakland.Propane.536521404@p2a.co>
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Oakland Propane
350 W Liberty St
Oakland, MD 21550

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Stanley Chatham
4631 Everlea Ct
Preston, MD 21655

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Mark Callahan
8338 New Bridge Estates Rd
Denton, MD 21629

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Regards,
Eric Gray
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Oakland, MD 21550



January 28, 2023

Dear Howard County Council Members,

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We, **the 16 undersigned organizations and 115 constituents**, are writing to ask you to support CB5-2023. Last year was the hottest year on record in most of Europe, and among the hottest globally. The United States had at least 15 billion-dollar weather-related disasters last year, twice the 40-year average, including one of the largest and most destructive hurricanes ever. The American West is suffering its worst drought in at least 1200 years. Greenhouse gases in the atmosphere continue to rise.

Howard County can be part of the solution to our climate crisis. According to the county greenhouse gas inventory, 11% of the county's emissions come directly from burning methane gas or propane in furnaces and appliances in buildings. The county's draft Climate Action Plan says that, without action, emissions are projected to rise because of population growth. Construction of new homes and buildings follows population growth and, without action, building emissions will continue to increase.

The CB5-2023 bill requiring the report is essential if we are to stop burning fossil fuels in new buildings. Moreover, the warming effect is long-lasting: A new gas boiler, furnace, or hot water heater installed in the next few years will continue to emit greenhouse gases for decades. As environmentalist Bill McKibben says: "When you are in a hole, stop digging!"

In addition to reducing greenhouse gases, electrification of new buildings will benefit Howard County residents' pocketbooks and health.

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Accumulating evidence also shows that indoor gas combustion is a significant public health risk. Both the American Medical Association and the American Public Health Association have passed resolutions warning against gas stoves and cooktops, and the Consumer Product Safety Commission is considering banning sales of new gas cooking appliances. A peer-reviewed study published in December 2022 in the International Journal

of Environmental Research and Public Health found that "12.7% of current childhood asthma in the US is attributable to gas stove use." Howard County residents deserve better.

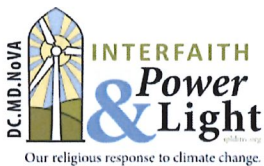
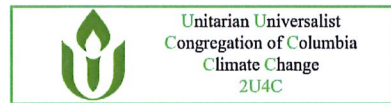
We urge your support for CB5-2023.

Sincerely,

Organizations

[Baltimore Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church, Legislative Team & Creation Care Team](#)
[CASA](#)
[Chesapeake Climate Action Network](#)
[Citizens' Climate Lobby Howard County](#)
[Columbia Democratic Club](#)
[Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Scaggsville](#)
[HoCo Climate Action](#)

[Howard County Sierra Club](#)
[Indivisible Howard County](#)
[InterFaith Power & Light \(DC.MD.NoVA\)](#)
[Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake](#)
[Jewish Community Relations Council, JFHC](#)
[Safe Skies Maryland](#)
[Sunrise Movement Howard County](#)
[Transition Howard County](#)
[UU Congregation of Columbia Climate Crisis Team](#)



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Lindsay Estes
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Alec Weinberg
Kathy Woods
Lauren Kazlow
Ruth White
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Marjorie Reyes
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Sayers, Margery

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