

# County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2023 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 7

## Resolution No. 103 -2023

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

A RESOLUTION amending previously adopted Resolutions to correct the term of appointments to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.

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Introduced and read first time June 5, 2023.

By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on June 20, 2023.

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This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments , Failed , Withdrawn , by the County Council on July 5, 2023.

Certified By Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

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1       **WHEREAS**, on June 3, 2019, the Council Resolution No. 56-2019 was passed that  
2 appointed William Rovito to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority for  
3 a term to expire on January 2, 2024; and  
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5       **WHEREAS**, on July 5, 2022, the Council Resolution No. 95-2022 was passed that confirmed  
6 the appointment of Daria J. Willis to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority  
7 for a term to expire on July 5, 2025; and  
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9       **WHEREAS**, authority for the Economic Development Authority’s Board of Directors is  
10 contained in Title 26, Subtitle 1 of the Howard County Code and is a Public Local Law adopted by  
11 the General Assembly; and  
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13       **WHEREAS**, terms for members of the Board of Directors are 4 years as provided in ~~26.106~~  
14 Section 26.102 of the Howard County Code; and  
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16       **WHEREAS**, Mr. Rovito was not serving the remainder of another appointee’s vacancy and his  
17 term should have been ended June 3, 2023; and  
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19       **WHEREAS**, Ms. Willis was serving the remainder of another appointee’s vacancy that should  
20 have ended on June 1, 2024 and, accordingly, Ms. Willis’ term should end June 1, 2024.  
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22       **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the County Council of Howard County,  
23 Maryland this 5 day of July, 2023 that the following changes are made to  
24 appointments to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority:

- 25           1. The appointment of William Rovito, as approved in Resolution No. 56-2019, shall end on  
26           June 3, 2023
- 27           2. The appointment of Daria J. Willis, as approved in Resolution No. 95-2022, shall end on June  
28           1, 2024




# Howard County

## Internal Memorandum

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SUBJECT-- Testimony for Council Resolution correcting two appointments to the Economic Development Authority Board of Directors

TO: Brandee Ganz  
Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Jennifer Sager   
Legislative Coordinator

This Resolution corrects two previously approved Resolutions appointing members to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority (EDA). Those Resolutions are Council Resolution No. 56-2019 that appointed William Rovito and Council Resolution No. 95-2022 that appointed Daria J. Willis.

Provisions governing the EDA are adopted by the General Assembly and codified at Title 26, Subtitle 1 of the County Code. Section 26.102 of the County Code provides as follows:

(d) Terms of Office:

- (1) (i) Except for the ex officio nonvoting member, board members shall serve staggered terms of four years, as required by the terms provided for members of the Board of July 1, 1993.
- (ii) At the end of a term, a board member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
- (2) A board member who is appointed to complete an unexpired term, serves only for the rest of that term or until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
- (3) A member may not be reappointed after having served eight or more consecutive years immediately before appointment.

The appointment of William Rovito extended beyond 4 years and the appointment of Daria Willis did not reflect that she was serving the remainder of a 4-year term. The intent of this legislation is to correct those two appointments. Following passage of this Resolution, Mr. Rovito's term will end on June 3, 2023 but, per Section 26.102(d)(1)(ii), he will serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

### Fiscal Impact

This legislation is corrective and there is no fiscal impact.

Amendment 1 to Council Resolution No. 103-2023

BY: The Chairperson at the request  
of the County Executive

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Date: July 5, 2023

Amendment No. 1

*(This amendment corrects a cross reference.)*

- 1 On page 1, in line 13, strike “26.106” and substitute “Section 26.102”.

I certify this is a true copy of  
Am 1 to CR 103-2023  
passed on July 5, 2023,  
Michelle Harris  
Council Administrator

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