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Dear Councilmembers,

As I testified, contrary to the provisions in CR135-2023 and CR150-2023, Section 703 of the Howard County Charter is in reference to the Personnel Board and not the Housing Commission. As shown below, the Administration has no documents which reference the Housing Commission in the County Charter.

Furthermore, unless there is a State law that specifies the terms of the commissioners, the terms per the Howard County Charter should be three years, not five.

I am very disappointed that there appear to be no amendments posted to these resolutions.

Joel Hurewitz



September 21, 2023

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Dear Ms./Mr. Hurewitz,

The following is in response to your email to Howard County Government's Office of Public Information, requesting information in accordance with the Maryland Public Information Act, 4-101 et seq. of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (the "PIA"), which this office received 09-07-2023.

Specifically, you asked for "please provide documents which show which provisions (if any) of the Howard County Charter, including but not limited to Section 703, reference the "Housing Commission" or the terms of office for the appointees to the Housing Commission board. "

Please note, the PIA grants you the right to review responsive and available public records that are not otherwise exempted from disclosure, and to obtain copies of those records. A "public record," within the meaning of the PIA, is the original or copy of any documentary material in any form created or received by an agency in connection with the transaction of public business. Accordingly, a party responding to a PIA request is not required to answer questions or fill out paperwork.

The County has no records responsive to your request. However, your request can be found on the link below. https://library.municode.com/md/howard_county/codes/code_of_ordinances

While Howard County has the right under the Public Information Act to charge you for search time in excess of two hours, no more than two hours was expended on your request.

Pursuant to MPIA § 4-362, you are entitled to seek judicial review of this decision by filing a complaint in the Circuit Court for Howard County or the Circuit Court in Maryland in the County where you reside or maintain a principal place of business. You may also refer any concerns about this decision to the Public Access Ombudsman pursuant to MPIA § 4-1B-01 et seq.

Sincerely,
Keyonna Kinsler



