



Howard County Council

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Minutes (Approved)
Legislative Public Hearing
September 18, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
Banneker Room

Members Present: Jon Weinstein, Council Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Vice Chairperson; Greg Fox, Council Member; Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Member; and Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member.

Staff Present: Jessica Feldmark, Administrator; Jennifer Sager, Administration; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; John Gwynn, Assistant County Solicitor; and Kel Habicht, Administrative Support.

- I. Call to Order at 6:05 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Chair Jon Weinstein.
- III. Allow the reading of bills by short title.

Jon Weinstein, Chairperson moved to approve to allow the reading of bills by short title, seconded by Calvin Ball, Vice Chairperson.

The motion carried as follows

AYES: Jon Weinstein, Council Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Council Vice Chairperson; Greg Fox, Council Member; Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Member; and Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member

IV. Legislation - Public Hearing

A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 114-2017 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Steven J. Plakitsis to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

- a. Steven Plakitsis - 7121 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia, MD
2. Council Resolution 118-2017 - Introduced by: Chairperson - A RESOLUTION appointing Neveen H. Kurtom, Esq. to the Board of Appeals of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on December 31, 2021.
 - a. Neveen Kurtom - 4552 College Avenue, Ellicott City, MD
3. Council Resolution 119-2017 - Introduced by: Jon Weinstein - A RESOLUTION creating an Economic Opportunity and Prosperity Task Force to identify and study policies, programs, and potential legislation to facilitate economic growth and increase economic opportunities for individuals, businesses, and organizations in Howard County and to make recommendations to the Howard County Council and Howard County Executive.
 - a. Phyllis Madachy - 8410 Adderley Avenue, Ellicott City, MD
 - b. Hiruy Hadgu - 8763 Lincoln Street, Savage, MD
 - c. Jay Parekh - 3730 Garand Road, Ellicott City, MD
4. Council Resolution 115-2017 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Perry Priestly as a member of the Cable Advisory Committee.
5. Council Resolution 116-2017 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Frederick W. Dorsey to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.
6. Council Resolution 117-2017 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Mitchell W. Stringer to the Pension Oversight Commission.

B. General

1. Council Bill 63-2017 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$200,000,000 consolidated public improvement bonds and up to \$100,000,000 metropolitan district bonds, pursuant to various bond enabling laws; providing that such bonds shall be general obligations of the County; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for or approve the final principal amounts, maturity schedules, interest rates and redemption

provisions for such bonds, and other matters, details, forms, documents or procedures and to determine the method of sale of such bonds; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of such bonds and for the levying of taxes to pay debt service on such bonds; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

a. Nikki Griffith, Fiscal Manager, Department of Finance

2. The Administrator read Council Bills 64-, 65-, and 66-2017 together.

- Council Bill 64-2017 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the International Association of Firefighters – Howard County Local 2000, that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 “Human Resources” of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; approving a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the International Association of Firefighters – Howard County Local 2000 that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2019 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the International Association of Firefighters – Howard County Local 2000.
- Council Bill 65-2017 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the FOP Lodge 143, Howard County Police Supervisor’s Alliance, that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 “Human Resources” of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; approving a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the FOP Lodge 143, Howard County Police Supervisor’s Alliance that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2019 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the FOP Lodge 143.
- Council Bill 66-2017 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officer’s Association, Lodge 21, that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 “Human Resources” of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; approving a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officer’s Association, Lodge 21 that will be effective through the end of Fiscal

Year 2019 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officer's Association, Lodge 21.

- a. John Petersen, Deputy Administrator, Office of Human Resources
 - b. Bruce Bennett, Vice President, Howard County Professional Fire Fighters - 920 Clear View Road, Union Bridge, MD
 - c. Jorge Tirigall
3. Council Bill 67-2017 - AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County in accordance with certain recently negotiated collective bargaining agreements; providing for certain specialty pays; providing for the application of certain pay schedules; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.
- a. Stacey Simmons, Administrative Analyst, Office of Human Resources
4. Council Bill 70-2017 - Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and Jon Weinstein - AN ACT establishing a personal property tax exemption for property of a business located in a historic district or a National Register District, under certain conditions; providing for an application procedure and administration of the exemption; and generally relating to personal property tax exemptions.
- a. Phil Nichols, Department of County Administration
 - b. Karen Besson, Board President, Ellicott City Partnership
5. Council Bill 71-2017 - AN ACT adopting the 2017 National Electrical Code as the Electrical Code for Howard County; regulating the design, construction, alteration, improvement or modification to electrical equipment; adopting certain local amendments to the Electrical Code; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the electrical code in Howard County.
- a. Bob Frances, Director, Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits
6. The Administrator read Council Bill 72-2017 and Council Resolution 120-2017 together.

- Council Bill 72-2017 - AN ACT amending the Purchasing Code of Howard County; amending certain definitions; removing certain obsolete references; revising certain duties imposed on the County Purchasing Agent, including the content of a required annual report and the frequency with which the purchasing manual must be reviewed; clarifying that certain requirements apply to formal bids; clarifying the County Purchasing Agent's role in the sale or lease of surplus County property to other governmental entities; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Purchasing Code of Howard County.

- Council Resolution 120-2017 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.104 of the Howard County Code, approving a revised Purchasing Manual that governs the internal operating procedures of the County purchasing system.
 - a. Dean Hof, Purchasing Administrator, Purchasing Department

- 7. Council Resolution 122-2017 - A RESOLUTION endorsing the provision of financing by the State Department of Commerce for an economic development project in Howard County and certifying that the project is consistent with the County's plan for economic development.
 - a. Vernon Thompson, Executive Vice President, Howard County Economic Development Authority

- 8. Council Bill 73-2017 - Introduced by: Jennifer Terrasa and Calvin Ball - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to require that Department of Planning and Zoning Technical Staff Reports and Planning Board Recommendations be submitted to the County Council prior to the addition of any land use legislation to the Council's Legislative Agenda; and generally relating to land use legislation.
 - a. Stu Kohn, President, Howard County Citizens Association - 8709 Yellow Bird Court, Laurel, MD
 - b. Joanne Heckman, The People's Voice - 3205B Corporate Court, Ellicott City, MD

- 9. Council Resolution 123-2017 - AN ACT declaring that a total of approximately 387 square feet of real property located adjacent to South Entrance Road in Columbia is no longer needed for a public purpose and authorizing the County Executive to waive the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code in order to convey the County's property interest to

Toby's General Partnership or its successor, assignee or designee.

10. Council Bill 74-2017 - Introduced by: Calvin Ball and Jennifer Terrasa - AN ACT to repeal Council Bill 56-2016, which authorized and empowered the County to issue up to \$90,000,000 of special obligation bonds and levied and provided for the collection of a special tax on property known as the "Crescent Special Taxing District".
 - a. Colleen Morris, President, Howard County Education Association
 - b. Hiruy Hadgu - 8763 Lincoln Street, Savage, MD
 - c. Stu Kohn, President, Howard County Citizens Association - 8709 Yellow Bird Court, Laurel, MD
 - d. Amanda Paige, Corporate Office Properties Trust
 - e. Jeff Agnor, Chair of the Board, Howard County Chamber of Commerce - 11816 Scenic Hills Court, Clarksville MD
 - f. Christiana Rigby - 9628 West Window Way, Columbia, MD
 - g. Lada Onyshkevych - 6200 Bright Plume, Columbia, MD
 - h. Cole Schnorf - 4912 Valley View Overlook, Ellicott City, MD
 - i. Cynthia Fikes - 10382 Green Mountain Circle, Columbia, MD
 - j. Vernon Thompson, Executive Vice President - Howard County Economic Development Authority - 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 500, Columbia, MD
 - k. Sharonlee Vogel, Board Member, Howard County Arts Council - 8725 Warm Waves Way, Columbia, MD
 - l. Joanne Heckman, The Peoples Voice - 3205B Corporate Court, Ellicott City, MD
 - m. Brent Loveless - 9570 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel, MD
 - n. Dan Hajdo - 6016 Jamina Downs, Columbia, MD
 - o. Barbara Russell, Co-President, League of Women Voters of Howard County - 5129 Rondel Place, Columbia, MD
 - p. Jim Walsh - 16135 Ed Warfield Road, Woodbine, MD
 - q. Richard Talkin - 5100 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City, MD
 - r. Deb Jung - 10913 Great Oak Way, Columbia, MD
 - s. Coleen West, Executive Director, Howard County Arts Council - 8510 High Ridge Road, Ellicott City, MD
 - t. Jorge Tirigall

11. Council Resolution 124-2017 - Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty - A RESOLUTION to enlarge the Downtown Columbia area of Howard County designated as the development district by County Council Resolution 105-2016 for purposes of the State Tax Increment Financing Act, and generally relating to the

development district.

a. Deb Jung - 10913 Great Oak Way, Columbia, MD

12. Council Bill 68-2017 - AN ACT amending the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2018 to correctly reflect the prior appropriation revenue sources in Capital Project E0973, Waverly Elementary Renovation/Phase II Addition; and generally relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2018.

a. Jennifer Sager, Department of County Administration

C. Hearing Continuation

1. APFO Legislation (Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive)

Council Bill 61-2017 - AN ACT amending the Adequate Public Facilities Act requiring certain periodic review; specifying completion timelines for certain types of road remediation projects; requiring that certain agreements contain certain provisions with regard to the timing of road mitigation projects; amend the title of certain charts and other terminology; requiring certain waiting periods; clarifying certain exemptions; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.

Council Bill 62-2017 - AN ACT amending PlanHoward 2030, the general plan for Howard County, to reduce the number of allocations in the Growth and Revitalization category and to increase the number of allocations in the Established Communities category, beginning in 2020; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.

a. Colleen Morris, President, Howard County Education Association

b. Lily Chadwick

c. Anita Davis - 3805 Macalpine Road, Ellicott City, MD

d. Josh Greenfeld, Vice President of Government Affairs, Maryland Building Industry Association - 11825 West Market Place, Fulton, MD

e. Michael Herman - 6001 North Meyer Drive, Elkridge, MD

f. Ginna Rodriguez, Member, Centennial High School Latin American Council - 4053 Pebble Branch Road, Ellicott City, MD

- g. Jodi Cosgrove, 1st Vice President, St. John's Lane Elementary School PTA - 9217 Victoria Drive, Ellicott City, MD
- h. Vanessa Zawodny - 2917 Greenlow Court, Ellicott City, MD
- i. Cynthia Fikes - 10382 Green Mountain Circle, Columbia, MD
- j. Jill-Ann Mark - 4054 High Point Road, Ellicott City, MD
- k. Wayne Miller - 5665 Lightspun Lane, Columbia, MD
- l. Deb Jung - 10913 Great Oak Way, Columbia, MD
- m. Prasanth Sura Venkata - 8798 Welford Drive, Ellicott City, MD
- n. Tonya Tiffany - 10702 Judy Lane, Columbia, MD
- o. Stephanie Tuite - 6905 Deer Valley Road, Highland, MD
- p. Gautam Chatur - 8705 Welford Drive, Ellicott City, MD
- q. Jim Walsh - 16135 Ed Warfield Road, Woodbine, MD
- r. Tetyana Lopez - 3717 Valley Road, Ellicott City, MD
- s. Michael Thompson, Member, Howard County Association for Responsible Planning - 9806 Michaels Way, Ellicott City, MD
- t. Holly DeFrancis - 9809 Millwick Drive, Ellicott City, MD
- u. Karuna Skariah 3991 View Top Road, Ellicott City, MD
- v. Jeremy Rutter - 1720 Saint Michaels Road, Woodbine, MD
- w. Lisa Soto - 9664 Susies Way, Ellicott City, MD
- x. Karina Fisher - 4053 High Point Road, Ellicott City, MD
- y. Stephen Ferrandi - 5771 Waterloo Road, Ellicott City, MD
- z. Lee Rainey - 5657 Phelps Luck Drive, Columbia, MD
- aa. Satish Potluri

V. Tabled

- A. Council Resolution 112-2017 - A RESOLUTION amending the green neighborhood standards that are used to qualify for Green Neighborhood Allocations and amending a total number of possible points on the Green Neighborhood Site portion of the Green Neighborhood Checklist. (tabled 7/26/17)
- B. Council Bill 61-2017 - AN ACT amending the Adequate Public Facilities Act requiring certain periodic review; specifying completion timelines for certain types of road remediation projects; requiring that certain agreements contain certain provisions with regard to the timing of road mitigation projects; amend the title of certain charts and other terminology; requiring certain waiting periods; clarifying certain exemptions; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County. (tabled 7/26/17)

- C. Council Bill 62-2017 - AN ACT amending PlanHoward 2030, the general plan for Howard County, to reduce the number of allocations in the Growth and Revitalization category and to increase the number of allocations in the Established Communities category, beginning in 2020; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County. (tabled 7/26/17)

- D. Council Bill 60-2017 (ZRA 180) - Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and cosponsored by Greg Fox and Mary Kay Sigaty; AN ACT allowing certain composting facilities and emergency natural wood waste recycling facilities as accessory uses under certain conditions in certain Zoning Districts; allowing certain natural wood waste recycling facilities and composting facilities as a use permitted as a matter of right under certain conditions in certain Zoning Districts; providing supplementary regulations for composting facilities and emergency natural wood waste recycling facilities; providing conditional use standards for composting facilities and natural wood waste recycling facilities; defining certain terms; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations. (tabled 7/26/17)

- E. Council Resolution 1-2017 – Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of Windsor Forest Fox Chasing HOA, Inc. and Gaither Hunt Homeowners Association, Inc.; A RESOLUTION to close all of Winter Thicket Road, as shown in Exhibits A and B, in accordance with Section 18.204 of the Howard County Code. (tabled 2/6/17)

- F. Council Resolution 179-2016 – Introduced by Calvin Ball and Jennifer Terrasa; A RESOLUTION calling on the Maryland State Department of Education to contract for a performance audit of the Howard County Public School System and specifying the issues requested to be studied. (tabled 12/05/16)

- G. Council Resolution 104-2016 – A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive’s sale of certain real property known as the “Flier Building” owned by Howard County, Maryland, containing approximately 2.159 acres, and located at 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway, Maryland; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use. (tabled 7/29/16)

VI. Adjourned: 10:08 p.m.