

**COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND**

2019 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 1
January 7, 2019

HOWARD COUNTY TO WIT:

The Administrator called the legislative session to order at **7:01** p.m.

Chairperson Christiana Mercer Rigby, Vice Chairperson Opel Jones, Council Member Deb Jung, Council Member Liz Walsh, and Council Member David Yungmann were present.

Theo Wimberly, Acting Administrator to the County Council; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; Jeff Meyers, Legislative Analyst; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; John Gwynn, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; and Kel Berg, Administrative Support were also present.

APPROVE JOURNALS

The Chairperson moved to approve the Journal for Legislative Day No. 13, October 29, 2018 and the Journal for Legislative Day No. 15, December 3, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Jones, Jung, Mercer Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve the journals passed.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

The following legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive unless otherwise noted:

General

TAO2-2019 - AN ACT transferring a total of \$650,000 from certain capital projects within the Board of Education's capital budget to capital project E1044, Systemic Renovations, and capital project, E0989, Barrier-Free Projects. *(Expires 3/18/19; 4/22/19 if extended; or 5/27/19 if extended twice.)*

Council Bill 1-2019 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$650,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of various capital projects, more particularly described in the County's Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond and grant anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith. *(Expires 3/18/19; 4/22/19 if extended; or 5/27/19 if extended twice.)*

Council Bill 2-2019 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$150,000,000 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. *(Expires 3/18/19; 4/22/19 if extended; or 5/27/19 if extended twice.)*

Council Resolution 1-2019 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.104 of the Howard County Code, amending the Purchasing Manual in order to incorporate certain requirements related to Federal grant funded purchases; and generally relating to the Howard County Purchasing Manual. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 2-2019 - A RESOLUTION adopting an amended Howard County Investment Policy. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 3-2019 - A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to waive the formal competitive bidding requirements of Title 4, Subtitle 1 of the Howard County Code in order to enter into an agreement with River Hill Square, LLC, to make certain road improvements at the intersection of Clarksville Pike (MD Route 108) and Sheppard Lane. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 4-2019 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code declaring that two portions of a water, sewer, and utility easement containing approximately 0.114 acres of property conveyed to Howard County, Maryland are no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate the easement interest, vesting title to the fee simple owner, The Normandy Venture Limited Partnership; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the easement interest if he finds that the easements may have a further public use. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 5-2019 - A RESOLUTION declaring that a total of approximately 0.649 acres of real property 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 Chase Limited Partnership and Annapolis Junction Holdings, LP, and providing that, if the County Executive finds that the property may have a further public use and that the property should not be conveyed, he is not bound to convey the property in accordance with this Resolution. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 6-2019 - A RESOLUTION adopting the Howard County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 7-2019 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates. *(No expiration date)*

Council Resolution 8-2019 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION reappointing Steven Hunt to the Board of Appeals of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on December 31, 2023. *(No expiration date)*

Council Bill 3-2019 - Introduced by: Liz Walsh - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code by removing certain exceptions for a certificate of approval for new development in a historic district; and generally relating to historic district certificate of approvals. *(Expires 3/18/19; 4/22/19 if extended; or 5/27/19 if extended twice.)*

Council Bill 4-2019 - Introduced by: Liz Walsh - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code by removing the necessary disturbance exemption for development near wetlands, streams, and steep slopes; and generally relating to the protection of wetlands, streams, and steep slopes. *(Expires 3/18/19; 4/22/19 if extended; or 5/27/19 if extended twice.)*

FINAL CONSIDERATION

General

Council Resolution 7-2019 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates. (*No expiration date*)

The Chairperson moved to approve Council Resolution 7-2019. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve Council Resolution 7-2019 was: Yea: Council Members Jones, Jung, Mercer Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve Council Resolution 7-2019 passed.

Adjourned: **7:10** p.m.