



# Howard County Council

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## COUNCILMEMBERS

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David Yungmann  
District 5

## Legislative Public Hearing Minutes

(approved)

Monday, October 19, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Web-based Virtual Meeting

Video Streamed on <https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Online-Tools/Watch-Us>

Broadcast on channels 44(Verizon) and 99(Comcast)

**Council Members Present:** Chairperson Deb Jung, Vice Chairperson Liz Walsh, Council Member Opel Jones, Council Member Christiana Rigby, and Council Member David Yungmann were present

**Staff Present:** Diane Jones, Council Administrator; Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; and Roz Hightower and Brenda Smith, Administrative Aides

Administration representatives: Jennifer Sager; Maureen Arthurs

I. Called to Order at 7:01pm.

II. Public Hearing

### A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 115-2020 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Lawrence Lewis III to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission. (No expiration date)

a. Lawrence Lewis III (Tre Lewis), called to speak.

2. Council Resolution 146-2020 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Lou Hutt to the Pension Oversight Commission. (No expiration date)

a. Lou Hutt, called to speak.

3. Council Resolution 147-2020 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Wendell McKay to the Howard County Local Children's Board. (No expiration date)
  - a. Dr. Wendell McKay, called to speak.
4. Council Resolution 148-2020 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dr. Orlando Wright to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board. (No expiration date)
  - a. Dr. Orlando Wright, called to speak.
5. Council Resolution 149-2020 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Lanlan Xu to the Howard County Local Children's Board. (No expiration date)
  - a. Lanlan Xu, called to speak.
6. Council Resolution 150-2020 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Syed Ahmad to the Board of Electrical Examiners. (No expiration date)

**B. Financial**

1. Council Bill 52-2020 - AN ACT reestablishing a tax credit against the County tax imposed on certain commercial or industrial real property located adjacent to Route 1 that is renovated, upgraded, or rehabilitated, under certain conditions; establishing the amount, terms, conditions, and duration of the credit; providing for an application procedure and administration of the credit; establishing a sunset provision; and generally relating to property tax credits. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)
  - a. Peter Conrad, Deputy Director of DPZ, called to speak.
  - b. Susan Garber, called to speak.
  - c. Vernon Thompson, Howard County Economic Development Authority, called to speak.
2. Council Bill 53-2020 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter and Section 4.201A of the Howard County Code, approving the execution by Howard County, Maryland of one or more installment purchase agreements to finance the acquisition of land for a new elementary school in the Turf Valley neighborhood of Ellicott City, Maryland and the payment of any related costs in the aggregate maximum amount of \$6,000,000. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)
  - a. Melanie Bishop, called to speak.

**C. General**

1. Council Bill 54-2020 – AN ACT adopting the 2020 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. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)

a. Bob Francis, Director DILP, called to speak.

2. Council Resolution 151-2020 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, approving the Howard County Board of Education’s Capital Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2022 and Capital Improvement Program Request for Fiscal Years 2023-2027 for the purpose of submission to the Interagency Commission on School Construction. (No expiration date)

a. Dan Lubely, Acting Director for the Board of Education, called to speak.

3. Council Bill 55-2020 – Introduced by: Deb Jung; Co-sponsored by: Liz Walsh and David Yungmann - AN ACT requiring the County Executive to submit fiscal analyses for specified legislative items; specifying when a fiscal analysis must be submitted; and generally relating to the enactment of legislation. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)

a. Veronica Wright, called to speak

b. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak

c. Hiruy Hadgu, called to speak

4. Council Bill 56-2020 – Introduced by: Liz Walsh - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to remove the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance’s exemption for Conditionally Exempt Residential Subdivision Plans; and generally relating to Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance Exemptions. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)

a. Sang Oh, Attorney called to speak.

b. Brian Gibbons called to speak.

c. Louis Mangione called to speak.

d. Elly Cowan, for Smart Growth Maryland called to speak.

- e. Vicky Cutroneo, called to speak.
  - f. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak.
  - g. Hiruy Hadgu, Speaking for HCCA, called to speak.
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5. Council Bill 57-2020 - Introduced by: David Yungmann; Co-sponsored by: Deb Jung - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to replace the recommendation requirement with an analysis requirement for the Department of Planning and Zoning's Technical Staff Reports; and generally relating to Technical Staff Reports. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)
    - a. Jack Guarneri, called to speak.
    - b. Elly Cowan for Smart Growth Maryland, called to speak.
    - c. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak.
    - d. Stu Kohn, for HCCA, called to speak.
  
  6. Council Bill 58-2020 (ZRA190) - Introduced by: The Chair at the request of John P. McDaniel - AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to allow the merger of adjoining preservation parcels under specific conditions; and generally relating to preservation parcels. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)
    - a. Joseph Rutter, called to speak.
    - b. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak.
  
  7. Council Bill 55-2020 – Introduced by: Deb Jung; Co-sponsored by: Liz Walsh and David Yungmann - AN ACT requiring the County Executive to submit fiscal analyses for specified legislative items; specifying when a fiscal analysis must be submitted; and generally relating to the enactment of legislation. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)
  
  8. TAO1-FY2021 - AN ACT transferring a total of \$54,652,000 from C0214, Category Contingency Fund, to capital project C0364, New Cultural Center, for Fiscal Year 2021. (Expires 12/14/20; 1/18/21 if extended; or 2/22/21 if extended twice.)
    - a. Carl Delorenzo, Director of Policy & Programs for the County Executive at Howard County, called to speak.
    - b. Linda Leslie, called to speak.
    - c. Rev. Mary Ka Nippard Kanahan, speaking on behalf of PATH, called to speak.

- d. Patricia Sylvester, on behalf of the Columbia Downtown Housing Corp., called to speak.
- e. Pamela V. Henry, called to speak.
- f. Peter Engel, Executive Director of the Howard County Housing Commission, called to speak.
- g. Gerald Jordan, Deputy Director of the Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts, called to speak.
- h. Vickie Beck, called to speak.
- i. Jay Ellis, called to speak.
- j. Paul Casey, speaking for Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition.
- k. Mark Minnick, called to speak.
- l. Charles Cofield, called to speak.
- m. Jeffrey Shankle, called to speak.
- n. Toby Orenstein, called to speak.
- o. Cheryl Everidge, called to speak.
- p. Carole Lehan, called to speak.
- q. Ross Rawlings, called to speak.
- r. Karol Hess, called to speak.
- s. Deeba Jafri, called to speak.
- t. Dinah OBerry, called to speak.
- u. Gail Holm, called to speak.
- v. Dr. Charles Dyer, called to speak.
  
- w. DeCarlo Raspberry, called to speak.
- x. Susan Moody, called to speak.
- y. Rev. Annis Forder, called to speak.
- z. Caroline Bowman, called to speak.
- aa. Guy Moody, called to speak.
- bb. Alan Wiggins, called to speak.
- cc. Nick Lehan, called to speak.
- dd. Alanna Kiewe, called to speak.
- ee. Jean Weller, called to speak.
- ff. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak.
- gg. Hiruy Hadgu, on behalf of HCCA, called to speak.
- hh. Alexandra Franco Tuten, called to speak.
- ii. Kim Bryant, Managing Director for the Columbia Center of Theatrical Arts, called to speak.
- jj. Constance Lynch, called to speak.

Adjourned at 10:47pm

