



Howard County Council

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Minutes (Approved)
Legislative Public Hearing
Monday, April 19, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
Web-based Virtual Meeting
Streamed at <https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Online-Tools/Watch-Us>
Broadcast Channels 44 (Verizon) and 99 (Comcast)

Members Present: Liz Walsh, Council Chairperson; Opel Jones, Vice Chairperson; Deb Jung, Council Member, Christiana Rigby, Council Member; and David Yungmann, Council Member.

Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jeff Meyers, Senior Legislative Analyst; Theo Wimberly, Administrative Manager; Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant and Kel Berg, Administrative Support.

I. Call to Order at 7:03 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Chair Liz Walsh

III. Public Hearing

A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 44-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Herman L. Charity to the Recreation and Parks Board. (No expiration date)
 - a. Herman L. Charity

2. Council Resolution 45-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Phillip Dodge to the Multimodal Transportation Board. (No expiration date)

- a. Phillip Dodge - Columbia, MD

3. Council Resolution 46-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Frances F. LoPresti to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board. (No expiration date)

- a. Frances F. LoPresti - Columbia, MD

B. Reappointments

1. Council Resolution 47-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Reginald T. Avery to the Commission on Aging. (No expiration date)
2. Council Resolution 48-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Patricia Branch to the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection. (No expiration date)
3. Council Resolution 49-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of David Drasin to the Multimodal Transportation Board. (No expiration date)
4. Council Resolution 50-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Eric Shatzer to the Board of Electrical Examiners. (No expiration date)
5. Council Resolution 51-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Young Ran Smith to the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection. (No expiration date)
6. Council Resolution 52-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sue Song to the Commission on Aging. (No expiration date)
7. Council Resolution 53-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of William Stone to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority. (No expiration date)
8. Council Resolution 54-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Alan Whitworth to the Public Works Board. (No expiration date)

9. Council Resolution 55-2021 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of David Zinner to the Multimodal Transportation Board. (No expiration date)

C. Financial

1. Council Bill 25-2021 - AN ACT transferring \$500,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve and \$1,175,000 from the Department of Police to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses related to snow removal. (Expires 6/14/21; 7/19/21 if extended; or 8/23/21 if extended twice.)
 - a. Kris Jagarapu, Bureau Chief, DPW/Bureau of Highways at Howard County Government
 - b. Brook Mamo, Fiscal Administrator, Budget Department

2. Council Resolution 56-2021 - A RESOLUTION amending the Howard County Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, as adopted by Council Resolution No. 63-2020 and amended by Council Resolution No. 106-2020, in order to increase the Grants fund appropriation by \$22,273,259 so the Board of Education may receive additional federal, state and private grants; and generally relating to the Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2021. (No expiration date)
 - a. Darin Conforti, Executive Director of Budget, Howard County Public School System

3. Council Bill 26-2021 - AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 30 acres of agricultural land located on the west side of Driver Road in Marriottsville, Howard County, Maryland, from Larry and Peggy Jo Sowell or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$786,000 or, if less, not more than \$26,200 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith. (Expires 6/14/21; 7/19/21 if extended; or 8/23/21 if extended twice.)
 - a. Joy Levy, Planning Supervisor, Department of Planning and Zoning

4. Council Resolution 57-2021 - A RESOLUTION adopting Howard County's Annual Action Plan for housing and community services to qualify for the receipt of federal Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership Program funds. (No expiration date)
 - a. Kelly Cimino, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development

5. Council Resolution 58-2021 - A RESOLUTION endorsing and authorizing the Howard County Executive to file an application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for grants under the Federal Transit Act and certain State transportation grants; indicating certain endorsement by the County Executive; and requiring certain copies be sent to the Maryland Department of Transportation. (No expiration date)
 - a. Bruce Gartner, Administrator, Office of Transportation

D. General

1. Council Bill 27-2021 - AN ACT amending the Howard County Retirement Plan in order to create an enhanced normal retirement benefit for Deputy Sheriffs hired on or after July 1, 2021, adding and amending certain definitions; increasing the amount of employee pick up contributions to be made by participating Deputy Sheriffs, changing the normal retirement age for participating Deputy Sheriffs and generally relating to the Howard County Retirement Plan. (Expires 6/14/21; 7/19/21 if extended; or 8/23/21 if extended twice.)
 - a. John Peterson, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Department of County Administration

2. Council Resolution 59-2021 - A RESOLUTION amending the rules that implement the Settlement Downpayment Loan Program established under Title 13, Subtitle 9 of the Howard County Code; to update and add certain definitions; to remove language related to lending pools and participating lenders; to add a method of calculation to determine self-employment; to update minimum down payment requirements and qualification for certain loan types; to update loan subordination requirements; and generally relating to the Settlement Downpayment Loan Program. (No expiration date)
 - a. Kelly Cimino, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development

IV. Adjourned: 7:46 p.m.