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AGENDA – LEGISLATIVE WORK SESSION

The County Council will hold a Legislative Work Session at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 in the Banneker Room, Howard Building, 3430 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City.

Council Bill No. 8-2013 - Establishing a Watershed Protection and Restoration fund as a dedicated, non-lapsing, enterprise fund; specifying the purposes of the fund and allowing certain revenue to be deposited into the fund; allowing the fund to be used for certain purposes; establishing a Watershed Protection and Restoration Fee; establishing the method, frequency and enforcement of the collection of the Fee; setting forth certain provisions specific to particular types of properties; creating a certain credit and reimbursement program to adjust the amount of the Fee that certain properties will pay; allowing for certain adjustments; allowing for a certain Assistance Program; allowing certain appeals; authorizing the adoption of certain regulations; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; providing for certain enforcement; and generally relating to the Watershed Protection and Restoration Program in Howard County.

Council Resolution No. 21-2013 - Approving schedules for various charges related to the Watershed Protection and Restoration Fee including the impervious unit rate and the amounts for certain credit, reimbursement and assistance programs.

Council Bill No. 6-2013 (ZRA 143) - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of Normandy Venture Limited Partnership - amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations' TNC (Traditional Neighborhood Center) overlay district to expand the permitted uses and change the bulk regulations; and generally related to the TNC overlay district.

Council Bill No. 9-2013 - Revising the criteria used to determine whether property is eligible for the County Agricultural Land Preservation Program; revising the process by which development rights are purchased under the Program; authorizing the County, under certain conditions, to transfer purchased development rights for a certain purpose; requiring the Department of Planning and Zoning to establish a process for such transfers; and generally relating to the County Agricultural Land Preservation Program.

Council Bill No. 10-2013 - Amending certain provisions related to nuisance suits against agricultural operations; amending certain definitions; clarifying the types of properties for which certain protection applies; requiring certain mediation; and generally related to nuisance suits against agricultural operations.

Council Resolution No. 23-2013 - Amending the purchase price formula used to determine the price that Howard County pays when purchasing development rights under the Agricultural Land Preservation Program; and specifying that the purchase price formula shall be effective upon passage of the resolution and shall remain in effect until changed or repealed by resolution of the County Council.