

# **Howard County Council**

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### Agenda

March 2, 2013 - March 15, 2013

County Council
Monday, March 4, 2013
Banneker Room
George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD
7:30 p.m.

# **Legislative Session**

Day #3

Approve Journal – February 4, 2013

#### Approve Minutes –

Legislative Public Hearing – February 19, 2013 Legislative Work Session – February 26, 2013

#### Introduction of Legislation

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

#### **Appointments**

- Council Resolution No. 24-2013 Confirming the appointment of Ryan C. Frederic to the Howard County Board of Directors of the Revenue Authority.
- Council Resolution No. 25-2013 Confirming the appointment of Katie Weyrauch to the Environmental Sustainability Board.
- Council Resolution No. 26-2013 Confirming the reappointment of Dr. Byung H. Ahn to the Commission on Disability Issues.
- Council Resolution No. 27-2013 Confirming the reappointment of Kristen Perry to the Public Ethics Commission.

### General

Council Bill No. 11-2013 - Pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multi-year agreement between Howard County, Maryland and Grant Capital Management, Inc., a Maryland corporation, where Grant Capital will finance the acquisition of certain equipment including, without limitation, Fire Department apparatus, furniture, library books and computers through a Tax-Exempt Master Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement.

## Final Consideration

#### Consent

- Council Resolution No. 3-2013 Confirming the appointment of M. Eletta Morse to the Commission on Aging.
- Council Resolution No. 17-2013 Confirming the reappointment of Mark D. Donovan to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.
- Council Resolution No. 18-2013 Confirming the reappointment of N. Joseph Gagliardi, M.D., to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.
- Council Resolution No. 19-2013 Confirming the reappointment of Douglas C. Lea to the Commission on Disability Issues.
- Council Resolution No. 20-2013 Confirming the reappointment of Dave Willemain to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

# General

- 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. 7-2013 Providing that historic outbuildings are eligible property for purposes of the Historic Tax Credit Program; providing that work performed by an architect or historic preservation consultant is a qualified expense; making certain technical corrections; and generally related to Howard County tax credits.
- 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 Resolution No. 22-2013 Adopting the Howard County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan.
- 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.

#### **Tabled Legislation**

Council Resolution No. 150-2011 – Proposing to add a section to Article VIII. "Centralized Purchasing" of the Howard County Charter to limit the exercise of the power of eminent domain so that the power is used only for public purposes and not for private economic development, and submitting this amendment to the voters of Howard County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with Article X of the Howard County Charter and Article XIA of the Maryland Constitution.

Council Resolution No. 3-2013 – Confirming the appointment of M. Eletta Morse to the Commission on Aging.

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County Council
Monthly Meeting
Monday, March 11, 2013
Banneker Room
George Howard Building 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD
12:30 p.m.

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