



Howard County Council

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Minutes (Approved) Legislative Public Hearing April 15, 2013

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Members present: Jennifer Terrasa, Council Chairperson; Mary Kay Sigaty, Vice Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Council Member; Greg Fox, Council Member; and Courtney Watson, Council Member.
Staff Present: Sheila Tolliver, Administrator; Jennifer Sager, Administration; Jeff Meyers, Legislative Assistant; Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Aide; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor.

Meeting Called to order at 7:35 p.m.

- I. Chairperson Opens Meeting and Announces - This is the regular public hearing by the County Council for legislation that was introduced on March 28
- II. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Greg Fox
- III. Chairperson Announced: The Council will hold a work session, if needed, on legislation heard tonight on Tuesday, April 23 at 4:30 p.m in the Baneker Room. We will vote on legislation that is heard tonight at the Council's next legislative session on May 6, 2013. At 7:00 p.m. on May 6, immediately before the legislative session, the Council will hold a hearing on the constant yield taxrate.

Immediately following the legislative public hearing tonight, the Council will hear testimony on the Executive's proposed capital budget, except those items in the education budgets. We will hold a work session on the capital budget on April 18 at 1:00 p.m. All budget work sessions will be held in the C. Vernon Gray Conference Room, unless otherwise announced. If needed, we will hold a second work session on the capital budget at 3:00 p.m. on April 23. There will be a presentation of the budget by the County Executive at 7:00 p.m. on April 29 here in the Baneker Room, followed immediately by a public hearing on the education capital and operating budgets. That hearing may be

continued on Tuesday, April 30, if needed. At 8:30 a.m. on May 1, the Council will have a work session on certain operating budget programs. A full schedule of the Council's meetings on the proposed capital and operating budgets for FY 2014 is posted on the County Council's website and is available in a brochure.

IV. Presentation of Honorary Resolution, read by Chairperson

V. Approve Minutes -

A. Monthly Meeting - April 8, 2013

Jen Terrasa, Chairperson moved to approve Meeting Minutes, seconded by Mary Kay Sigaty, Vice Chairperson.

The motion carried as follows

AYES: Jen Terrasa, Council Chairperson, Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Vice Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Council Member; Greg Fox, Council Member; and Courtney Watson, Council Member

VI. A public hearing was held on the following legislation. Those testifying are identified after each title.

A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution No. 31-2013 - Confirming the appointment of Nancy A. Briguglio to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
 - a. Nancy Briguglio - 5214 Harpers Farm Road, Columbia 21044
2. Council Resolution No. 32-2013 - Confirming the appointment of Ann H. Jones to the State Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board and to the Howard County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.
 - a. Ann H.Jones - 2921 Greenway Drive, Ellicott City 21042
3. Council Resolution No. 33-2013 - Confirming the appointment of Vivian M. Lawyer to the Personnel Board.
 - a. Vivian Lawyer - 11510 Homewood Road, Ellicott City 21042
4. Council Resolution No. 34-2013 - Confirming the reappointment of Ricky Bauer to the State Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board and to the Howard County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

5. Council Resolution No. 35-2013 - Confirming the reappointment of Howard Feaga to the State Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board and to the Howard County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.
6. Council Resolution No. 36-2013 - Confirming the reappointment of Joshua D. Sullivan to the Human Rights Commission.

B. Financial

1. Supplementary Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 8-FY2013 - Transferring \$18,908 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Office of Transportation to reflect increased funding for the Work on Wheels grant program.
 - a. John Powell - Administrator, Office of Transportation
2. Supplementary Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 9-FY2013 - Transferring \$770,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses for snow removal.
 - a. Tom Butler - Deputy Director, Public Works

C. General

1. Council Bill No. 12-2013 - Amending the Howard County Employees' Retirement Plan pursuant to the Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act of 2008; amending certain definitions; amending certain death benefits, disability benefits, and differential wage provisions for pension plan participants with military service; and generally relating to the Howard County Employees' Retirement Plan.
2. Council Bill No. 13-2013 - Amending the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan pursuant to the Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act of 2008; amending certain definitions; amending certain death benefits, disability benefits, and differential wage provisions for pension plan participants with military service; and generally relating to the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan.
 - a. Todd Allen - Chief, HR Administrator/Chairman, Howard County Retirement Plan
3. Council Bill No. 14-2013 - Amending the Howard County Employees' Retirement Plan to define the term "spouse"; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Howard County Employees' Retirement Plan.
4. Council Bill No. 15-2013 - Amending the Howard County Police and Fire

Employees' Retirement Plan to define the term "spouse"; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan.

- a. Todd Allen - Chairman, Howard County Retirement Plan
5. Council Resolution No. 28-2013 - Introduced by, The Chairperson at the request of Several Emerson Development LLCs - Close a portion of Sterling Drive, as shown in Exhibits A and B, in accordance with Section 18.204 of the Howard County Code.
 - a. Tom Butler - Deputy Director, Public Works
 6. Council Resolution No. 29-2013 - Introduced by, The Chairperson at the request of the Department of Public Works - Close a portion of Linden Church road, as shown in Exhibits A and B, in accordance with Section 18.204 of the Howard County Code.
 - a. Tom Butler - Deputy Director, Public Works
 - b. Nancy Keough - 13505 Argo Drive, Dayton 21036
 7. Council Resolution No. 37-2013 - Declaring that a total of approximately 6.149 acres of real property owned by Howard County and identified as (1) a portion of the road bed of Sterling Drive and (2) a certain open space parcel are 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 property to the homeowners association serving the adjacent property, Emerson Development HOA, LLC; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the property if he finds that the land may have a further public use and submits his finding to the County Council for its consideration.
 - a. Tom Butler - Deputy Director, Public Works
 8. Council Resolution No. 38-2013 - Pursuant to Sections 16.301 and 16.200(a) of the Howard County Code, granting a variance for government uses from the structure and use setback for a fence on property located along Stephens Road and located in the Planned Employment Center Zoning District.
 - a. Tom Butler - Deputy Director, Public Works
 9. Council Resolution No. 39-2013 - 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.
 - a. Tom Carbo - Director, Department of Housing and Community Development

10. Council Resolution No. 40-2013 - Introduced by the Chairperson - Calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on May 23, 2013.
11. Council Resolution No. 41-2013 - Introduced by the Chairperson - Calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on July 25, 2013.

VII. Adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

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