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Minutes (Approved) Legislative Public Hearing Tuesday, January18, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Hybrid and In-Person Streamed at https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Online-Tools/Watch-Us Broadcast Channels 44 (Verizon) and 99 (Comcast)

Members Present: Opel Jones, Council Chairperson; Christiana Rigby, Vice Chairperson; Deb Jung, Council Member; Liz Walsh, 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; Lynne Rosen, Senior Legislative Analyst; Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant and Trish Hammond, Administrative Support.

- I. Called to Order at 7:04 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Hearing
- A. Appointments
- 1. Council Resolution 1-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ralph O. Frith to the Citizens' Election Fund Commission. (*No expiration*)
 - a. Ralph O. Frith, called to speak
- 2. Council Resolution 2-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Stephanie Lyon to the Commission on Aging. (*No expiration*)
 - a. Stephanie Lyon called to speak
- 3. Council Resolution 3-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of George Stephens to the Commission on Disabilities. (*No expiration*)

- a. George Stephens, called to speak
- 4. Council Resolution 4-2022 Introduced by David Yungmann A RESOLUTION appointing Keith Ohlinger to the Citizens' Election Fund Commission of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on May 1, 2025. (*No expiration*)
 - a. Keith Ohlinger, called to speak
 - b. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak
- B. Reappointments
- 1. Council Resolution 5-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jessica Epps to the Commission for Women. (*No expiration*)
- 2. Council Resolution 6-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Nafrettifi Griffin to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (*No expiration*)
- 3. Council Resolution 7-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Cynthia Gula to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission. (*No expiration*)
- 4. Council Resolution 8-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Greg Jolissant to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (*No expiration*)
- 5. Council Resolution 9-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Robert Lowell to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (*No expiration*)
- 6. Council Resolution 10-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Robert McLaughlin to the Plumbing Advisory Board. (*No expiration*)
- 7. Council Resolution 11-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jessica Nichols to the Commission for Women. (*No expiration*)
- 8. Council Resolution 12-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jason Peay to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission. (*No expiration*)
- 9. Council Resolution 13-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Marian Vessels to the Commission on Disabilities. (*No expiration*)

- 10. Council Resolution 14-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Terry Winegar to the Plumbing Advisory Board. (*No expiration*)
- C. Financial
- 1. Council Resolution 15-2022 A RESOLUTION amending a schedule of fees for utility construction permits and generally relating to fees charged by the Department of Public Works. (*No expiration*)
 - a. John Seefried, Administration Department of Public Works called to speak
 - b. Leonardo McClarty, HoCo Chamber of Commerce, called to speak
- D. General
- 1. Council Bill 1-2022 AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County to revise the pay scales for Recreational Licensed Child Care providers and contingent employees; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)
 - a. John Peterson, Administration, called to speak
- 2. Council Bill 2-2022 AN ACT prohibiting discrimination based on citizen or immigration status in the areas of employment, law enforcement practices, public accommodations, and financing; clarifying prohibited discrimination based on citizenship or immigration status in the area of housing; and generally related to Human Rights provisions of the County Code. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)
 - a. Scott Markow, HoCo Human Rights Commission, called to speak
 - b. Yolanda Sonnier, Administration, called to speak, called to speak
 - c. Jake Burdett, Progressive Democrats of HoCo, called to speak
 - d. Kathleen Uy, called to speak
 - e. Hiruy Hadgu, called to speak
- 3. Council Bill 3-2022 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the Compensation Review Commission AN ACT to set the annual compensation of the members of the Howard County Council for the term beginning in December 2022. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)

- a. Michael Butera, Compensation Review Commission, called to speak
- 4. Council Bill 4-2022 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the Compensation Review Commission AN ACT to set the annual compensation of the Howard County Executive for the term beginning in December 2022. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)
- 5. Council Bill 5-2022 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the Compensation Review Commission AN ACT to set the compensation for members of the Howard County Zoning Board. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)
 - a. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak
- 6. Council Bill 6-2022 Introduced by David Yungmann AN ACT repealing a certain provision of law relating to the determination of whether an election is contested for the distribution of a public contribution from the Citizens' Election Fund; confirming that a certified candidate may receive a matching public contribution for any qualifying contributions that were collected prior to the effective date of this Act; making a technical correction in order to remove an ambiguity in the Citizens' Election Fund law to facilitate orderly administration of the program; and generally relating to the Citizens' Election Fund. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)
 - a. Sue Geckle, Citizen's Election Fund Commission DPW, called to speak
 - b. Jennifer Bevan Dangel, called to speak
 - c. Emily Scarr, Maryland PIRG, called to speak
 - d. Pravin Ponnuri, People's Voice, called to speak
 - e. Jake Burdett, Progressive Democrats of HoCo, called to speak
 - f. Bonnie Bricker, called to speak
 - g. Joanne Antoine, Common Cause Maryland, called to speak
 - h. Hiruy Hadgu, HCCA, called to speak
 - i. Jonathan Weinstein, called to speak
 - j. Kathleen Uy, called to speak
 - k. Allan Kittleman, called to speak

- l. Greg Fox, called to speak
- m. Tim Lattimer, Indivisible HoCo, called to speak
- n. Jen Terrasa, called to speak
- o. Vlad Patrangenaru, called to speak
- p. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak
- Council Bill 7-2022 (ZRA199) Introduced by Liz Walsh AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to require that Moderate Income Housing Units (MIHUs) be developed in the Planned Golf Course Community (PGCC) zoning district; and generally relating to Moderate Income Housing Units. (Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.)

Council Bill 8-2022 – Introduced by Liz Walsh - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to require that Moderate Income Housing Units (MIHUs) be developed in the Planned Golf Course Community (PGCC) zoning district; and generally relating to Moderate Income Housing Units. (*Expires 3/14/22; 4/18/22 if extended; or 5/23/22 if extended twice.*)

CB7-2022 and CB8-2022 were read together

- a. Stu Kohn, HCCA, called to speak
- b. Pravin Ponnuri, called to speak
- c. Jake Burdett, Progressive Democrats of HoCo, called to speak
- d. Shehlla Khan, Path, called to speak
- e. Christopher DeCarlo, called to speak
- f. Hiruy Hadgu, Indivisible HoCo MD called to speak
- g. Vonda Orders, HoCo Housing Affordability Coalition called to speak
- h. Grace Kubofcik, called to speak
- i. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak
- E. Adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

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