

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
OF  
HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**2012 Legislative Session**

**Legislative Day No. 6**

05/23/2012

**HOWARD COUNTY TO WIT:**

The Chairperson called the legislative session to order at 9:35 a.m.

Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Council Member; Greg Fox, Council Member; Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member; and Courtney Watson, Vice Chairperson were present.

Stephen LeGendre, Administrator to the County Council; Haskell Arnold, County Auditor; Margaret Ann Nolan, County Solicitor; James Vannoy, Assistant County Attorney; and Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator were also present.

**FINAL CONSIDERATION**

**Fiscal Year 2013 Budget**

Council Resolution No. 65-2012 - Introduced by the Chairperson - Calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on May 31, 2012.

The Chairperson moved to approve Council Resolution 65-2012. The motion was seconded by Ms. Watson.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Watson.

The motion passed.

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Council Bill 16-2012 - AN ACT amending the duration of the taxicab certificate and the taxicab driver's license; making certain technical corrections; and generally related to the Taxicab Code of Howard County.

Council Bill 17-2012 - AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; providing payscales for employees, amending pay grades for certain employees; adding certain premium pays; adding pay grades that apply to certain bargaining units; making certain technical corrections; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.

Council Bill 18-2012 - AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County; amending certain class descriptions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan.

Council Bill 19-2012 - AN ACT adopting the current expense budget and the capital budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013, to be known as the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Howard County, Fiscal Year 2013.

Council Bill 20-2012 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$116,555,760 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County capital projects (including bridge projects, general county projects, storm drainage projects, school system projects, fire and rescue projects, road construction projects, roadside and sidewalk projects, library projects, community college projects, parks and recreation projects, and intersection improvements projects), which are specified and described in the County's 2013 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain capital projects previously authorized in other calendar years, which such authorization has lapsed or will lapse), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Council Bill 21-2012 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$91,799,179 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County water and sewer capital projects which are specified and described in the County's Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain water and sewer capital projects previously authorized in prior calendar years which such authorization has lapsed or will lapse), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with benefit assessments, ad valorem taxes levied upon the assessable property in the Metropolitan District and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Council Bill 22-2012 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in a principal amount of up to \$22,461,022 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County road construction projects and other capital projects specified and described in the County's 2013 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain of such capital projects previously authorized), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing and empowering the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with building excise taxes and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection

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Council Resolution 67-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving the Capital Program for Howard County for Fiscal Years 2014 through 2018 and the Extended Capital Program for Fiscal Years 2019 through 2022.

Council Resolution 68-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2013 operating budget for the Howard Community College and indicating appropriations for major functional categories.

Council Resolution 69-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2013 budget for the Howard County Library System and indicating appropriations for object classes.

Council Resolution 70-2012 - A RESOLUTION setting forth the Fiscal Year 2013 Operating Budget for the Howard County Board of Education.

Council Resolution 71-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules for charges pertaining to the Metropolitan District, to water and sewer service, and to shared sewage disposal facilities.

Council Resolution 72-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees for the functions regulated by the Department of Public Works.

Council Resolution 73-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees, fines and charges for functions regulated by the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits.

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Council Resolution 75-2012 - A RESOLUTION adopting a schedule of fees for functions regulated by the Department of Finance, including a schedule of fees for parking meter rates.

Council Resolution 76-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and rates for functions regulated and administered by the Department of Police.

Council Resolution 77-2012 - A RESOLUTION approving fee and rate schedules for:

- (1) Applying for approval of an industrial development revenue bond or MIDFA bond or loan;
- (2) Solicitor and Peddler Identification Card;
- (3) Weekend Prisoners - Room and board;
- (4) Prisoner - Health care provider fee;
- (5) Participation in work release program;
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- (7) Marriage license fee charge for funding of domestic violence programs;
- (8) Annual registration of trespass towing companies and maximum rates to be charged by trespass towing services;
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(10) Reproduction of public records.

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The Chairperson moved to table Council Bills 16-2012, 17-2012, 18-2012, 19-2012, 20-2012, 21-2012, 22-2012, and Council Resolutions 67-2012, 68-2012, 69-2012, 70-2012, 71-2012, 72-2012, 73-2012, 74-2012, 75-2012, 76-2012, 77-2012, 78-2012, 79-2012, 80-2012, 81-2012, and 82-2012. The motion was seconded by Ms. Watson.

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Council Resolution 31-2012 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of G. Scott Harding to the Board of Electrical Examiners.

Council Resolution 150-2011 - A RESOLUTION 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.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Chairperson adjourned the legislative session at 9:44 p.m.