



Howard County Council

George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043-4392

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Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson
District 4
Courtney Watson, Vice Chairperson
District 1
Calvin Ball
District 2
Greg Fox
District 5
Jennifer Terrasa
District 3

Minutes (approved)

Legislative Public Hearing
Monday, May 21, 2012

Banneker Room, George Howard Building,
3430 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City, MD
7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Chair, Calvin Ball, Council Member and Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member

Members Absent: Greg Fox, Council Member, and Courtney Watson, Vice Chair

Staff Present: Stephen LeGendre, Administrator, Meredith Beach, Legislative Assistant, and Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Support Technician III

- I. Called to Order at 7:33 p.m.
- II. Pledge lead by Dr. Calvin Ball
- III. Reading of Honorary Resolutions
 - A. Honorary Resolutions to Student Artists - read by Chairperson
 - B. Honorary Resolution - Agnes Meyer Outstanding Educator - Lisa Young read by Chairperson
- IV. Approve Minutes -
 - A. Constant Yield Public Hearing - May 7, 2012
 - B. Budget Work Session (Community Services, Funds/Revenue) - May 10, 2012
 - C. Budget Public Hearing General - May 10, 2012
 - D. Budget Public Hearing Operating & Capital (Education, Library, Howard Community College) - May 12, 2012
 - E. Monthly Meeting - May 15, 2012
 - F. Budget Work Sessions - Board of Elections, County Council, Library, Community College, Health Department - May 15, 2012
 - G. Closed Meeting - May 15, 2012
 - H. Operating Budget Work Session (General Government) - May 16, 2012

I. Operating & Capital Budget Work Session (Education) - May 17, 2012

Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Chair moved to approve Minutes,, seconded by Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Calvin Ball, Council Member, Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Chair, and Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member.

NAYS:

None.

ABSENT:

Greg Fox, Council Member, and Courtney Watson, Vice Chair.

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

V. Appointments

A. Council Resolution No. 31-2012 - Confirming the appointment of G. Scott Harding to the Board of Electrical Examiners.

1. G. Scott Harding - 3633 Broadleaf Court, Glenwood, MD 21738

B. Council Resolution No. 47-2012 - Confirming the appointment of Richard J. Bergin to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

1. Richard Bergin - 9222 Spring Valley Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043

C. Council Resolution No. 48-2012 - Confirming the appointment of N. Joseph Gagliardi, M.D. to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

1. Dr. N .Joseph Gagliardi - 5101 West Penfield Road, Columbia, MD 21045

D. Council Resolution No. 49-2012 - Confirming the appointment of Douglas C. Lea to the Commission on Disability Issues.

1. Douglas Lea - 10964 Eight Bells Lane, Columbia, MD 21044

E. Council Resolution No. 50-2012 - Confirming the appointment of Thomas K. Munns to the Board of Library Trustees.

1. Unable to attend

- F. Council Resolution No. 51-2012 - Confirming the appointment of Louise B. Riemer to the Board of Library Trustees.
 - 1. Louise Riemer - 10936 Battersea Lane, Columbia, MD 21044
- G. Council Resolution No. 52-2012 - Confirming the appointment of Tracy Snyder to the Board of Electrical Examiners.
 - 1. Tracy Snyder - 6419 Kristin Drive, Hanover, MD 21076
- H. Council Resolution No. 53-2012 - Confirming the appointment of Cory J. Summerson to the Public Works Board.
 - 1. Cory Summerson - 10470 Petersboro Road, Woodstock, MD 21163
- I. Council Resolution No. 54-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Reginald T. Avery to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.
- J. Council Resolution No. 55-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Samuel G. Crozier to the Historic District Commission.
- K. Council Resolution No. 56-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Mark D. Donovan to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.
- L. Council Resolution No. 57-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Yvonne C. Howard to the Board of Social Services.
- M. Council Resolution No. 58-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Athena Kan to the Commission for Women.
- N. Council Resolution No. 59-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Robert Seipel to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.
- O. Council Resolution No. 60-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Eileen Tennor to the Historic District Commission.
- P. Council Resolution No. 61-2012 - Confirming the reappointment of Tracey L. Williams to the Board of Social Services.

VI. Financial (Non-FY 2013 Budget)

- A. Supplemental Budget & Appropriation No. 8 - FY2012 - Transferring \$30,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Circuit Court in order to pay jury stipends.
 - 1. Judge Gelfman - Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court

- B. Council Resolution No. 62-2012 - Approving certain transfers between major categories of the Howard County Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2012; transferring \$3,102,500 to the Maintenance of Plant category; transferring \$720,000 to the Fixed Charges category; transferring \$1,209,800 to the Instruction-Textbook/Supplies category; and transferring \$2,720,000 to the Mid-Level Administration category.
 - 1. Woody Swinson - Budget Director, HCPSS
 - 2. Bob Granfield - 9518 Angelina Circle, Columbia, MD 21045

- C. Council Resolution No. 63-2012 - Adopted pursuant to the Maryland Economic Development Revenue Bond Act providing for the issuance by Howard County, Maryland, of up to \$6,000,000 of its limited obligation bonds and the loan of the proceeds thereof to Soccer Association of Columbia, Inc. to be used to (1) refund (a) the Howard County, Maryland Economic Development Revenue Bond (Soccer Association of Columbia Facility) 2008 Issue and (b) Howard County, Maryland Economic Development Revenue Bond (Soccer Association of Columbia Facility) 2003 Issue; and (2) finance the costs of constructing, equipping and improvement of a grass soccer field and additional parking at the existing soccer complex in Ellicott City in the County, costs of issuance and other related costs; reserving certain rights; providing for the issuance of bond anticipation notes for such purposes; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for or approve certain matters, details, documents or procedures; and specifying and describing various matters in connection therewith.
 - 1. Jen Sager - County Administration
 - 2. Jim Carlin - COO Soccer Association of Columbia - 7920 Tralee Court, Laurel, MD 20723

VII. General

- A. Council Bill No. 14-2012 - Amending the Howard County Employees' Retirement Plan to ensure that a cost of living adjustment can never be negative; to correct the name of a certain index; and generally relating to the Howard County Employees' Retirement Plan.

- B. Council Bill No. 15-2012 - Amending the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan to ensure that a cost of living adjustment can never be negative; to correct the name of a certain index; and generally relating to the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan.
 - 1. Todd Allen - County Human Resource Administrator and Chairperson of the HC Retirement Plan

- C. Council Resolution No. 64-2012 - Authorizing the sale of a surplus mainframe to the Charles County Public School System.
 - 1. Jen Sager - County Administration

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

- E. Council Resolution No. 66-2012 - Introduced by the Chairperson - Calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on June 1, 2012.

VIII. Budget

- A. Council Bill No. 16-2012 - 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.
 - 1. Marilyn Weeks - DILP
- B. Council Bill No. 17-2012 - Amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; providing pay scales 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.
 - 1. Art Griffin - Human Resources
- C. Council Bill No. 18-2012 - 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.
 - 1. Jean Daniello - Chair Commission Disability Issues
 - 2. Richard Cohen - former Chair Commission on Disability Issues
 - 3. Stanley Daniello - 5018 West Running Brook Road, Columbia, MD 21044
- D. Council Bill No. 19-2012 - 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.
- E. Council Bill No. 20-2012 - 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.

- F. Council Bill No. 21-2012 - 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.
- G. Council Bill No. 22-2012 - 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 therewith.
- H. Council Resolution No. 67-2012 - Approving the Capital Program for Howard County for Fiscal Years 2014 through 2018 and the Extended Capital Program for Fiscal Years 2019 through 2022.
- I. Council Resolution No. 68-2012 - Approving the Fiscal Year 2013 operating budget for the Howard Community College and indicating appropriations for major functional categories.
- J. Council Resolution No. 69-2012 - Approving the Fiscal Year 2013 budget for the Howard County Library System and indicating appropriations for object classes.
- K. Council Resolution No. 70-2012 - Setting forth the Fiscal Year 2013 Operating Budget for the Howard County Board of Education.
- L. Council Resolution No. 71-2012 - Approving schedules for charges pertaining to the Metropolitan District, to water and sewer service, and to shared sewage disposal facilities.
- M. Council Resolution No. 72-2012 - Approving schedules of fees for the functions regulated by the Department of Public Works.
- N. Council Resolution No. 73-2012 - Approving schedules of fees, fines and charges for functions regulated by the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits.
- O. Council Resolution No. 74-2012 - Approving schedules of fees and charges for functions regulated or administered by the Department of Planning and Zoning.

- P. Council Resolution No. 75-2012 - Adopting a schedule of fees for functions regulated by the Department of Finance, including a schedule of fees for parking meter rates.
- Q. Council Resolution No. 76-2012 - Approving schedules of fees and rates for functions regulated and administered by the Department of Police.
- R. Council Resolution No. 77-2012 - 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;
 - 6. Participation in home detention program;
 - 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;
 - 9. Fee and specifications for transcripts of administrative proceedings; and
 - 10. Reproduction of public records.
- S. Council Resolution No. 78-2012 - Levying a tax on certain admissions and amusements, establishing classes of admissions and amusements, setting tax rates on different classes, and providing for certain exemptions from the tax.
- T. Council Resolution No. 79-2012 - Establishing a recordation tax rate on instruments of writing that are recorded with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.
- U. Council Resolution No. 80-2012 - Adopting the schedule of rates for the Building Excise Tax.
- V. Council Resolution No. 81-2012 - Levying Fire and Rescue tax rates beginning July 1, 2012.
- W. Council Resolution No. 82-2012 - Levying a property tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013; setting the tax rates for property; and providing for the collection of the property tax.

IX. Adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

X. Tabled Legislation

- A. 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.