

## **Howard County Council**

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Minutes (approved) FY 2013 Operating Budget Work Session May 10, 2012

Chairperson Sigaty called the work session to order at 9:40 a.m. on May 10, 2012, in the C. Vernon Gray Room, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD.

Members Present: Calvin Ball, Greg Fox, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jennifer Terrasa, and Courtney Watson.

The Council discussed highlights of operating budgets with department representatives, as follows. Ray Wacks, Budget Director, participated in the discussion of all budgets.

Recreations and Parks: John Byrd; Citizen Services: Lois Mikkila; Transportation: John Powell; Mental Health Authority: Donna Wells; Social Services: Charlene Gallion; University of Maryland Cooperative Extension: Rick Walter and Tom Miller; Community Services Partnerships: Lois Mikkila.

Mr. Wacks also gave a summary of revenue projections and lead a review fee changes with representatives of the appropriate departments.

Finally, Mr. Wacks provided an explanation of the previously provided pro forma for the fire tax.

Items for follow up by the Administration: 1) CSP: breakdown of all changes from last year;

2) Head Start: funds for the new site and how the funds will be used;

3) Homelessness program: breakdown of how the funds will be used;

4) Cash flow statement for building excise tax revenues; and

5) Building excise tax: Breakdown of "addition" vs. "new "for residential and non-residential.

The work session adjourned at 2:38 pm.