



# Howard County Council

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## COUNCILMEMBERS

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District 4  
David Yungmann  
District 5

## Minutes Approved

Legislative Public Hearing  
Monday, May 16, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting (Virtual and In-Person Meeting)  
Video Streamed on <https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Online-Tools/Watch-Us>  
Broadcast on channels 44(Verizon) and 99(Comcast)

**Members Present:** Dr. Opel Jones, Chairperson; Christiana Rigby, Vice Chairperson; Deb Jung, Council Member; Liz Walsh, Council Member; and David Yungmann, Council Member.

**Members Absent:** David Yungmann, Council Member.

**Staff Present:** Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Craig Glendening, County Auditor; Owen Clark, Fiscal Manager II; Michael Martin, Fiscal Manager I; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Maureen Arthurs, Director of Government Affairs; Jeff Meyers, Senior Legislative Analyst; Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant and Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Support were also present.

- I. Call Meeting to Order
  - a. Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Hearing

### A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 44-2022 – Introduced by Deb Jung - A RESOLUTION appointing Nadine Bernard to the Citizens' Election Fund Commission. (No expiration)
  - a. Nadine Bernard, called to speak
2. Council Resolution 45-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Herman Charity to the Police Accountability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Herman Charity, called to speak

3. Council Resolution 46-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James Gormley to the Police Accountability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. James Gormley, called to speak
4. Council Resolution 47-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Nellie Hutt, Esquire, to the Police Accountability Board as a member and as Chairperson. (No expiration)
  - a. Nellie Hutt, called to speak
5. Council Resolution 48-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Brenda McChriston, MA, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, to the Police Accountability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Brenda McChriston, called to speak.
6. Council Resolution 49-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ricardo Morales to the Police Accountability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Ricardo Morales, called to speak
7. Council Resolution 50-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Paul Rivers to the Police Accountability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Paul Rivers, called to speak
8. Council Resolution 51-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Arnettia Wyre, Esquire, MBA, to the Police Accountability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Arnettia Wyre, called to speak
9. Council Resolution 52-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michelle Henry to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Michelle Henry, called to speak
10. Council Resolution 53-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Wayne C. Howard to the Personnel Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Wayne Howard, called to speak
11. Council Resolution 54-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Terri Taylor to the Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (No expiration)
  - a. Terry Taylor, called to speak

## **B. Reappointments**

1. Council Resolution 55-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Kevin McAiley to the Planning Board. (No expiration)

## **B. Financial (Non FY-2023 Budget)**

1. Council Resolution 56-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving certain transfers between major categories of the Howard County Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2022; transferring a total of \$280,000 to the Capital Outlay Category from the Operation of Plant and Maintenance of Plant Categories; and generally relating to the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget of the Board of Education. (No expiration)
  - a. Darin Conforti, Executive Director of Budget - HCPSS, called to speak

## **D. General**

1. Council Bill 29-2022 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Howard County Local 1810 Council 67, AFL-CIO that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 “Human Resources” of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; approving a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Howard County Local 1810 Council 67, AFL-CIO that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2024 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Howard County Local 1810 Council 67, AFL-CIO. (Expires 8/13/22; 9/17/2022 if extended; or 10/22/22 if extended twice)
  - a. John Peterson, Assistant CAO - Administration, called to speak.
2. Council Bill 30-2022 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Public Safety Dispatchers Association that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 “Human Resources” of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; approving a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Public Safety Dispatchers Association that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2024 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Public Safety Dispatchers Association. (Expires 8/13/22; 9/17/2022 if extended; or 10/22/22 if extended twice)
  - a. John Peterson, Assistant CAO - Administration, called to speak
  - b. Jessie Vollmerhausen, called to speak
  - c. Shawn Simmonds, HC Public Safety Dispatchers Association, called to speak
3. Council Bill 31-2022 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Howard County Local 3080 Council 67, AFL-CIO that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 “Human Resources” of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; approving a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County

and Municipal Employees Howard County Local 3080 Council 67, AFL-CIO that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2024 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Howard County Local 3080 Council 67, AFL-CIO. (Expires 8/13/22; 9/17/2022 if extended; or 10/22/22 if extended twice)

a. John Peterson, CAO - Administration, called to speak.

## **E. Budget**

1. Council Bill 32-2022 - AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; providing pay scales for employees; providing certain specialty pay; amending certain overtime provisions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.
  - a. Stacey Simmons, Office of Human Resources, called to speak
2. Council Bill 33-2022 - AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County to amend the required skills and abilities, educational and certification requirements for certain positions; removing certain positions from the Classification Plan; adding certain positions to the Classification Plan; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan.
  - a. Stacey Simmons, Office of Human Resources, called to speak
3. Council Bill 34-2022 - AN ACT adopting the current expense budget and the capital budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, to be known as the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Howard County, Fiscal Year 2023.
  - a. Brent Loveless, PTACHC Council, called to speak
4. Council Bill 35-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$124,985,979 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations 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, police projects and traffic improvements projects), which are specified and described in the County's 2023 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 or other obligations; 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.
5. Council Bill 36-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$4,133,000 on

its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain General County projects as more particularly described in the County's 2023 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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 amounts collected by the Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

6. Council Bill 37-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$55,888,524 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County water and sewer capital projects which are specified and described in the County's 2023 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 or other obligations; 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.
7. Council Bill 38-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$250,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County environmental services fund projects as more particularly described in the County's 2023 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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 amounts held in the Environmental Services Special Revenue Fund and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.
8. Council Bill 39-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in a principal amount of up to \$11,692,305 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County road construction projects which are specified and described in the County's 2023 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain of such capital projects previously authorized), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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.
9. Council Bill 40-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$15,751,000 on

its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County watershed protection and restoration projects as more particularly described in the County's 2023 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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 amounts held in the Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

10. Council Bill 41-2022 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$5,666,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County broadband projects as more particularly described in the County's 2023 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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 amounts held in the Non-County Government BBI Fund and the Private Sector BBI Fund and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.
11. Council Resolution 57-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving the Capital Program for Howard County for Fiscal Years 2024 through 2028 and the Extended Capital Program for Fiscal Years 2029 through 2032.
12. Council Resolution 58-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2023 operating budget for the Howard Community College and indicating appropriations for major functional categories.
13. Council Resolution 59-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2023 budget for the Howard County Library System and indicating appropriations for object classes.
14. Council Resolution 60-2022 - A RESOLUTION setting forth the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for the Howard County Board of Education.
15. Council Resolution 61-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2023 budget for the Howard County Health Department and indicating appropriations for object classes.
16. Council Resolution 62-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules for charges pertaining to the Metropolitan District, to water and sewer service, and to shared sewage disposal facilities.
17. Council Resolution 63-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees for the functions regulated by the Department of Public Works.
18. Council Resolution 64-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees, fines and charges for functions regulated by the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits.

19. Council Resolution 65-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and charges for functions regulated or administered by the Department of Planning and Zoning.
20. Council Resolution 66-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and rates for functions regulated and administered by the Department of Police.
21. Council Resolution 67-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fines and penalties for violations of and administrative costs related to enforcement of Howard County's parking laws, including administrative handling fees for parking citations and citations under the automated red-light enforcement program.
22. Council Resolution 68-2022 - 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; (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.
23. Council Resolution 69-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting schedules for various charges related to the Watershed Protection and Restoration Fee.
24. Council Resolution 70-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting fee schedules for functions of the Health Department.
25. Council Resolution 71-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting a Schedule of Fees for inspections conducted by the Department of Fire and Rescue Services.
26. Council Resolution 72-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving a Reimbursement Schedule for the Emergency Medical Services Reimbursement Program.
27. Council Resolution 73-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting a schedule of fees for functions regulated by the Department of Finance.
28. Council Resolution 74-2022 - A RESOLUTION 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.
29. Council Resolution 75-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting the schedule of rates for the Building Excise Tax.
30. Council Resolution 76-2022 - A RESOLUTION levying a fire and rescue tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 and setting the tax rate for the fire and rescue tax.
31. Council Resolution 77-2022 - A RESOLUTION levying a property tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023; setting the tax rates for property; and providing for the collection of the property tax.

32. Council Resolution 78-2022 - A RESOLUTION setting the fee-in-lieu rate for moderate income housing.
33. Council Resolution 79-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting the Transfer Tax, the tax on every instrument of writing conveying title to real or leasehold property offered for a record and recorded in Howard County with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, and providing for certain exemptions from the tax.
34. Council Resolution 80-2022 - A RESOLUTION establishing a recordation tax rate on instruments of writing that are recorded with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM**

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