COUNTY COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND

2022 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 9 June 6, 2022

HOWARD COUNTY TO WIT:

The Vice Chairperson called the legislative session to order at 07:04 p.m.

Vice Chairperson Christiana Rigby, Council Member Deb Jung, Council Member Liz Walsh, and Council Member David Yungmann were present.

Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Maureen Arthurs, Director of Government Affairs; Theo Wimberly, Legislative Analyst; and Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant was also present.

APPROVE JOURNALS AND MINUTES

Vice Chairperson Rigby moved to approve the Journals for Legislative Sessions May 4, 2022, and May 25, 2022. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jung.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Jung, Rigby and Walsh. Abstain: Council Member Yungmann.

The motion to approve the journals passed.

Vice Chairperson Rigby moved to approve the Minutes of:

Operating Budget Work Session #1 – May 2, 2022

Operating Budget Work Session #2 – May 4, 2022

Constant Yield Tax Hearing – May 4, 2022

Operating Budget Public Hearing – May 9, 2022

Operating Budget Work Session #3 – May 11, 2022

Capital and Operating Budget Public Hearing – May 12, 2022

Operating Budget Work Session #4 – May 13, 2022

Operating Budget Work Session #5 – May 16, 2022

Legislative Public Hearing – May 16, 2022

Operating Budget Work Session #5 continued – May 17, 2022

Operating Budget Work Session #6 – May 23, 2022

The motion was seconded by Ms. Jung.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Jung, Rigby and Walsh. Abstain: Council Member Yungmann.

The motion to approve the minutes passed.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Appointments

Council Resolution 82-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of M. Shafeeq Ahmed, MD, MBA to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 83-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elizabeth Banach to the Board of Library Trustees. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 84-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gabrielle Demuren to the Recreation and Parks Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 85-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Beth Sandbower Harbinson to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 86-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Sara Kaman to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 87-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Stephanie Lyon to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 88-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Holly Erin Mays to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 89-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Daniel Nees to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 90-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James J. Obasiolu to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 91-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Cris Oviedo to the Howard County Local Children's Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 92-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Julie T. Parham to the Board of Library Trustees. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 93-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Greta E. Swanson, JD to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 94-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bryan Weinstein, PE, AI/PE to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 95-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dr. Daria J. Willis to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority. (*No expiration*)

Reappointments

Council Resolution 96-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jennifer H. Asher to the Commission on Aging. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 97-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Grace Morris to the Housing and Community Development Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 98-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sierra Sewchand to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission. (*No expiration*)

Financial

Council Bill 42-2022 - AN ACT making emergency appropriations pursuant to Section 610(b) of the Howard County Charter and amending the Annual Budget and Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2022 to provide additional spending authority in the Fleet Fund due to significant fuel cost increases; and declaring that this Act is an Emergency Bill necessary to meet a public emergency affecting life, health or property. (Expires 8/15/22; 9/19/2022 if extended; or 10/24/22 if extended twice)

Council Bill 43-2022 - AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 29.24 acres of agricultural land located at 6940 Haviland Mill Road, Clarksville, Howard County, Maryland, from Eric O'Keefe and Jennifer Shrader or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$927,500 or, if less, not more than \$31,720 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith. (Expires 8/15/22; 9/19/2022 if extended; or 10/24/22 if extended twice)

Council Bill 44-2022 - AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 25.77 acres of agricultural land located at 6950 Haviland Mill Road, Clarksville, Howard County, Maryland, from Scott O'Keefe and Sally O'Keefe or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$791,700 or, if less in acreage, not more than

\$30,720 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith. (Expires 8/15/22; 9/19/2022 if extended; or 10/24/22 if extended twice)

General

Council Bill 45-2022 - AN ACT clarifying that the building excise tax shall include parking garages and any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any occupancy; and generally relating to the building excise tax. (Expires 8/15/22; 9/19/2022 if extended; or 10/24/22 if extended twice)

Council Bill 46-2022 - AN ACT amending provisions related to nonresidential construction in a floodplain in order to require that certain equipment and systems be elevated at least 2 feet above the 100-year flood level; prohibiting the placement of certain equipment and systems below the elevation of the lowest floor; and generally related to floodproofing in Howard County. (Expires 8/15/22; 9/19/2022 if extended; or 10/24/22 if extended twice)

Council Resolution 99-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting the Housing Unit Allocation Chart for Fiscal Year 2023 pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 100-2022 - A RESOLUTION adopting the School Capacity Chart, pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County, to designate the elementary school regions, and the elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools constrained for new residential development during each of the following ten years as based on the definition of program capacity as defined by Howard County Public School System policy. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 101-2022 - A RESOLUTION approving an application by Barbara Spence to sell to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation an agricultural land preservation easement on property located at 2825 Florence Road in Woodbine, Howard County, Maryland and shown as Tax Map 7, Parcel 259, consisting of approximately 14.358 acres. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 102-2022 - Introduced by Liz Walsh; Co-sponsored by Deb Jung and Christiana Rigby - A RESOLUTION requesting Governor Hogan to immediately release specified funds for the Abortion Care Clinical Training Program established under Maryland law. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 103-2022 – Introduced by the Chairperson - A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on a specified date. (*No expiration*)

Council Bill 47-2022 - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the Howard County Ethics Commission - AN ACT amending the Howard County Ethics Code to conform to state law changes; adding a definition; requiring the Howard County Ethics Commission to certify compliance with certain requirements and submit a certain report on or before a certain date each year; amending certain provisions relating to the solicitation and acceptance of gifts and disclosure of confidential information; adding a certain anti-retaliation provision; amending certain provisions relating to financial disclosure statements; and generally relating to the Howard County Ethics Code. (Expires 8/15/22; 9/19/2022 if extended; or 10/24/22 if extended

twice

FINAL CONSIDERATION

Appointments

After hearing no objections, the Administrator read Council Resolutions 44-, 45-, 46-, 47-, 48-, 49-, 50-, 51-, 52-, 53-, 54-, and 55-2022 together for a single combined roll call vote.

Council Resolution 44-2022 – Introduced by Deb Jung - A RESOLUTION appointing Nadine Bernard to the Citizens' Election Fund Commission. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 45-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Herman Charity to the Police Accountability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 46-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James Gormley to the Police Accountability Board. (*No expiration*)

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*)

Council Resolution 48-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Brenda McChriston, MA, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, to the Police Accountability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 49-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ricardo Morales to the Police Accountability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 50-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Paul Rivers to the Police Accountability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 51-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Arnettia Wyre, Esquire, MBA, to the Police Accountability Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 52-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michelle Henry to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 53-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Wayne C. Howard to the Personnel Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 54-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Terri Taylor to the Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (*No expiration*)

Reappointments

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

Vice Chairperson Rigby moved to approve Council Resolutions 44-, 45-, 46-, 47-, 48-, 49-, 50-, 51-, 52-, 53-, 54-, and 55-2022. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jung.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve Council Resolutions 44-, 45-, 46-, 47-, 48-, 49-, 50-, 51-, 52-, 53-, 54- and 55-2022 was: Yea: Council Members Jung, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve Council Resolution 44-, 45-, 46-, 47-, 48- 49, 50-, 51-, 52-, 53-, 54-, and 55-2022 passed.

General

Council Resolution 103-2022 – Introduced by the Chairperson - A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on a specified date. (*No expiration*)

Vice Chairperson Rigby moved to approve Council Resolution 103-2022. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jung.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve Council Resolution 103-2022 was: Yea: Council Members Jung, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve Council Resolution 103-2022 passed.

Adjourned at 7:24 p.m.