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Minutes (Approved) Legislative Public Hearing Tuesday, June 21, 2022, 7:06 p.m. Hybrid and In-Person Streamed at https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Online-Tools/Watch-Us Broadcast Channels 44 (Verizon) and 99 (Comcast)

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

**Staff Present:** Michelle Harrod, Council Administrator; Theodore Wimberly, Administrative Manager to the County Council; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County, Solicitor; Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant, Administrative Support.

- I. Called to Order at 7:06 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Honorary Resolutions
- III. Public Hearing
- A. Appointments
- 1. 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*)
  - a. Mohammed Ahmed, Clarksville called to speak
- 2. Council Resolution 83-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elizabeth Banach to the Board of Library Trustees. (*No expiration*)
  - a. Elizabeth Banach, Woodbine called to speak
- Council Resolution 84-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gabrielle Demuren to the Recreation and Parks Board. (*No expiration*) (410) 313-2001 fax: (410) 313-3297

- a. Gabrielle Demuren, Clarksville, called to speak
- 4. Council Resolution 85-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Beth Sandbower Harbinson to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board. (*No expiration*)
  - a. Beth Harbinson, Ellicott City called to speak
  - b. Joel Hurewitz, Columbia called to speak
- 5. Council Resolution 86-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Sara Kaman to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board. (*No expiration*)
  - a. Sara Kaman, Columbia called to speak
- 6. Council Resolution 87-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Stephanie Lyon to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (*No expiration*)
  - a. Stephanie Lyon called to speak
- 7. Council Resolution 88-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Holly Erin Mays to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Holly Mays called to speak
- 8. Council Resolution 89-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Daniel Nees to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)
  - a. Daniel Nees called to speak
- 9. Council Resolution 90-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James J. Obasiolu to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. James Obasiolu called to speak
- 10. Council Resolution 91-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Cris Oviedo to the Howard County Local Children's Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Chris Oviedo called to speak
- 11. Council Resolution 92-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Julie T. Parham to the Board of Library Trustees. (No expiration)
  - a. Julie Parham called to speak
- 12. Council Resolution 93-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Greta E. Swanson, JD to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (No expiration)

- a. Greta Swanson called to speak
- 13. Council Resolution 94-2022 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bryan Weinstein, PE, AI/PE to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (No expiration)
  - a. Bryan Weinstein called to speak
- 14. 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)
  - a. Daria Willis called to speak
- B. Reappointments

Council Resolution 96-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of 1. Jennifer H. Asher to the Commission on Aging. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 97-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of 2. 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*)

C. 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*)

- a. Robert Phillips, Administration called to speak
- 2. 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*)

- a. Joy Levy, Administration called to speak
- 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 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*)
  - a. Joy Levy, Administration called to speak
- 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)
  - a. Don Mock, Administration called to speak
  - b. Joel Hurewitz, Administration called to speak
- 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)
  - a. Don Mock, Administration called to speak
- 6. 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)
  - a. Jeff Bronow, Administration called to speak
  - b. Brent Loveless, PTACHC called to speak
- 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)

- a. Tim Rogers, HCPSS, called to speak
- a. Brent Loveless, PTACHC called to speak
- 8. 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)
  - a. Joy Levy, Administration called to speak
- 9. 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)
  - a. Dawn Popp, Columbia Democratic Club called to speak
  - b. Mahima Krishnamoorthi, Med Students for Choice called to speak
  - c. Jan Krebs, Maryland Affiliate American College of Nurse-Midwives
- 10. 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)
  - a. Joel Hurewitz, Columbia, MD called to speak
- D. Adjourned at 09:02 p.m.