COUNTY COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND

2022 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13 September 6, 2022

HOWARD COUNTY TO WIT:

The Chairperson called the legislative session to order at **7:06** p.m.

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

Theodore Wimberly, Acting Administrator; Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Maureen Arthurs, Director of Government Affairs; Jeff Meyers, Legislative Analyst; Margery Sayers, Executive Assistant and Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Support were also present.

APPROVE JOURNAL AND MINUTES

The Chairperson moved to approve the Journal for the Legislative Session July 27, 2022. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rigby.

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

The motion to approve the Journal passed.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Appointments

Council Resolution 114-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ronald A. Berk to the Commission on Aging. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 115-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Nicholas Brightwell to the Personnel Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 116-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bethany Cho to the Human Rights Commission. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 117-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elise Choe to the Howard County Local Children's Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 118-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joseph Dymek to the Howard County Agricultural Preservation Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 119-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michelle Kilkenny to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 120-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joanne Locke to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 121-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Barbara Mosier to the Planning Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 122-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Vernon J. Parks to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 123-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Tyera N. Sheppard to the Personnel Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 124-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Phil Scherer to the Multimodal Transportation Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 125-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Heather Stiltner to the Environmental Sustainability Board. (*No expiration*)

Reappointments

Council Resolution 126-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Candace Ball to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 127-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Renee Bitner to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 128-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Michael Griggs to the Commission for Veterans and Military Families. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 129-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Savannah A. Kaiss to the Howard County Agricultural Preservation Board. (*No expiration*) Council Resolution 130-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Savannah

A. Kaiss to the State Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board. (No expiration)

<u>General</u>

Council Bill 51-2022 – Introduced by David Yungmann - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to require all Howard County officials involved in the Maryland Public Information Act request process seek a formal review by the Howard County Office of Law before declaring any documents, emails, or materials as privileged; and generally relating Maryland Public Information Act requests. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 52-2022 - Introduced by Deb Jung - AN ACT amending the criteria, including the duration, for a property tax credit for seniors and retired military personnel in accordance with Chapter 267, Acts of the General Assembly of 2022; and generally relating to property tax credits. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 53-2022 - Introduced by Deb Jung - AN ACT clarifying that a Board or Commission must consist of at least five members; requiring a member of a Board or Commission to be a Howard County resident; providing for exceptions; and generally relating to Boards and Commissions. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 54-2022 - Introduced by Liz Walsh - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to prohibit the issuance of certain waivers or variances to Forest Conservation regulations for properties located in the Tiber Branch Watershed; requiring certain site design requirements in the Tiber Branch Watershed; altering the existing floodplain, wetland, stream, and steep slope waiver provisions for the Tiber Branch Watershed; requiring development in the Tiber Branch Watershed to meet its forest conservation obligations on-site; and generally relating to waivers or variances. (*Expires 11/5/22;* 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice)

Council Bill 55-2022 - Introduced by Deb Jung - AN ACT to enable the Zoning Board to issue a subpoena in certain circumstances; and generally relating to Zoning matters. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 56-2022 - Introduced by Liz Walsh - AN ACT amending the zoning regulation text amendment process by requiring a certain applicant for a zoning regulation text amendment to file a certain affidavit and disclosure; requiring certain applicants to file a certain affidavit or disclosure; requiring a technical staff report to include a list of certain impacted parcels of land under certain circumstances; requiring the Council Administrator to notify certain title owners of certain information and an obligation to file a certain affidavit and disclosure under certain circumstances; requiring the receipt of certain affidavits and disclosure before a bill may be added to the Council's legislative agenda

under certain circumstances; and generally relating to zoning regulation text amendments. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 57-2022 - Introduced by Christiana Rigby- AN ACT requiring the Department of Police to notify the Director of Public Works of certain fatalities; requiring the Director of Public Works, or the Director's designee, to conduct an infrastructure review when certain fatalities occur on a road or at an intersection; requiring consultation with the Office of Transportation; requiring the review to be complete within a certain time; requiring the review to be sent to specified recipients and published on the County website; and generally relating to traffic fatalities in the County. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 58-2022 - Introduced by Liz Walsh - AN ACT to set the rate of the Public School Facilities Surcharge for certain addition construction; and generally relating to the public school facilities surcharge. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Resolution 113-2022 - Introduced by the Chairperson - A RESOLUTION rescheduling a legislative session of the County Council of Howard County, Maryland. (*No expiration*)

Council Bill 59-2022 - AN ACT approving an amendment to a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the International Association of Firefighters, Howard County Local 2000 that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2024 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the International Association of Firefighters, Howard County Local 2000, that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 "Human Resources" of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the International Association of Firefighters, Howard County Local 2000. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 60-2022 - AN ACT approving an amendment to a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officers' Association Lodge 21 that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2024 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officers' Association Lodge 21, that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 "Human Resources" of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County Police Officers' Association Lodge 21. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 61-2022 - AN ACT approving an amendment to a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officers' Association Lodge 143 that will be effective through the end of Fiscal Year 2024 and that includes payment of certain compensation in future fiscal years; approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Police Officers' Association Lodge 143, that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 "Human Resources" of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the collective bargaining agreement between Howard County Police Officers' Association Lodge 143. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 62-2022 - AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County to amend the classification description; the required skills and abilities; and the minimum educational and certification requirements for certain public safety positions; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 63-2022 - AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; providing pay scales for certain public safety employees subject to certain Memorandums of Agreement; adding a step onto the Pay Scale for Emergency Communications Supervisors; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Bill 64-2022 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a Lease Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and Crestpointe III, LLC, for the lease of approximately 10,600 square feet of space located at 7090 Samuel Morse Drive Columbia, Maryland; authorizing the County Executive to make changes to the Agreement, under certain conditions; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Agreement; and generally relating to the Agreement. (*Expires 11/5/22; 12/20/2022 if extended; or 1/24/23 if extended twice*)

Council Resolution 131-2022 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to grant easements to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company so that it can extend three phase electric service to the Old Annapolis Brine Facility in Ellicott City; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easements if he finds that the property may have a further public use. (*No expiration*)

FINAL CONSIDERATION

Mr. Wimberly read all of the appointment and reappointment resolutions together and they were voted on together.

Chairperson Jones moved to approve CR104-2022; CR105-2022; CR106-2022; CR107-22 and CR108-2022. The motion was seconded by Council Member Rigby.

Appointments

Council Resolution 104-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Barbara Lynn Darley to the Public Works Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 105-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Victoria A. Myles to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 106-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elke Pieters to the Commission on Disabilities. (*No expiration*)

Council Resolution 107-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dr. Gina Santoro to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board. (*No expiration*)

Reappointments

Council Resolution 108-2022 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Antonia B. Watts to the Board of Library Trustees. (*No expiration*)

The roll call vote called by the Administrative Manager on the motion to approve CR104-2022; CR105-2022; CR106-2022; CR107-22 and CR108-2022 was: Yea: Council Members Jones, Jung, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CR104-2022; CR105-2022; CR106-2022; CR107-22 and CR108-2022 passed.

Adjourned at 7:21 PM