



Howard County Council

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Minutes (Approved)

Legislative Public Hearing

Monday, March 20, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Hybrid

Video Streamed at <https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Online-Tools/Watch-Us>
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Members Present: Christiana Rigby, Chairperson; Deb Jung, Vice Chairperson; Dr. Opel Jones, Council Member; Liz Walsh, Council Member; and David Yungmann, Council Member.

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

I. Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Scout Pack 108

III. Public Hearing

A. **Appointments**

1. **CR38-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ben S. Barlow to the Historic Preservation Commission.

a. Ben Barlow, called to speak

2. **CR40-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Shahriar Etemadi to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.
 - a. Shahriar Etemadj, called to speak
3. **CR41-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kellie L. Hollenbeck to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.
 - a. Kellie L. Hollenbeck, called to speak
4. **CR42-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Beth Ann Johnson to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.
 - a. Beth Ann Johnson, called to speak
5. **CR43-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Lily Peng to the Asian American and Pacific Islander Commission.
 - a. Lily Peng, called to speak
6. **CR44-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Robyn C. Scates, Esq. to the Howard County Board of Education.
 - a. Robyn C. Scates, Esq. called to speak
 - b. Kendra Jolivet, called to speak
 - c. Monica Ford-Little, called to speak
 - d. Gregory Yancey, called to speak
 - e. Audrey McLendon, called to speak
 - f. Christle Southall, called to speak
 - g. Chrishaun Jones, called to speak
 - h. Felicia Verrett-Dale, called to speak

Reappointments

7. **CR45-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Gary W. Kuc as County Solicitor.
8. **CR46-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Elizabeth Larney to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.
9. **CR47-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Ethan Marchant to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.
10. **CR48-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Fred Marino to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.

B. Financial

1. **CB8-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT providing for an extension of the property tax credit for high performance buildings and generally relating to the property tax credit for high performance buildings.
 - a. Jennifer Sager, Administration, called to speak
 - b. Joshua Feldmark, called to speak
2. **SAO1-FY2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT transferring \$47,737 from the General Fund, Orphan's Court to the Circuit Court, due to the elimination of the Orphan's Court.
 - a. Judge William Tucker, called to speak

C. General

1. **CB9-2023** - Introduced by the Chair at the request of BFEA-Curtis Farm, LLC AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to allow certain historic venues to be used as a Conditional Use Historic Building Uses, under certain conditions; and generally relating to Historic Building Uses.
 - a. Daniel Ganer, called to speak
 - b. Mark King, called to speak

- c. Elliott Cowan, called to speak
 - d. David Scott, called to speak
 - e. Noel Albizio, called to speak
 - f. Daon Juang, called to speak
 - g. Claude DeVastey Jones, called to speak
 - h. Tim Nary - President of Shipleys Grant Homeowners Association, called to speak
 - i. Jake Burdett, called to speak
 - j. Gregory Ruehl, called to speak
 - k. Jaina Baumgartner, called to speak
 - l. Mike Khandjian, called to speak
 - m. Ronica Johnson, called to speak
 - n. Aditya Polsani, called to speak
 - o. Jorge Rodriquez, called to speak
 - p. Anthony Harold, called to speak
 - q. Stephen Ferrandi - Owner, Historic Shipley Curtis Farm, called to speak
 - r. Ruth Robertson, called to speak
 - s. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak
 - t. Lisa Jensen, called to speak
2. **CB10-2023** - Introduced by Liz Walsh AN ACT to clarify the role of the hearing examiner to hear certain matters in the jurisdiction of the Zoning Board; specifying the powers and duties of, and the procedures used by, the hearing examiner, including in an evidentiary hearing; removing certain mediation procedures; specifying the rights and duties of persons of record in matters heard by the hearing examiner; providing for the process of petition applications for piecemeal map amendments and development plans;

allowing for certain conditional approvals; defining certain terms and rules of construction; and generally relating to Piecemeal map amendments and development plan approvals.

3. **CR49-2023** - Introduced by Liz Walsh at the request of the Zoning Board A. RESOLUTION approving Rules of Procedure of the Hearing Examiner that set out the procedures by which hearings will be conducted by a Hearing Examiner.
 - a. Joe Rutter, called to speak
 - b. Leonardy McClarty - President, HC Chamber, called to speak
 - c. Bruce Harvey, called to speak
 - d. Stu Kohn - President HCCA, called to speak
 - e. Isaac Ambruso, MBIA, called to speak
 - f. Joel Hurewitz, called to speak
4. **CR50-2023** - Introduced by the Chairperson A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates.
5. **CB11-2023** - Introduced by Opel Jones and Christiana Rigby AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to establish certain processes for certain audits by the Howard County Auditor's Office; and generally relating to the Howard County Auditor's Office.
 - a. Tracey Zeston, called to speak
 - b. Sharon Merriweather, called to speak
 - c. Laura Crandon, called to speak
 - d. Regan Mercer, called to speak
 - e. Laura Salganik - Co-Chair, Jewish Community Relations Council, called to speak
 - f. Lizz Hammon - Anti-Racist Education Alliance, called to speak
 - g. Dr. Tracey Williams - President, African American Community Roundtable of HC, called to speak
 - h. Bruce Nelson - Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., called to speak

- i. Lawrence Walker - Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. called to speak
- k. Trent Williams, called to speak
- l. John Taylor, called to speak
- j. Jessica Nichols - President, Columbia Democratic Club, called to speak
- k. Ron Martin - President of Psi Beta, called to speak
- l. Donna Hill Staton, called to speak
- m. Lisa Steptoe, called to speak
- n. Amanda Noble - Chair, Association of Local Government Auditors Advocacy Committee, called to speak
- o. Nancy Shih, called to speak
- p. Cynthia Jones, called to speak

Adjourned at 11:29 PM