



# Howard County Council

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Legislative Public Hearing

Approved Minutes

Monday, November 20, 2023

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)

7:00 p.m.

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

**Staff Present:** Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Craig Glendening, County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Owen Kahn, Senior Legislative Analyst, Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant and Trish Hammond, Administrative Aide were also present.

I. Call to Order at 7:15 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Public Hearing

Students Called To Testify

- a. Ashwin Hazarika called to speak for CR173-2023.
- b. Dallas Hoffman called to speak for CB45-2023.
- c. Herman Mason called to speak for CB45-2023.
- d. Earmon McCurdy called to speak for CB45-2023.
- e. Alwyn George Varghese called to speak for CB45-2023.
- f. Admichinaka Nonso-Agbo called to speak for CB45-2023.

A. Appointments

1. **CR134-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dana Couch to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board.
  - a. Dana Couch called to speak.
2. **CR154-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Xavier V. Bruce to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
  - a. Xavier V. Bruce called to speak.
3. **CR160-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Andrew Sherman to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
  - a. Andrew Sherman called to speak.
4. **CR172-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Cedric Brown to the Housing and Community Development Board.
  - a. Cedric Brown called to speak.
5. **CR173-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ashwin Hazarika to the Howard County Local Children's Board.
  - a. Ashwin Hazarika called to speak during Student Testimony.
6. **CR174-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Andrea LeWinter to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
  - a. Andrea LeWinter called to speak.
7. **CR176-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Elvira Dominguez McCullough to the La Alianza Latina Commission.

8. **CR177-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sharon Pinder to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
9. **CR178-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Yolanda Vazquez to the La Alianza Latina Commission.

B. General

1. **CB42-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT to implement State Law relating to police discipline, including provisions related to an Administrative Charging Committee and Trial Boards; providing for an Administrative Charging Committee under State Law; setting forth the qualifications for members, method of selection, and exclusions from membership; defining certain terms; requiring the advertisement of certain vacancies; providing for budget and staff; requiring a minimum number of meetings; requiring certain training; providing for the terms of Committee members; allowing for certain stipends; setting forth the duties of the Committee; requiring that members submit to certain background investigations; authorizing the adoption of Rules of Procedure; providing for certain legal representation; authorizing the Committee to take certain actions in accordance with State Law; requiring members to maintain confidentiality; requiring civilian members to provide financial disclosure statements; providing for the removal of members; requiring each law enforcement agency to establish a Trial Board process in accordance with State Law; providing for certain legal representation and budget; requiring civilian members of the Trial Board to submit financial disclosure statements; and generally relating to police discipline in Howard County.

a. Patrick Pope, County Administration called to speak.

*CB41-2023, CR179-2023, and CR180-2023 were read together.*

2. **CB41-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT amending the Adequate Public Facilities Act in order to remove references to specific types of housing unit allocations; removing references to “geographic” targets as a basis for the housing unit allocation chart; and generally relating to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.
  - a. Jeff Bronow, County Administration called to speak.
  - b. Brent Loveless, PTA Council of Howard County called to speak.

3. **CR179-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION adopting the Housing Unit Allocation Chart pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.
  - a. Jeff Bronow, County Administration called to speak.
  - b. Brent Loveless, PTA Council of Howard County called to speak.
  - c. Jackie Eng, Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition called to speak.
  
4. **CR180-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION adopting the School Capacity Chart, pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.
  - a. Jeff Bronow, County Administration called to speak.
  - b. Brent Loveless, PTA Council of Howard County called to speak.
  
5. **CR181-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION declaring that a portion of certain real property consisting of 0.376 acres of land located on Rogers Avenue and owned by Howard County, Maryland is no longer needed by the County for public purpose; authorizing the County Executive to convey the property to Our Lady's Center, Inc., in exchange for the acquisition of 0.548 acres of adjacent property owned by Our Lady's Center; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the County Code in connection with the property's conveyance; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the County's interest in the property if he finds that the property may have a further public use.
  - a. Emily Iacchei, County Administration called to speak.
  
6. **CR182-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION endorsing the 2023 RTA/Howard County Transit Development Plan as a guide for future transit development in Howard County and in the Central Maryland region.
  - a. Bruce Gartner, County Administration called to speak.
  
7. **CR183-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION approving the terms and conditions of a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement by and between the Howard County, Maryland and Waverly Winds, LLC for property located at 5501-5627 Cedar Lane, which will comprise a mixed-income, rental housing development to be known as Building A of Waverly Winds Apartments.
  - a. Kelly Cimino, County Administration called to speak.

- b. Kisiel, Enterprise Community Development Inc. called to speak.
  - c. Jackie Eng, Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition called to speak.
  - d. Jennifer Solpietro, Howard Progressive Project called to speak.
  - e. Paul Revelle, Community Homes Housing Inc. called to speak.
5. **CR184-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION approving the terms and conditions of a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement by and between the Howard County, Maryland and Waverly Winds Four, LLC for property located at 5501-5627 Cedar Lane, which will comprise a mixed-income, rental housing development to be known as Building B of Waverly Winds Apartments.
- a. Kelly Cimino, County Administration called to speak.
  - b. Kisiel, Enterprise Community Development Inc. called to speak.
  - c. Jennifer Solpietro, Howard Progressive Project called to speak.
  - d. Paul Revelle, Community Homes Housing Inc. called to speak.
  - e. Jackie Eng, Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition called to speak.
5. **CB45-2023** - Introduced by Liz Walsh  
 An ACT requiring a restaurant that offers children’s meals for sale to offer a certain number of healthy children’s meals for sale; specifying the options required for a certain children’s meal; requiring a restaurant that offers for sale a children’s meal with a beverage to include a certain default beverage; preserving a consumer’s choice to purchase and a restaurant’s right to sell a children’s meal other than a healthy children’s meal; requiring the Howard County Department of Health to create and disseminate certain written informational resources; providing for the enforcement of this Act; providing for the severability of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to healthy meals for children.
- a. Willie Flowers, NAACP Howard County called to speak.
  - b. Emily Friedman, Center for Science in the Public Interest called to speak.
  - c. Oluwatosin Olateju, Maryland Public Health Association called to speak.
  - d. Naisha Feliciano Brown called to speak.
  - e. Mildred Lockhart Boyd called to speak.

- f. Glen Schneider, Horizon Foundation called to speak.
- g. Danielle Clifford-Earles called to speak.
- h. Brendan Mahoney, Restaurant Association of Maryland called to speak.
- i. Yvonne Commodore-Mensah called to speak.
- j. Laura Hale, American Heart Association called to speak.
- k. Mae Beale called to speak.
- l. Dana Couch called to speak.

**CB45-2023** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive  
Co-sponsor Christiana Rigby

An ACT authorizing the County or the Housing Commission to assign the right to purchase by written agreement to certain entities who may acquire or finance the purchase of rental housing; clarifying the time that an offer shall remain open; amending the minimum number of affordable units; defining certain terms; providing that certain assignments may be recorded; requiring that certain covenants be recorded; and generally related to the notice and right to purchase rental housing.

- a. Kelly Cimino, County Administration called to speak.
- b. Peter Engel, Howard County Housing Commission called to speak.
- c. Alex Andelsman, Maryland Building Industry Association called to speak.
- d. Jackie Eng, Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition called to speak.
- e. Chinelo Osakwe, Maryland Multi-Housing Association called to speak.
- f. Mark Moxley called to speak.

IV. Adjourn at 10:17 p.m.