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Legislative Public Hearing Continuation Monday, December 4, 2023 Hybrid Meeting (Virtual and In-Person Meeting) Video Streamed on <u>https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/watch-us</u>

Broadcast on channels 44(Verizon) and 99(Comcast) 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Owen Clark, Acting County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Owen Kahn, Senior Legislative Analyst, and Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant and were also present.

- I. Call to Order at 7:51 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Hearing
- A. General
- 1. CB44-2023 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Co-sponsor(s) Christiana Rigby

AN ACT prohibiting the increase in the amount of rent over a specified amount for certain regulated units; requiring the publication of the permitted amount of rent increase; allowing a landlord to apply for a capital improvement surcharge upon a showing of certain criteria; allowing a fair return for a regulated unit; providing certain exemptions; defining certain terms; requiring that certain fees be prominently displayed; setting forth penalties; inserting a severability clause; providing for the abrogation of certain provisions of this Act; establishing a workgroup to study the effect of this Act; and generally relating to rental increases in Howard County.

a. Leif Powers called to speak.

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- b. Tracy Rezani, County Administration, called to speak.
- c. Tony Zowd, HCCAR, called to speak.
- d. Colin Sullivan, Howard County Young Democrats, called to speak.
- e. Kelly Kinefelter, Howard Progressive Project, called to speak.
- f. Kathleen Uy called to speak.
- g. Grasen Wiggins, MD Multi-Housing Association, called to speak.
- h. Aaron Greenfield, Maryland Multi-Housing Association, called to speak.
- i. Alex Andelsman, Maryland Building Industry Association, called to speak.
- j. Alexander Seawright called to speak.
- k. Christopher Costello, Howard County Chamber of Commerce, called to speak.
- 1. Councilman Martin Mitchell called to speak.
- m. Blair Chisholm, HoCo Rent Stabilization, called to speak.
- n. Naisha Feliciano Brown called to speak.
- o. Pat Sylvester, Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition, called to speak.
- p. Mary Laituri called speak.
- q. Beth Velsaquez-Sneddon called to speak.
- r. Diana Lyles called to speak.
- s. Kevin Jeudy called to speak.
- t. Francis Konu called to speak.
- u. Shari Underwood called to speak.
- v. Eduardo Riberio called to speak.
- w. Chris Alleva called to speak.

- x. Connor Gephart called to speak.
- y. James Bell called to speak.
- z. Jose' Terrasa called to speak.
- aa. Hiruy Hadgu, HCCA, called to speak.
- bb. Calondra Young called to speak.
- cc. Alex Vasquez, CASA, called to speak.
- dd. Duane Satorius called to speak.
- ee. Keyona Butts called to speak.
- ff. Jake Burdett, Our Revolution Howard County, called to speak.
- gg. Carla Tevelow, Progressive Democrats of Howard County, called to speak.
- hh. Alan Schneider called to speak.
- ii. Dan Hajdo called to speak.
- jj. John Migliore called to speak.
- kk. Taneeka Richardson called to speak.
- IV. Adjourn at 10:57 p.m.