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#### <u>Agenda</u>

Legislative Session Monday, March 4, 2024 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.

Legislative Session

Day # 3

Approve Journal

Legislative Session - February 5, 2024

Approve Minutes

Joint Meeting with Board of Education – February 12, 2024 Legislative Public Hearing – February 20, 2024 Legislative Work Session – February 27, 2024 Closed Meeting – February 27, 2024

Introduction

#### **Appointments**

- CR23-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Appointing Hannah Eunji Chang to the Commission for Women. Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Hannah Eunji Chang to the Commission for Women.
- CR24-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Appointing Kristen Mahoney to the Commission for Women. Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kristen Mahoney to the Commission for Women.

- CR25-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Appointing Ted L. Meyerson to the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection. Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ted L. Meyerson to the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection.
- CR26-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Appointing Shannon B. Taitt to the Commission for Women. Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Shannon B. Taitt to the Commission for Women.
- CR27-2024 Introduced by Christiana Rigby Short Title: Appointment - Robbyn Harris – Board of Appeals Title: A RESOLUTION appointing Robbyn Harris to the Board of Appeals of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on December 31, 2028.

#### **Reappointments**

- CR28-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Reappointing Lynda Earle to the Human Rights Commission. Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Lynda Earle to the Human Rights Commission. Administration requested resolution not be introduced
- CR29-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Reappointing Pedro Ramirez to the Public Works Board. Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Pedro Ramirez to the Public Works Board.

#### **Financial**

**CR30-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Amending the Health Department Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget to receive funding from the State of Maryland.

Title: A RESOLUTION amending the Howard County Health Department Operating Budget, as adopted by Council Resolution No. 70-2023, to account for additional funding received from the State of Maryland; and generally relating to the Health Department Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2024.

#### **General**

**CB10-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Amending the Howard County Retirement Plan to create an enhanced normal retirement benefit for Dispatchers.

Title: AN ACT amending the Howard County Retirement Plan in order to create an enhanced normal retirement benefit for Dispatchers, adding and amending certain definitions; increasing the amount of employee pick up contributions to be made by participating Dispatchers, changing the normal retirement age for participating Dispatchers and generally relating to the Howard County Retirement Plan. *expires* – 05/13/2024; *extended* – 06/17/2024; *extended twice* – 07/22/2024

CB11-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Adopting the 2023 National Electrical Code and local amendments. Title: AN ACT adopting the 2023 National Electrical Code as the Electrical Code for Howard County; regulating the design, construction, alteration, improvement or modification to electrical equipment; adopting certain local amendments to the Electrical Code; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the electrical code in Howard County.

expires - 05/13/2024; extended - 06/17/2024; extended twice - 07/22/2024

- CB12-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Amending the membership of the Local Children's Board. Title: AN ACT amending the membership of the Local Children's Board to add certain ex officio members and to amend the total number of members accordingly; and generally relating to the Local Children's Board. *expires* – 05/13/2024; *extended* – 06/17/2024; *extended twice* – 07/22/2024
- CR31-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Authorizing the sale of certain microwave network equipment. Title: A RESOLUTION authorizing the sale of certain microwave network equipment owned by Howard County to the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems upon such terms and conditions as the County Purchasing Agent deems proper..
- **CR32-2024** Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Short Title: Granting the renewal of a cable franchise agreement to Comcast of Howard County, LLC.

Title: A RESOLUTION pursuant to the Howard County Cable Televisions Systems Franchise Act, granting the renewal of a cable franchise agreement to Comcast of Howard County, LLC under certain terms and conditions.

CB13-2024 - Introduced by Deb Jung

Short Title: Trap-Neuter-Return Program – Establishment Title: AN ACT establishing the Trap-Neuter-Return program for community cats, specifying the purpose and administration of the program, defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Trap-Neuter-Return program. expires - 05/13/2024; extended - 06/17/2024; extended twice - 07/22/2024

**CB14-2024** - Introduced by The Chair at the request of Corridor 70/32, LLC Short Title: (ZRA 205) Addition of certain light manufacturing uses for Flex spaces in the Planned Office Research (POR) zoning district Title: AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to amend the Flex space land use classification of the Planned Office Research (POR) zoning district by defining the light manufacturing uses permitted as a matter of right to include "Contractor's Office and Outdoor or Indoor Storage Facility, Self-Storage Facilities, Warehouses, Moving and Storage Establishments and Light Industrial Uses"; removing the restriction to limit the light manufacturing uses to those uses permitted in the PEC District; and generally relating to light manufacturing uses in the POR zoning district.

expires – 05/13/2024; extended – 06/17/2024; extended twice – 07/22/2024

Final Consideration

## **Appointments**

- **CR14-2024** Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kelly Cimino as an additional nonvoting Commissioner to the Housing Commission.
- CR15-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION approving a list of Howard County residents to be sent to the Governor, in accordance with State law, so that the Governor may choose one of the residents from the list to fill a vacancy on the Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board.

## **Reappointments**

- **CR16-2024** Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jin Chung to the Asian American and Pacific Islander Commission.
- **CR17-2024** Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sanjeev Gholap to the Asian American and Pacific Islander Commission.
- **CR18-2024** Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Saffiyah Madraswala to the Asian American and Pacific Islander Commission.

## **Financial**

**CB5-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive 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 2024 in order to receive Water Quality State Revolving Funds in the amount of \$23,500,000 from the State of Maryland for the County's Safe and Sound project; adding loan funding to Capital Project C0337, Ellicott City Improvements and Enhancements; and declaring that this Act is an Emergency Bill necessary to meet a public emergency affecting life, health or property.

expires - 04/15/2024; extended - 05/20/2024; extended twice - 06/24/2024

**CB6-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving Lease Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and AAK II, LLC, a Maryland Limited Liability Company, for approximately 13,057 square feet of rentable space in a building located at 7095 Samuel Morse Drive, Columbia, Maryland, under the terms of which the County agrees to pay certain costs associated with the premises; authorizing the County Executive to enter into the Lease Agreement and to make changes to the Lease Agreement before executing it, under certain conditions; and generally relating to a multi-year Lease. expires - 04/15/2024; extended - 05/20/2024; extended twice - 06/24/2024 **CR19-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION adopting a permit fee for the Publicly Accessible Electric Scooter Sharing System.

## <u>General</u>

- CB7-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; moving the Office of Consumer Protection to the Department of County Administration; establishing an Office of Agriculture within the Department of County Administration: establishing an Opioid Restitution Fund Commission within the Department of Community Resources and Services; setting forth the duties and qualifications of the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission; providing that the Office of Community Partnerships within the Department of Community Resources and Services shall perform certain functions with regard to the receipt of Opioid Restitution Funds; setting forth the duties and qualifications of the Administrator of the Office of Agriculture; removing certain functions from the Office of Community Sustainability that will be functions of the Office of Agriculture; moving the function of administering homelessness services to the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring that members of the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission provide certain financial disclosure statements; clarifying certain duties; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government. expires – 04/15/2024; extended – 05/20/2024; extended twice – 06/24/2024
- CR20-2024 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION amending a Resolution previously adopted by the County Council to correct the term of an appointment to the Howard County Housing Commission.
- **CR21-2024** Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the Howard County Council A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates.
- CB8-2024 Introduced by Liz Walsh

AN ACT amending the process for approving waivers which allow for alternative compliance to protections of wetlands, streams, and steep slopes; requiring the Departments that grant the waivers to adhere to certain requirements; and generally relating to the alternative compliance for protection of wetlands, streams, and steep slopes. *expires* - 04/15/2024; *extended* - 05/20/2024; *extended twice* - 06/24/2024

CB9-2024 - Introduced by Christiana Rigby Co-sponsor(s) Opel Jones, Deb Jung AN ACT amending the Public Protection Services title of the Code to require Motor Vehicle Fueling Station operators to add the highest price on their fuel pricing signs; and generally relating to Motor Vehicle Fueling Stations. expires – 04/15/2024; extended – 05/20/2024; extended twice – 06/24/2024

## **Tabled Legislation**

## **Appointments**

**CR5-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Steven Hunt to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

## <u>General</u>

**CB3-2024** - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT imposing a cap on the amount of damages that can be awarded to a person aggrieved by a prohibited employment action; and generally relating causes of action and the award of civil remedies.

expires - 03/12/2024; extended - 04/16/2024; extended twice - 05/21/2024

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