

COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND

2024 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 7
June 3, 2024

HOWARD COUNTY TO WIT:

The Chairperson called the legislative session to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Lisa Geerman, Acting County Auditor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Owen Khan, Legislative Analyst; Ervens Jean-Pierre, Senior Administrative Analyst; Charity Respass, Administrative Assistant and Virginia Gambrell, Administrative Aide were also present.

APPROVE JOURNAL AND MINUTES

The Chairperson moved to approve the Journal of:

Legislative Session – May 6, 2024
Legislative Session – May 22, 2024

The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

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

The motion to approve the Journal passed.

The Chairperson moved to approve the Minutes of:

Budget Work Session – CIP & Operating #1 – May 1, 2024
Budget Work Session – Operating #2 – May 3, 2024
Budget Work Session – Operating #3 – May 8, 2024
Budget Public Hearing – General – May 9, 2024
Budget Work Session – Operating #4 – May 13, 2024
Budget Public Hearing – Operating – May 13, 2024
Budget Work Session – operating #5 – May 15, 2024
Real Property Tax Public Hearing – May 20, 2024
Legislative Public Hearing – May 20, 2024

The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve the minutes was: Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, and Walsh; Abstain: Council Member Yungmann.

The motion to approve the minutes passed.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Introduction

Appointments

CR69-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointment – Reginald Avery – Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Reginald Avery to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

CR70-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointment – Mary Catherine Cochran – Recreation and Parks Board

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Mary Catherine Cochran to the Recreation and Parks Board.

CR71-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointment–Matthew J. Gallagher, Esq.– Public Ethics Commission

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Matthew J. Gallagher, Esq. to the Public Ethics Commission.

CR72-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointment – Tamerdis Hollywood – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Tamerdis Hollywood to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR73-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointment – Shaun Lehmann- Recreation and Parks Board

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Shaun Lehmann to the Recreation and Parks Board.

CR74-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointment – Linda F. Stewart – Public Ethics Commission

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Linda F. Stewart to the Public Ethics Commission.

Reappointments

CR75-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Reappointment- Francis F. LoPresti- Animal Matters Hearing Board

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Frances F. LoPresti to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board.

General

CB35-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement –86.16 acres –880 Long Corner Road, Mount Airy – Purchase price \$2,905,400 – owned by the Edward E. Day Revocable Living Trust.

Title: AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 86.16 acres of agricultural land located at 880 Long Corner Road, Mount Airy, Howard County, Maryland, from the Edward E. Day Revocable Living Trust, or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$2,905,400 or, if less in acreage, not more than \$33,720 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

expires – 08/12/2024; extended – 09/16/2024; extended twice – 10/21/2024

CB36-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Amendment to Memorandum of Agreement – Local 3080

Title: AN ACT approving an amendment to a multi-year collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Local 3080, AFL-CIO Maryland Council 3 that amends certain compensation to be paid during Fiscal Year 2025; approving provisions in an amendment to a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the Howard County Local 3080, AFL-CIO Maryland Council 3 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 Howard County Local 3080, AFL-CIO Maryland Council 3.

expires – 08/12/2024; extended – 09/16/2024; extended twice – 10/21/2024

CR76-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Adopting the School Capacity Chart

Title: A RESOLUTION adopting the School Capacity Chart, pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County, to designate the elementary school regions, and the elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools constrained for new residential development during each of the following ten years as based on the definition of program capacity as defined by Howard County Public School System policy and requiring a certain joint special work meeting in accordance with Section 16.1103(d) of the Howard County Code.

CR77-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Adopting the Housing Unit Allocation Chart

Title: A RESOLUTION adopting the Housing Unit Allocation Chart pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.

CB37-2024 - Introduced by Christiana Rigby

Short Title: School facilities surcharge amendment for single family detached dwellings.

Title: AN ACT to alter the school facilities surcharge for single-family detached dwelling in accordance with Chapter 744 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019; and generally relating to the school facilities surcharge.

expires – 08/12/2024; extended – 09/16/2024; extended twice – 10/21/2024

FINAL CONSIDERATION

Appointments

CR42-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Appointing Rev. Peter J. Spann to the Human Rights Commission.

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Rev. Peter J. Spann to the Human Rights Commission.

The Chairperson moved to approve CR42-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve CR42-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CR42-2024 passed.

Financial

SAO1-FY2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Supplementary Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Department of Public Works - \$347,000

Title: AN ACT transferring \$347,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses related to snow removal.

The Chairperson moved to approve SAO1-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve SAO1-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve SAO1-2024 passed.

CB17-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Emergency Appropriation – Risk Management Self-Insurance Fund - \$1,000,000

Title: 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 to provide additional spending authority in the Risk Management Self-Insurance fund due to significant increases in claim expenditures of the fund; and declaring that this Act is an Emergency Bill necessary to meet a public emergency affecting life, health or property. expires – 07/15/2024; extended – 08/19/2024; extended twice – 09/23/2024

The Chairperson moved to approve CB17-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve CB17-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CB17-2024 passed.

CB18-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
Short Title: Emergency Appropriation – Employee Benefits Self-Insurance Fund - \$3,000,000
Title: 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 to provide additional spending authority in the Employee Benefits Self-Insurance Fund due to significant increases in claim expenditures of the fund; and declaring that this Act is an Emergency Bill necessary to meet a public emergency affecting life, health or property. expires – 07/15/2024; extended – 08/19/2024; extended twice – 09/23/2024

The Chairperson moved to approve CB18-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve CB18-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CB18-2024 passed.

CR43-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
Short Title: Howard County Board of Education – Fiscal Year 2024 – Operating budget transfer and supplemental appropriation from fund balance - Transportation
Title: A RESOLUTION approving certain transfers between major categories of the Howard County Board of Education General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2024; transferring a total of \$3,900,000 to Student Transportation from other categories; approving supplemental appropriation of unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$4,900,000 to the Howard County Board of Education’s General Fund Budget; and generally relating to the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget of the Board of Education.

The Chairperson moved to approve CR43-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve CR43-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CR43-2024 passed.

CR44-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
Short Title: Howard County Board of Education – Fiscal Year 2024 – Supplemental appropriation from fund balance – Food and Nutrition Service Fund
Title: A RESOLUTION approving supplemental appropriation of unassigned fund balance to the Howard County Board of Education’s Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2024, to increase the Board of Education’s Food and Nutrition Service Fund appropriation by \$4,326,363 through using this fund’s Fund Balance; and generally relating to the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget of the Board of Education.

The Chairperson moved to approve CR44-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The Chairperson moved to approve Amendment 1 to CR44-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

Amendment 1 to CR44-2024

(This amendment makes a technical correction to the Exhibit to reflect certain total amounts.)

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve Amendment 1 to CR44-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve Amendment 1 to Cr44-2024 passed.

The role call vote called by the Administrator to approve CR44-2024 as amended was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CR44-2024 as amended passed.

CB19-2024 - Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Special Fund – Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund – Adult-Use Cannabis Advisory Panel

Title: AN Act establishing a special Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund; specifying the purpose and uses of money in the Fund; prohibiting certain uses of money in the Fund; adding members to the Adult-Use Cannabis Advisory Panel; adding certain duties to the Adult-Use Cannabis Advisory Panel related to use of monies in the Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund; requiring the Howard County Delegation to receive certain reports; and generally relating to the Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund.

expires – 07/15/2024; extended – 08/19/2024; extended twice – 09/23/2024

The Chairperson moved to approve CB19-2024. The motion was seconded by Ms. Walsh.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion to approve CB19-2024 was Yea: Council Members Jung, Jones, Rigby, Walsh and Yungmann.

The motion to approve CB19-2024 passed.

Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.