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## Minutes - Approved

Legislative Public Hearing Hybrid Meeting (Virtual and In-Person Meeting) Video Streamed on https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/watch-us Broadcast on channels 44(Verizon) and 99(Comcast) Monday, November 18, 2024 7:00 p.m.

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

**Staff Present:** Lisa Geerman, Acting County Auditor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant I; Theodore Wimberly, Administrative Manager; Nick Rinehart, Senior Legislative Analyst, and Trish Hammond, Administrative Aide were also present.

- I. Call to Order at 7:00 pm
- II. Roll Call.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Public Hearing

CR161-2024 and CR162-2024 removed from the agenda due to a requirement for advertising in Section 13.1106 of the Howard County Code.

- A. Appointments
- 1. CR117-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Andrea Rizkallah to the La Alianza Latina Commission.
  - a. Andrea Rizkallah called to speak.
- 2. CR138-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bruce Fulton to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.
  - a. Bruce Fulton called to speak.

- 3. CR152-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Arthur Gold to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.
  - a. Arthur Gold called to speak.
- 4. CR153-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Colin Fraser to the Adult-Use Cannabis Advisory Panel.
  - a. Colin Fraser called to speak.
- B. Reappointments
- 1. CR154-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sue Bryant to the LGBTQIA+ Commission.
- 2. CR155-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of David C. Jordan, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, to the Pension Oversight Commission.
- 3. CR156-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Ellen Flynn Giles to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- 4. CR157-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Julianne Danna to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- 5. CR158-2024 A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Gabriel Moreno to the La Alianza Latina Commission.
- C. General
- 1. CB60-2024 AN ACT amending the membership of the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency to add an ex officio member and to amend the number of members accordingly; and generally relating to boards and commissions. *expires* 01/13/2025; *extended* 02/18/2025; *extended* twice 03/24/2025
  - a. Jen Sager, County Administration called to speak.
- 2. CR159-2024 A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code declaring that a portion of a 20' public right of way easement to make openings and excavations, and to lay construct and maintain drains, water pipes and other municipal utilities and services containing approximately 930 square feet is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate the easement interest and convey the property to the fee simple owner, Trotter 5857, LLC; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code in order to convey the easement interest to Trotter 5857, LLC; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the easement interests if he finds that the easements may have a public use.

- a. Emily Iacchei, County Administration called to speak.
- 3. CR160-2024 A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code declaring that 4.848 acres of land owned by Howard County, Maryland located at 10650 Hickory Ridge Road, Columbia, is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to convey the property to Howard Community College; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code in order to convey the property; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.
  - a. Emily Iacchei, County Administration called to speak.
  - b. Matthew Willhite called to speak.

#### [This was not heard this evening. It will be heard on 1/21/2025] CR161-2024 - A RESOLUTION approving the urban renewal project for the Long Reach Village Center in Columbia pursuant to Section 13.1106 of the Howard County Code.

### 5. [This was not heard this evening. It will be heard on 1/21/2025]

CR162-2024 - A RESOLUTION declaring that certain real property containing approximately 7.71 acres located at 8775 Cloudleap Court, Columbia, Maryland and acquired by the County pursuant to the urban renewal project initiated by Council Resolution No. 22-2014 is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property to Columbia Concepts, LLC or its subsidiary; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.

6. CB61-2024 - AN ACT establishing the Office of the Inspector General; specifying the selection, term, qualifications, and responsibilities of the Inspector General; providing for the referral of certain matters; specifying the funding and powers of the Office of the Inspector General; requiring certain reports; establishing the Inspector General Citizen Board; specifying the composition, term, and responsibilities of the Inspector General Citizen Board; amending the whistleblower protection statute; and generally relating to the Office of the Inspector General.

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- a. Stu Kohn, Howard County Citizens Association called to speak.
- b. Jorge Tirigall called to speak.
- c. Daniel Waters called to speak.
- d. Meagan Braganca called to speak.

- e. Joel Hurewitz called to speak.
- f. Matthew Willhite called to speak.
- CB62-2024 (ZRA 208) AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to allow School, Commercial as a permitted use in the Office Transition (OT) zoning district; and generally relating to the OT zoning district. *expires* – 01/13/2025; *extended* – 02/18/2025; *extended twice* – 03/24/2025
  - a. Christopher DeCarlo called to speak.
- CB63-2024 (ZRA 209) AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to allow Self Storage, Indoor as a permitted use in the Corridor Activity Center (CAC) zoning district; to allow for the reduction of first floor retail space in the CAC zoning district; to allow for certain residential uses in the CAC zoning district; and generally relating to the CAC zoning district. *expires* – 01/13/2025; *extended* – 02/18/2025; *extended twice* – 03/24/2025
  - a. Eddie Lichter, Weinman Company called to speak.
- CB64-2024 (ZRA 210) AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to allow Warehousing, within a flex space as a permitted use in the Corridor Employment (CE) zoning district. expires – 01/13/2025; extended – 02/18/2025; extended twice – 03/24/2025
  - a. Mandee Heinl called to speak.
  - b. Kerry Doyle, Tradepoint Atlantic, LLC called to speak.

V. Adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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