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## Minutes - Approved

Legislative Public Hearing Monday February 18, 2025 Hybrid Meeting (Virtual and In-Person Meeting) Video Streamed on https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/watch-us Broadcast on channels 44(Verizon) and 99(Comcast) 7:00 p.m.

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

**Staff Present:** Michelle Harrod; Council Administrator; Christopher Ashman; County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jenn Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant; Nick Rinehart, Senior Legislative Analyst; Jim Almon, Senior Legislative Analyst; and Brenda Smith, Administrative Aide were also present.

- I. Call to Order at 7:04 pm
- II. Roll Call.

## **III. Pledge of Allegiance**

## **IV. February Legislation**

Students and parents with students present in the Banneker Room, called to testify.

1. **CB11-2025** (**ZRA 211**) – Introduced by Deb Jung at the request Anwer Hasan - AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to add the Research and Development Laboratory use to the Planned Employment Center (PEC) zoning district and prohibiting such research and development uses that involve commercial plastic pellets or feedstock which produces flue gas and requires a permit from the state of Maryland; and generally relating to research and development laboratory uses in the PEC zoning district.

- a. Mubasher Atayee called to speak.
- b. Mya Werneck called to speak
- c. Dawson Preston called to speak.
- d. Cameron Preston called to speak
- e. Adonna Michael called to speak.
- f. Mudaser Atayee called to speak.
- g. Ravyn Thomas called to speak.
- h. Robyn Thomas called to speak.
- i. Adriana Tupino called to speak.
- j. Yashica Sreevatsan called to speak.
- k. Yukta Sreevatsan called to speak.
- l. Hannah Jung called to speak.
- m. Shane Tolentino called to speak
- n. Son of Prathima Reddy called to speak.
- o. Daughter of Prathima Reddy called to speak
- p. Ishaan Tilva called to speak.
- q Arna Suktravi called to speak.
- r. (Christina Bui) Justin Edel called to speak.
- s. Sara Dwyer, Cedar Creek HOA called to speak.
- t. Neil Tilva called to speak.
- u. Hari Srinivasan called to speak.

- v. Raja Ramadas called to speak.
- w. Sim Ramin called to speak
- x. Krithika Kesavan called to speak.

### CR28-2025

y. Evelyn Del Rosario - called to speak

### CB11-2025 (ZRA 211) - continued

- z. Renee Paris called to speak
- aa. Jeff Dwyer called to speak.
- bb. Christine Tupino called to speak.
- cc. Sara Morrell called to speak.
- dd. Zain Qazi called to speak.
- ee. Ramnik Aulakh called to speak.
- ff. Rakhi Singh called to speak.
- gg. Preeta Srinivasan called to speak.
- hh. Mounika Gangadi called to speak.
- ii. Padma Swamy called to speak
- jj. Christine Wernecki called to speak.
- kk. Deborah Shaw called to speak.

#### CR10-2025

ll. Diana Awed - called to speak

### CB11-2025 (ZRA 211) - continued

mm. Teryn Thomas - called to speak.

- nn. AmiCietta Clarke called to speak.
- oo. Richard Allen called to speak.
- pp. Farah Allen called to speak.
- qq. Golash Adadey called to speak
- rr. Nana Adadey called to speak.
- ss. Rachel Pfeifer called to speak.
- tt. Chao Wu called to speak.

#### CR18-2025

uu. Kerry G. Johnson - called to speak

## CB11-2025 (ZRA 211) - continued

- vv. Rene Maldonado called to speak.
- ww. Stu Kohn, Howard County Citizens Association called to speak.

#### A. Appointments

- 1. **CR8-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James Earl Hollywood III to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.
  - a. James Hollywood III called to speak.
- 2. **CR9-2025** CR9-2025 A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dr. Susan Hirsh to the Commission on Disabilities.
  - a. Susan Hirsh called to speak

- 3. **CR10-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Diana M. Awed to the Commission for Women.
  - a. Diana M. Awed previously called to speak
- 4. **CR11-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Saundra V. Barrett to the Commission for Women.
  - a. Saundra V. Barrett called to speak
- 5. **CR12-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ashley Easley, PH.D. to the Commission for Women.
  - a. Ashley Easley did not speak
- 6. **CR13-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bertina L. Suber-Hanley to the Commission for Women.
  - a. Bertina L. Suber-Hanley did not speak
- 7. **CR14-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Reychal Lynn Windham to the Commission for Women.
  - a. Rechal Lynn Windham did not speak
- 8. **CR15-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Donald Gregory Ault to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.
  - a. Donald Gregory Ault called to speak.
- 9. **CR16-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jennifer-NeToi Claiborne to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.
  - a. Jennifer-NeToi Claiborne called to speak

- 10. **CR17-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Karen Foxworth, LCPC to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.
  - a. Karen Foxworth called to speak.
- 11. **CR18-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kerry G. Johnson to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.
  - a. Kerry G. Johnson previously called to speak.
- 12. **CR19-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Margaret R. Stephens to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.
  - a. Margaret R. Stephens called to speak
- 13. **CR20-2025 -** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Margaret R. Gold to the Housing and Community Development Board.
  - a. Margaret R. Gold did not speak
- 14. **CR21-2025** -- A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Reginald T. Avery to the Human Rights Commission.
  - a. Reginald T. Avery did not speak
- 15. **CR22-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jeffrey Rubin to the Human Rights Commission.
  - a. Jeffrey Rubin did not speak.
- 16. **CR23-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Stephen Michael Conti to the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council
  - a. Stephen Michael Conti called to speak.

- 17. **CR24-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Christine M. Horn to the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council.
  - a. Christine M. Horn called to speak.
- 18. **CR25-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Tahira Mussarat Hussain to the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council.
  - a. Tahira Mussarat Hussain did not speak.
- 19. **CR26-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Travis Smith to the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council.
  - a. Travis Smith called to speak
- 20. **CR27-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Yeimy Benitez to the La Alianza Latina Commission.
  - a. Yeimy Benitez did not speak
- 21. **CR28-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Evelyn Del Rosario, MA, JD to the La Alianza Latina Commission.
  - a. Evelyn Del Rosario previously called to speak
- 22. **CR29-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Laura Crovo to the LGBTQIA+ Commission.
  - a. Laura Crovo called to speak
- 23. **CR30-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jordan Dorsey to the LGBTQIA+ Commission.
  - a. Jordan Dorsey called to speak

- 24. **CR31-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michael G. Mueller to the LGBTQIA+ Commission.
  - a. Michael G. Mueller called to speak.
- 25. **CR32-2025** - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Emily Hazel Redzich to the LGBTQIA+ Commission.
  - a. Emily Hazel Redzich called to speak.
- 26. **CR33-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Veronica L. Wright to the LGBTQIA+ Commission.
  - a. Veronica L. Wright called to speak.
- 27. **CR34-2025 -** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Barbara L. Allen to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Barbara L. Allen called to speak.
- 28. **CR35-2025** --- A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Corey E. Bryce, CPRS to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Corey E. Bryce- called to speak
- 29. **CR36-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Mark D. Donovan LCPC, LCADC to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Mark D. Donovan called to speak technical issues
- 30. **CR37-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joan G. Elder to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Joan G. Elder called to speak

- 31. **CR38-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jessica Matthews to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Jessica Matthews called to speak
- 32. **CR39-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Debbie E. Nix to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Debbie E. Nix called to speak
- 33. **CR40-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joan Webb Scornaienchi to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Joan Webb Scornaienchi called to speak
- 34. **CR41-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Theresa Thomas to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. Theresa Thomas did not speak
- 35. **CR42-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of John F. Way to the Opioid Restitution Fund Commission.
  - a. John F. Way called to speak
- 36. **CR43-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jimmy D. Patel, PMP, DBIA to the Public Works Board.
  - a. Mark D. Donovan (technical issue resolved) called to speak for CR36-2025
  - b. Jimmy D. Patel called to speak.
- 37. **CR48-2025** A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Lynn Parlett Moore to the Planning Board.
  - a. Lynn Partlett Moore called to speak.

## **B.** General

- CB9-2025 CB9-2025 AN ACT reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; establishing a Department of General Services; establishing the appointing authority for the positions of Director and Deputy Director; setting forth the duties and qualifications of the Director; setting forth the functions of the Department; removing certain functions from the Department of Public Works that will be functions of the Department of General Services; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government.
  - a. Brandee Ganz, Administration called to speak.
  - b. Joel Hurewitz called to speak.
- 2. **CR44-2025** A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to increase the scope of an easement previously granted to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company and to grant an additional easement so that Baltimore Gas and Electric Company may install communication facilities on property owned by Howard County, Maryland; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the Property if he finds that the County may have a use for the property.
  - a. Emily Iacchei Administration called to speak.
- 3. **CR45-2025** A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to grant an easement containing 0.0357 acres to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company so that Baltimore Gas and Electric Company may install communication facilities on property owned by Howard County, Maryland; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easement if he finds that the property may have a further public use.
  - a. Emily Iacchei Administration called to speak.
- 4. **CR46-2025** Introduced by The Chair on behalf of the Council A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates.

- 5. **CB10-2025** Introduced by Liz Walsh AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to establish a Notice and a Requirement to provide an offer to the County and Housing Commission to purchase Mobile Home Parks or Motels offered for sale in the County; and generally relating to the sale of Mobile Home Parks, or Motels.
  - a. Anthony Rabelo called to speak
  - b. Dan Hajdo did not speak.
- 6. **CB11-2025** (**ZRA 211**) Introduced by Deb Jung at the request of Anwer Hasan AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to add the Research and Development Laboratory use to the Planned Employment Center (PEC) zoning district and prohibiting such research and development uses that involve commercial plastic pellets or feedstock which produces flue gas and requires a permit from the state of Maryland; and generally relating to research and development laboratory uses in the PEC zoning district.
  - a. Jeff Carton called to speak.

## Adjourned at 11:00 pm