



Howard County Board of Appeals

George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043-4392

MINUTES January 30, 2025 PUBLIC HEARING Hybrid Hearing (Banneker Room and Webex)

Board Members Present:

Lynn Foehrkolb, Vice Chair
Robbyn Harris
Felita Phillips
Jean Xu

Staff:

Kel Berg
Kiasten Miller
Barry Sanders

Call to order at: 9:11 a.m.

Administrative Matters

Approval of Minutes – January 23, 2025
Motion – Robbyn Harris, 2nd Jean Xu
Unanimously approved. The motion passed.

Introduction and Synopsis

The Board of Appeals is convening in a public session to receive input from members of the public, government representatives, and other subject matter experts relating to the process of updating the Board of Appeals Rules of Procedure. Once completed, all proposed amendments will be submitted to the Howard County Council for review and approval.

The Board began updating its process of reviewing and updating the Rules of Procedure in March 2024. The first public feedback session was held on July 25, 2024. The purpose of this session is directed toward public engagement and dialogue surrounding the preliminary draft rules. The feedback received will allow the Board to make more informed decisions regarding the rules.

The Board allows 10 minutes per person for testimony. The Board may provide comment at the end of testimony.

Testimony

Stu Kohn – Howard County Citizens Association
Chris Alleva
Joel Hurewitz

Testimony Summary

1. Mr. Kohn provided a document with suggested edits and questions for improvements.
2. Mr. Alleva noted suggested line by line edits and will provide a hard copy of his materials to the Board.
3. Mr. Hurewitz noted suggested line by line edits for the Rules of Procedure.

The Board of Appeals will hold a follow-up Work Session with a date to be determined.

The Board adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Kel Berg 3/6/2025