



Howard County Council

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Agenda

January 30, 2015 – February 13, 2015

County Council

Monday, February 2, 2015

Banneker Room

George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD

7:30 p.m.

Legislative Session

Day # 2

Approve Journal -

January 5, 2014

Approve Minutes -

January 20, 2015 – Public Hearing

January 26, 2015 – Monthly Meeting

January 26, 2015 – Work Session

Introduction of Legislation

The following legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive unless otherwise noted:

Appointments

Council Resolution 3-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Angela M. Boyter to the Commission on Aging.

Council Resolution 4-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jill M. Bussey to the Advisory Board on Consumer Affairs.

Council Resolution 5-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Nicole Czarnecki to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Council Resolution 6-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joanne Drielak to the Public Ethics Commission.

Council Resolution 7-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Thomas Paxton to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

Council Resolution 8-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bruno V. Reich to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Council Resolution 9-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Chinwe Calista Adetula to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

Council Resolution 10-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Richard J. Bergin to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

Council Resolution 11-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jane O’Leary to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

Council Resolution 12-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Pastor Donald M. Poole to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

Council Resolution 13-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Dorothy Ruck to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board.

Council Resolution 14-2015 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Joan Webb Scornaienchi to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

Financial

SAO5-FY2015 - AN ACT transferring \$50,000 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of County Administration, Office of Transportation for the Electric Bus Grant.

General

Council Bill 3-2015 - AN ACT, reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; changing the name of the Office of Environmental Sustainability; amending the qualifications of the Office administrator; amending the duties and responsibilities of the Office; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government.

Council Bill 4-2015 - AN ACT, reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; amending certain definitions; providing that the County Executive shall designate the Executive Secretary of the Human Rights Commission; amending the number of times per year the Commission is required to meet; requiring that the Commission perform certain outreach and education activities; making certain corrections to conform to the State’s Open Meetings Act; removing the requirement that the Human Rights Administrator serve as the Executive Secretary to the Human Rights Commission; correcting cross references; clarifying certain language; clarifying certain standards of review to ensure consistency; clarifying that only ripe cases may proceed; clarifying certain actions taken by County Employees; clarifying certain notice and nonexclusive remedy provisions; requiring certain reports;

authorizing certain corrections to outlining style; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government

Council Resolution 15-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates.

Council Resolution 16-2015 – Introduced by: Calvin Ball, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jennifer Terrasa, and Jon Weinstein - A RESOLUTION requesting that the Howard County Police Department’s Citizen Advisory Council establish a Committee on Community Policing and make recommendations related to community policing.

Council Resolution 17-2015 - Introduced by: Jon Weinstein and Mary Kay Sigaty - A RESOLUTION endorsing the Howard County Office of Emergency Management’s application with the Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, Community Development Block Grant Program, in the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for certain grants under the National Disaster Resilience Competition in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Council Bill 5-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - AN ACT to alter the definition of “employee” for purposes of the Howard County Public Ethics Law; to exclude certain mutual funds from the definition of “interest”; to clarify the retention period for certain filings; providing that certain subpoenas may be sent by certified mail and may be judicially enforced; eliminating a requirement that a request be made before a certain notice is provided; making technical corrections; and generally relating to the Howard County Public Ethics Law.

Council Bill 6-2015 - Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty; Co-Sponsored by: Dr. Calvin Ball, Jennifer Terrasa and Jon Weinstein - AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to clarify that the Department of Planning and Zoning is required to send their technical staff reports for any petitions considered by the Zoning Board, County Council, Planning Board, Hearing Examiner, or Board of Appeals to the appropriate decision making body and the general public at least two weeks prior to the required public hearing or meeting; generally related to the Department of Planning and Zoning’s technical staff reports.

Final Consideration

Financial

SAO2-FY2015 - AN ACT transferring a total of \$400,000 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for grants to assist in improving enhanced nutrient removal performance levels.

SAO3-FY2015 - AN ACT transferring \$32,530 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Corrections for the Safe Streets grant that will provide reentry services for inmates returning to the community.

SAO4-FY2015 - AN ACT transferring \$19,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the State's Attorney's Office for increased costs due to new requirements that an attorney be available for initial bond hearings.

Council Bill 1-2015 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$100,000,000 consolidated public improvement bonds and up to \$50,000,000 metropolitan district bonds, pursuant to various bond enabling laws; providing that such bonds shall be general obligations of the County; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for or approve the final principal amounts, maturity schedules, interest rates and redemption provisions for such bonds, and other matters, details, forms, documents or procedures and to determine the method of sale of such bonds; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of such bonds and for the levying of taxes to pay debt service on such bonds; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Council Resolution 1-2015 - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the Board of Education - A RESOLUTION approving the transfer of a total of \$4,036,000 between capital projects in the Board of Education capital budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

Council Bill 2-2015 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$3,263,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of various capital projects, more particularly described in the County's 2015 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

General

Council Resolution 2-2015 – Introduce by Calvin Ball - A RESOLUTION approving Phase 1 of the Urban Renewal Plan for the urban renewal project initiated for the Long Reach Village Center by County Council Resolution No. 22-2014; identifying the authorized actions in Phase 1; and providing that the actions authorized are in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Howard County.

Tabled

Council Resolution 80-2014 - Confirming the reappointment of William E. Erskine to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority. (tabled 7-25-2014)

Council Bill 54-2014 (ZRA 152) - AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to add provisions concerning the use and subdivision of R-ED properties that contain Agricultural Land Preservation Easements; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations. (tabled 1-05-2015)

Council Resolution 123-2014 - A RESOLUTION approving the terms and conditions of a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement by and between the Howard County, Maryland and Riverwatch Elkridge LLLP, a limited liability limited partnership, for a multi-family rental housing development to be known as Riverwatch. (tabled 1-5-2015)

Council Resolution 124-2014 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to convey certain real property owned by the County containing approximately 3 acres to the Howard County Housing Commission; 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 land if he finds that the land may have a further public use. (tabled 1-5-2015)

Council Resolution 125-2014 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to convey certain real property owned by the County containing approximately 2.142 acres to Rock Realty, Inc.; 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 land if he finds that the land may have a further public use. (tabled 1-5-2015)

County Council
Monthly Meeting
Monday, February 09, 2015
C. Vernon Gray Room
George Howard Building 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD
8:30 a.m.

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