

**COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND**

2015 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 1

1/05/2015

HOWARD COUNTY TO WIT:

The Chairperson called the legislative session to order at **7:36** p.m.

Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson; Jon Weinstein, Vice Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Council Member; Greg Fox, Council Member; and Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member were present.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; Theo Wimberly, Legal Analyst; and Craig Glendenning, County Auditor were also present.

APPROVE JOURNAL AND MINUTES

The Chairperson moved to approve the Journal for Legislative Day No. 13, December 1, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa and Weinstein.

The motion to approve the journal passed.

The Chairperson moved to approve the minutes for the Monthly Meeting on December 8, 2014 and the Legislative Public Hearing on December 15, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa and Weinstein.

The motion to approve the minutes passed.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

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

Financial

Supplementary Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 2 - Fiscal Year 2015 – AN ACT transferring a total of \$400,000 from the Grant Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for grants to assist in improving enhanced nutrient removal performance levels.

Supplementary Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 3 - Fiscal Year 2015 – 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.

Supplementary Budget & Appropriation Ordinance No. 4 - Fiscal Year 2015 – 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 – 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 – 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.

FINAL CONSIDERATION

The Chairperson moved to suspend the rules to allow the third reading by short title. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to suspend the rules to allow the third reading by short title passed.

General

Council Bill No. 54-2014 – 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.

The Chairperson moved to table Council Bill 54-2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to table Council Bill 54-2014 passed.

Council Resolution No. 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.

The Chairperson moved to table Council Resolution 123-2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to table Council Resolution 123-2014 passed.

Council Resolution No 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.

The Chairperson moved to table Council Resolution 124-2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to table Council Resolution 124-2014 passed.

Council Resolution No 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.

The Chairperson moved to table Council Resolution 125-2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to table Council Resolution 125-2014 passed.

Council Resolution No 100-2014 - Confirming the appointment of Judy Harris to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority. (tabled 10-6-2014).

Council Resolution No 105-2014 - Confirming the appointment of E. Randolph Marriner to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority. (tabled 10-6-2014).

The Chairperson moved to remove Council Resolution 100-2014 and Council Resolution 105-2014 from the table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to remove Council Resolution 100-2014 and Council Resolution 105-2014 from the table passed.

The Chairperson moved to withdraw Council Resolution 100-2014 and Council Resolution 105-2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to withdraw Council Resolution 100-2014 and Council Resolution 105-2014 passed.

Council Resolution No 118-2014 - A RESOLUTION reappointing John D. Lederer to the Board of Appeals of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on December 31, 2019. (tabled 10-29-2014).

The Chairperson moved to remove Council Resolution 118-2014 from the table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to remove Council Resolution 118-2014 from the table passed.

The Chairperson moved to approve Council Resolution 118-2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weinstein.

The roll call vote called by the Chairperson on the motion was: Yea: Council Members, Ball, Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa, and Weinstein.

The motion to approve Council Resolution 118-2014 passed.

Adjourned **7:49** p.m.

Tabled

Council Resolution No. 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 No. 54-2014 - 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 1/5/15)

Council Resolution No. 123-2014 - Approving the terms and conditions of a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement by and between the Howard County, Maryland and Riverwatch Elkrige LLLP, a limited liability limited partnership, for a multi-family rental housing development to be known as Riverwatch (tabled 1/5/15)

Council Resolution No. 124-2014 - 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 1/5/15)

Council Resolution No. 125-2014 - 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 1/5/15)