



# Howard County Council

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Minutes (approved)  
January 20, 2015

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**Members present:** Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Chairperson, Jon Weinstein, Council Vice Chairperson, Calvin Ball, Council Member, Greg Fox, Council Member and Jen Terrasa, Council Member.

**Staff Present:** Jessica Feldmark, Administrator, Jennifer Sager, Administration, Theo Wimberly, Legislative Assistant, and Charity Respass, Administrative Aide

- I. Call to order at 7:31pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Boy Scout Troop #1997
- III. The following legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive unless otherwise noted:

A. General

1. 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.
  - a. Dr. Ball announced his intent to withdraw CR2-2015
  - b. Chairperson Sigaty announced that the council would not hear testimony on CR2-2015 based on its planned withdrawal

B. Financial

1. 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.

- a. Steve Gerwin, Department of Public Works - called to speak for the Administration
  - b. Alison Beall, 5639 Harpers Farm Road, Columbia - called to speak for HC League of Women Voters
2. 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.
- a. Jennifer Sager - called to speak for Administration
  - b. Alison Beall - 5639 Harpers Farm Road, Columbia - called to speak for HC League of Women Voters
3. 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.
- a. Mary Murphy, Deputy State's Attorney - called to speak for Administration
4. 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.
- a. Stan Milesky - called to speak for Administration
  - b. Bernard Noppinger - 8638 North Valley Court, Ellicott City - called to speak
  - c. Stan Milesky - called back to address question raised by Mr. Noppinger
5. 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.

- a. Bruce Gist, HC Public School System - called to speak for Administration
  - b. Brent Loveless - 9570 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel - called to speak for Forest Ridge Elementary School PTA
6. 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.
- a. Stan Milesky - called to speak for Administration

IV. Adjourned at 8:05 pm

V. Tabled

- A. 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)
- B. 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.
- C. 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.
- D. 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.
- E. 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.

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