



Howard County Council

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Minutes (Approved)

Public Hearing

Monday, March 16, 2015

Banneker Room

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 Rozonna Hightower Administrative Support Tech

Meeting was called to order at 7:35pm

Pledge of allegiance lead by Greg Fox

Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson moved to approve the reading of the bills by short title, seconded by Jon Weinstein, Vice Chairperson.

The motion unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson, Calvin Ball, Council Member, Greg Fox, Council Member, Jennifer Terrasa, Council Member and Jon Weinstein, Vice Chairperson.

NAYS: None.

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

Appointments

1. **Council Resolution 18-2015** - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dr. Timothy J. Collins to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.
 - a. Dr. Timothy Collins - JHAPL was called to speak

2. **Council Resolution 19-2015** - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jan Horan to the Commission on Aging.
 - a. Jan Horan - 10631 Breezewood Drive, Woodstock 21163 was called to speak
3. **Council Resolution 20-2015** - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jennifer VanBlarcum to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.
 - a. Jennifer VanBlarcum - 15290 Ridge Hunt Drive, Woodbine 21797 was called to speak
4. **Council Resolution 21-2015** - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sharonlee Vogel to the Commission on Aging.

Financial

1. **SAO6-FY2015** - AN ACT transferring \$1,200,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses for snow removal.
 - a. Jim Irvin - Director of Public Works was called to speak
 - b. Bernard Noppinger - 8638 North Valley Court, Ellicott City 21043 was called to speak
2. **Council Bill 7-2015** - AN ORDINANCE authorizing and providing for the issuance of Howard County, Maryland Consolidated Public Improvement Refunding Bonds and Howard County, Maryland Metropolitan District Refunding Bonds; providing that such bonds shall be general obligations of the County; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of such bonds and the levying of taxes to pay debt service on such bonds; providing for the private (negotiated) sale of such bonds; providing for an escrow deposit agreement and a continuing disclosure agreement; 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, the final list of refunded bonds, and certain other matters, details, forms, documents or procedures; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.
 - a. Stan Milesky - Director of Finance was called speak

General

1. **Council Bill 8-2015** - Introduced by: Calvin Ball, Jennifer Terrasa, and Jon Weinstein - AN ACT to prohibit the carrying of certain weapons in certain County-owned buildings; renaming a certain subtitle; and generally relating to weapons controls in County buildings.
 - a. Al Liebeskind - 6878 Happy Heart Lane, Columbia 21045 was called to speak
 - b. Dr. Jeff Underwood, 7337 Pindell School Rd. President, MD Ammunitions Group was called to speak

- c. Dave Marker - 7131 Willowbrook Way, Columbia 21046, Organizing for Action, was called to speak
 - d. Shari Zaret - 10087 Hatbrim Terrace, Columbia, Columbia Democratic Club, was called to speak
 - e. Bernard Noppinger - 8638 North Valley Court, Ellicott City 21043 was called to speak
 - f. Robert Cowan - 12023 Yellowbell Lane, Columbia was called to speak
 - g. Alexander Rey - 6781 Pyramid Way, Columbia 21044 was called to speak
 - h. Brian Harvey - 7605 Green Bell Lane, Highland was called to speak
 - i. Carol Lovelace - 8519 Timberland Circle, Ellicott City, HC Republican Club, was called to speak
 - j. Jeff Hulbert - Queen Anne's County was called to speak
2. **Council Bill 9-2015** - AN ACT adopting the 2014 National Electrical Code as the Electrical Code for Howard County; regulating the design, construction, alteration, improvement or modification to electrical equipment; adopting certain local amendments to the Electrical Code; amending the qualifications for appointment to the Board of Electrical Examiners; clarifying the timing of certain license exams; clarifying the signatories on certain applications; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the electrical code in Howard County.
- a. Bob Frances, Director DILP was called to speak
3. **Council Bill 10-2015** - AN ACT adopting the International Building Code, 2015, the International Residential Code, 2015, the International Mechanical Code, 2015, and the International Energy Conservation Code, 2015; providing that such codes collectively comprise the Howard County Building Code; regulating the design, construction, alteration, improvement, or modification of a building, structure, or other related equipment; adopting certain local amendments to the Building Code; adopting penalties for the violation of the Building Code; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the regulation of building and construction in Howard County.
- a. Bob Frances - Director DILP, was called to speak
 - b. Michael Harrison - MD Building Industry Association, was called to speak
4. **Council Bill 11-2015** - AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 27.19 acres of agricultural land located at 14651 Viburnum Drive, Dayton, Howard County, Maryland, from John and Dale Chiorini or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$627,000.00 or, if less, not more than \$23,059.20 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100.00, plus interest on the deferred portion of

such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

- a. Joy Levy - Administrator Agricultural Land Preservation Program, DPZ was called to speak

- 5. **Council Bill 12-2015** - AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 167.82 acres of agricultural land located at 15325 Leondina Drive, Glenwood, Howard County, Maryland, from Cattail Meadows, LLC or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$6,630,300 or, if less, not more than \$39,508.00 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

- a. Joy Levy - Administrator, Agricultural Land Preservation Program, DPZ was called to speak

- 6. **Council Bill 13-2015** - AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multi-year Master Services Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and Automatic Data Processing, Inc. to process the County's payroll for a term of five years with one-year renewals; and approving the agreement for certain renewal years in accordance with Section 4.110(d) of the Howard County Code.

- a. Rafiu Ighile - Deputy Director of Finance was called to speak
- b. Bernard Noppinger - North Bali Court, Ellicott City 21043 was called to speak

- 7. **Council Resolution 23-2015** - A RESOLUTION, pursuant to Section 2-105 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, approving the names of Manya Archie, Charles Curry, Tony L. George, Thomas G. Rohmann, and Donald Trent to be submitted to the Director of the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation as nominees for the position of Howard County Supervisor of Assessments.

- a. Stan Milesky - Director of Finance was called speak

- 8. **Council Resolution 22-2015** - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION

amending the Howard County Council Rules of Procedure to alter the way amendments are journalized; and generally relating to the Council Rules of Procedure.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:31pm

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 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)
- C. 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. (tabled 3-2-2015)