

Howard County Council

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Minutes (approved) Legislative Work Session September 29, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm in the Board Room, Board of Education, 10910 Route 108, Ellicott City.

Members present: Calvin Ball, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jennifer Terrasa and Courtney Watson.

Ms. Sigaty moved to amend the agenda to include CB 43-2009. The motion was seconded by Ms. Terrasa and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Discussion: The members discussed the following items related to the following bills:

Council Resolution No. 77-2009 – Adopting a fee-in-lieu for a waiver of the Howard County Green Buildings Law

Bob Frances and Josh Feldmark answered the members' inquiries concerning the intent of the changes and agreed to consider and suggest an alternative structure for the fee-in lieu for a waiver.

Council Resolution No. 80-2009 – Amending the rules that implement the Settlement Downpayment Loan Program established under Title 13, Subtitle 9 of the Howard County Code, the Homeownership Assistance Program; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; providing for different types of loans; setting forth eligibility criteria and loan amounts; clarifying the use of loans; clarifying certain application procedures; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Settlement Downpayment Loan Program

Stacy Spann and Tom Carbo responded to the members' inquiries with particular reference to an earlier e-mail. They will continue to work with staff to develop a possible amendment.

Council Bill No. 48-2009 - Introduced by Chairperson Sigaty - Removing certain requirements for certain members of certain boards and commissions; and generally relating to financial disclosure requirements for members of boards and commissions

The members discussed a proposed amendment for a student financial disclosure statement.

Council Bill No. 43-2009 – Authorizing the County Executive to enter into certain mutual aid agreements; updating certain references to State law; and generally relating to the authority to send police officers outside of Howard County

The members discussed two proposed amendments for reporting requirements. The amendments have been provided to the Administration.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

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