

## **Howard County Council**

## COUNCILMEMBERS

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Minutes (approved) Legislative Work Session July 6, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 4:43 pm in the Board Room, Board of Education, 10910 Route 108, Ellicott City.

Members present: Calvin Ball, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jennifer Terrasa, Greg Fox (arrived 4:46 pm) and Courtney Watson.

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

Council Bill No. 29-2009 (ZRA-102) – Introduced by The Chair at the request of the Wilde Lake Business Trust - Amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to allow the owner of any portion of a Village Center in the New Town zoning district to petition to amend certain approved development plans for the owner's property; establishing public notice, information, and justification requirements for such petitions; establishing standards to be used by the Zoning Board in evaluating and considering such petitions; and generally relating to the New Town zoning district

There was a discussion of a series of suggested technical amendments, secondary issues and key issues as set forth in a tabular outline. The legislative staff was asked to prepare a comparison of the notice provisions in Sections 128 and 205 of Title 16, Planning, Zoning and Subdivisions and Land Development Regulations. Some of the secondary issues were changed to key issues and vice versa. The Council agreed to hold another work session on July 13, 2009. Items for discussion include: Village Center boundaries, covenants, criteria, community plans, housing affordability, options for evaluation or sunset, Design Advisory Panel and parking.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.