



# Howard County Council

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## COUNCILMEMBERS

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## Minutes (Approved) Legislative Public Hearing May 18, 2015

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

**Staff Present:** Jessica Feldmark, Administrator; Jennifer Sager, Administration; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; Ed Shulder, Deputy County Auditor; Meredith Beach, Legislative Assistant; and Kel Habicht, Administrative Support.

- I. Called to order at 6:34 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Council Member Greg Fox.
- III. Allow the reading of bills by short title.

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

***The motion carried as follows***

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

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

- A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 45-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gary W. Kuc as County Solicitor.
  - a. Gary W. Kuc - 4623 Autumn Woods Way, Ellicott City, MD

B. Financial (Non FY 2016 Budget)

1. Council Resolution 66-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Board of Education - A RESOLUTION approving certain transfers between major categories of the Howard County Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2015; transferring \$1,800,000 to the Operation of Plant category and transferring \$2,500,000 to the Fixed Charges category.
  - a. Beverly Davis - Executive Director, Budget and Finance
  - b. Bernard Noppinger - 8638 North Bali Court, Ellicott City, MD
2. Council Bill 16-2015 - AN ACT amending the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2015 by transferring \$900,000 from the Department of Police to the Department of Public Works to account for increased costs for snow removal.
  - a. Holger Serrano - Assistant to the Director, Public Works

C. General

1. Council Bill 18-2015 - AN ACT amending PlanHoward 2030, the general plan for Howard County, to include Patapsco Heritage Area Management Plan and recognizing that the Plan is a way to further opportunities for recreation, environmental and historic conservation, and heritage tourism and to support economic development; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.
  - a. Bill Mackey - Planning Manager, Planning and Zoning
  - b. Fred Dorsey, President, Preservation Howard County - 10774 Judy Lane, Columbia, MD
  - c. John Slater, President, Patapsco Heritage Greenway - 4993 Dalton Drive, Columbia, MD
  - d. Lillie Gallant, Member, League of Women Voters Howard County - 6400 Enchanted Solitude Place, Columbia, MD
  - e. Debra Korb, Executive Director, Ellicott City Historic District Partnership - Post Office Box 92, Ellicott City, MD

2. Council Bill 19-2015 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and LSOP 3 MD 3 LLC for the lease of space located at 9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, Maryland; and authorizing the County Executive to take certain actions in connection with the Agreement.

- a. Holger Serrano - Assistant to the Director, Public Works

D. Budget

1. Council Bill 20-2015 - AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; providing pay scales for employees; providing certain specialty pays; making certain technical corrections; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.

- a. Lonnie Robbins - Chief Administrative Officer, County Administration

2. Council Bill 21-2015 - AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County; amending and adding certain class descriptions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan.

- a. Lonnie Robbins - Chief Administrative Officer, County Administration

3. Council Bill 22-2015 - AN ACT correcting the County Code by providing that the County Executive is the appointing authority for the position of Executive Assistant II, consistent with the existing Classification Plan; and generally relating to human resources provisions in the Howard County Code.

- a. Lonnie Robbins - Chief Administrative Officer, County Administration

4. Council Bill 23-2015 - AN ACT adopting the current expense budget and the capital budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016, to be known as the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Howard County, Fiscal Year 2016.

5. Council Bill 24-2015 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$127,126,691 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County capital projects (including bridge projects, general county projects, storm drainage projects, school system projects, fire and rescue projects, road resurfacing projects, road construction projects, roadside and sidewalk projects, library projects, community college projects, parks and recreation projects, police projects, sewer projects and traffic improvements projects), which are specified and described in the County's 2016 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain capital projects previously authorized in other calendar years, which such authorization has lapsed or will lapse), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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.
6. Council Bill 25-2015 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the principal amount of up to \$134,446,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County water and sewer capital projects which are specified and described in the County's 2016 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain water and sewer capital projects previously authorized in prior calendar years which such authorization has lapsed or will lapse), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; 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 benefit assessments, ad valorem taxes levied upon the assessable property in the Metropolitan District and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

7. Council Bill 26-2015 - AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in a principal amount of up to \$16,943,124 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds or other obligations therefor, to be used to pay costs of certain County road construction projects which are specified and described in the County's 2016 Capital Budget (including, without limitation, borrowings for certain of such capital projects previously authorized), and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds or other obligations; authorizing and empowering 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 building excise taxes and other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.
8. Council Resolution 70-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving the Capital Program for Howard County for Fiscal Years 2017 through 2021 and the Extended Capital Program for Fiscal Years 2022 through 2025.
9. Council Resolution 71-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2016 operating budget for the Howard Community College and indicating appropriations for major functional categories.
10. Council Resolution 72-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for the Howard County Library System and indicating appropriations for object classes.
11. Council Resolution 73-2015 - A RESOLUTION setting forth the Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget for the Howard County Board of Education.
12. Council Resolution 74-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for the Howard County Health Department and indicating appropriations for object classes.
13. Council Resolution 75-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules for charges pertaining to the Metropolitan District, to water and sewer service, and to shared sewage disposal facilities.

14. Council Resolution 76-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees for the functions regulated by the Department of Public Works.
15. Council Resolution 77-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees, fines and charges for functions regulated by the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits.
16. Council Resolution 78-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and charges for functions regulated or administered by the Department of Planning and Zoning.
17. Council Resolution 79-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving schedules of fees and rates for functions regulated and administered by the Department of Police.
18. Council Resolution 80-2015 - A RESOLUTION approving fee and rate schedules for: (1) Applying for approval of an industrial development revenue bond or MIDFA bond or loan; (2) Solicitor and Peddler Identification Card; (3) Weekend Prisoners - Room and board; (4) Prisoner - Health care provider fee; (5) Participation in work release program; (6) Participation in home detention program; (7) Marriage license fee charge for funding of domestic violence programs; (8) Annual registration of trespass towing companies and maximum rates to be charged by trespass towing services; (9) Fee and specifications for transcripts of administrative proceedings; and (10) Reproduction of public records.
19. Council Resolution 81-2015 - A RESOLUTION levying a tax on certain admissions and amusements, establishing classes of admissions and amusements, setting tax rates on different classes, and providing for certain exemptions from the tax.
20. Council Resolution 82-2015 - A RESOLUTION establishing a recordation tax rate on instruments of writing that are recorded with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.
21. Council Resolution 83-2015 - A RESOLUTION adopting the schedule of rates for the Building Excise Tax.
22. Council Resolution 84-2015 - A RESOLUTION levying Fire and Rescue tax rates beginning July 1, 2015.

23. Council Resolution 85-2015 - A RESOLUTION levying a property tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016; setting the tax rates for property; and providing for the collection of the property tax.

24. Council Resolution 86-2015 - A RESOLUTION setting the fee-in-lieu rate for moderate income housing.

E. Council Bill 17-2015 - Introduced by: Calvin Ball - AN ACT requiring that healthy food and beverage options be provided on certain County properties and for certain county programs, under certain conditions; establishing standards for healthy food and beverages in connection with these requirements; providing exemptions for these requirements; establishing certain requirements on placement, pricing, advertising and marketing of food and beverages in relation to these requirements; establishing certain duties for the Office of Purchasing in relation to these requirements; and generally relating to healthy food and beverages.

- a. Christina Delmont-Small - 10206 Maxine Street, Ellicott City, MD
- b. Robert Bugos - 12190 Overlook Drive, Monrovia, MD
- c. Leonardo McClarty, President, Howard County Chamber of Commerce - 2919 Burrows Lane, Ellicott City, MD
- d. Glenn Schneider - 12106 Blue Flag Way, Columbia, MD
- e. Lawrence Appel - 2005 Eliza Dorsey Lane, Ellicott City, MD
- f. Michaeline Fedder - 10 East Lee Street, Baltimore, MD
- g. Margaret Walton - 13975 Wayside Drive, Clarksville, MD
- h. Ryan Brown, Vice President of Operations (Food Service), Howard County General Hospital - 5755 Cedar Lane, Columbia, MD
- i. Margie Donohue, Executive Director, Maryland Dental Action Coalition - 802 Cromwell Park Drive, Suite V, Glen Burnie, MD
- j. Robert Turner - 8910 Old Annapolis Road, Columbia, MD
- k. Jannette O'Neill-Gonzalez - 5036 Rushlight Path, Columbia, MD
- l. Eileen Robertson - 11344 Liberty Street, Fulton MD
- m. Jeff Underwood, President, Maryland Munitions Group - 7337 Pindell School Road, Fulton, MD
- n. Carol Loveless - 8519 Timberland Circle, Ellicott City, MD
- o. Scott Meskin, President, Black Tie Services - 1408 Desoto Road, Baltimore, MD
- p. Loretta Shields - 4580 Ten Oaks Road, Dayton, MD
- q. Felicita Sola-Carter - 4305 Snowdrop Court, Ellicott City, MD
- r. Nikki Highsmith Vernick, The Horizon Foundation - 10480 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 900, Columbia, MD
- s. Rosalyn Williams - 4722 Roundhill Road, Ellicott City, MD
- t. Brad Myers - 6001 Florey Road, Hanover, MD
- u. Ellen Valentino - 4126 Crosswick Turn, Bowie, MD

- v. Linda Bowers - 8611 Honeysuckle Court, Ellicott City, MD
- w. David Dailey - 1228 Emmaus Road, Woodbine, MD
- x. Mark Entrot - 8569 Trail View Drive, Ellicott City, MD
- y. Bernard Noppinger - 8638 North Bali Court, Ellicott City, MD
- z. Seth Wilpon, Co-Owner, Tino's Italian Bistro - 9657 Stirling Bridge Drive, Columbia, MD
- aa. Akil Patterson - 307 Dolphin Street, Baltimore, MD
- bb. Phil Swanson - 13503 Villa D'est Drive, Highland, MD

F. Tabled

- 1. 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)
- 2. 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. (tabled 4-6-2015)
- 3. Council Resolution 29-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kimberly A. Hartman to the Howard County Local Children's Board. (tabled 5-4-2015)

V. Adjourned at 11:20 p.m.