



Howard County Council

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Minutes (approved)
Legislative Public Hearing
Monday, September 21, 2015

Banneker Room
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

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, Meredith Beach, Legislative Assistant, Craig Glendenning, County Auditor, and Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Support Tech III

- I. Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm
 - A. Council Member Jon Weinstein opens with pledge
 - B. Chairperson Announcement: We will be hearing testimony tonight on legislation that was introduced at the legislative session on September 8, 2015. We will hold a legislative work session, if it is needed, on Monday, September 28, at 4:30 p.m. in the C. Vernon Gray Room. Legislation being heard this evening will be given final consideration at our legislative session on October 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. here in the Banneker Room. We will be calling people on each piece of legislation in the order in which you signed in. Please give your name and address for the record when you are seated at the podium. If you are the only speaker representing an organization, please identify that organization before you begin. Speakers who are the only representative from an organization will have five minutes to speak; all others have three minutes. You may not yield your time to another speaker or to a presentation. The timer will make an audible sound when your time is up. Please finish your sentence and respect others who are waiting to speak. If you have written testimony, please give it to our Administrator, Jessica Feldmark, for distribution and for the record. If you have not signed in through our electronic system, but wish to speak tonight, please see Meredith Beach of our staff for assistance in signing in.
 - C. Approve Reading of bills by short title.

Mary Kay Sigaty, Chairperson moved to Approve Reading of 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, Jon Weinstein, Vice Chairperson, Calvin Ball, Member, Greg Fox, Member, and Jennifer Teresa, Member.

NAYS: None.

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

A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 112-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Alan Whitworth to the Public Works Board. (tabled 7-31-2015)
 - a. Alan Whitworth - 12690 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville - called to speak
2. Council Resolution 124-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Janice Agazio to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.
 - a. Janice Agazio - 8601 Sassafras Court, Columbia - called to speak
3. Council Resolution 125-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Donna M. Blackwell to the Board of Social Services.
 - a. Donna Blackwell - 7924 Butterfield Avenue, Elkridge - called to speak
 - b. Sheron Morton - 4005 Highpoint Road, Ellicott City - Chairman of the Board HC Dept. Social Services - called to speak, in favor of
4. Council Resolution 126-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Douglas A. Dribben, P.E., to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.
 - a. Douglas Dribben - 10307 Winstead Court, Woodstock - called to speak
5. Council Resolution 127-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Alice Giles to the Commission for Women.
 - a. Alice Giles - 9614 Donnan Castle Court, Laurel - called to speak
 - b. Suellen Seigal - Commission for Women - called to speak, in favor of
 - c. Ellen Flynn Giles - member, Board of Education - called to speak, in favor of
6. Council Resolution 128-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joyce Kim to the Commission for Women.

- a. Joyce Kim - 3420 Sonia Trail, Ellicott City - called to speak
 - b. Suellen Seigal - Commission for Women - called to speak, in favor of
7. Council Resolution 129-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Nancy L. Smith to the Housing and Community Development Board.
 - a. Nancy Smith - 10001 Windstream Drive, Columbia - called to speak
8. Council Resolution 130-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gary A. Stewart to the Board of Health.
 - a. Gary Stewart - 10209 Round Road, Columbia - called to speak
9. Council Resolution 131-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Donzella Curtis to the Housing Commission.
10. Council Resolution 132-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Antonio S. daRosa to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.
11. Council Resolution 133-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Ryan C. Frederic to the Howard County Board of Directors of the Revenue Authority.
12. Council Resolution 134-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Edward Plitt, III to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.
13. Council Resolution 135-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of M. Lee Preston, Jr. to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.
14. Council Resolution 136-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Wanda L. Riddle to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.
15. Council Resolution 137-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Bruce Rothschild to the Board of Library Trustees.
16. Council Resolution 138-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Todd Snyder to the Pension Oversight Commission.
17. Council Resolution 139-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Charley Sung to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

Council Bill 41-2015 - AN ACT amending the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan, Deferred Retirement Option Program II in order to clarify certain interest accruals for the Chief of Police and Chief of Fire and Rescue Services; providing that certain compensation amounts will be included in determining the average compensation for certain Chiefs under certain conditions; and generally relating to the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan.

a. Lonnie Robbins - HC, Chief Administrative Officer - called to speak

B. Financial

1. SAO1-FY2016 - AN ACT transferring \$68,260 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Housing and Community Development to account for increased Community Development Block Grant funding.

a. Tom Carbo - Director, Dept. of Housing & Community Development - called to speak

C. General

1. Council Bill 39-2015 (ZRA154) - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of Robert and F. Maxine Walker - AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations' Limited Outdoor Social Assemblies conditional use to permit the interior use of existing farm structures during events; and generally relating to Limited Outdoor Social Assemblies.

- a. Alec Adams - called to speak, presentation of petition, in support of
- b. Thomas Jones - 3663 Jennings Chapel Road, Woodbine - called to speak, in favor of
- c. Jenny Casasco - 3365 Jennings Chapel Road, Woodbine - called to speak, in favor of
- d. Denise Boido - 3666 Jennings Chapel Road, Woodbine - called to speak, in favor of
- e. Ralph Porter- 3760 Jennings Chapel Road, Woodbine - called to speak, in favor of
- f. Maxine Walker - called to speak, in favor of
- g. Jonathan Soudry - called to speak, in favor of
- h. Kerry Manning - called to speak, in favor of
- i. Jean Bourgress - called to speak, in favor of

2. Council Bill 40-2015 - AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 29.38 acres of agricultural land located at 13945 Forsythe Road, Sykesville, Howard County, Maryland, from Our Forsythe, LLC, or any other owner thereof, for a maximum purchase price of \$635,400.00 or, if less, not more than \$21,625.60 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 – HC Planning Supervisor, called to speak
3. Council Resolution 140-2015 - Introduced by Mary Kay Sigaty; Co-sponsored by: Calvin Ball, Jennifer Terrasa and Jon Weinstein - A RESOLUTION amending the Howard County Council Rules of Procedure to allow a Council Member to be added as a co-sponsor at a certain time and in a certain manner; and generally relating to the Council Rules of Procedure.
 4. Council Resolution 141-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION acknowledging receipt of the annual report of the Howard County Retirement Plan and the Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan submitted by the Pension Oversight Commission.
 5. Council Resolution 142-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson - A RESOLUTION setting the compensation of the Howard County Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.
 6. Council Resolution 143-2015 - A RESOLUTION endorsing a Howard County application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for certain grants under the Federal Transit Act.

- a. John Powell – HC Transportation Administrator - called to speak
7. Council Resolution 144-2015 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Sections 16.301 and 16.200(a) of the Howard County Code, granting a variance for government uses from the structure and use setback for the construction of the Mayfield Fire & Rescue Logistics Facility to be located on Meadowridge Road.

- a. Holger Serrano - Assistant to the Director, DPW - called to speak

Adjourned - 8:17pm

III. Tabled

- A. Council Resolution 68-2015 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that certain real property known as the "Flier Building" owned by

Howard County, Maryland, containing approximately 2.159 acres, and located at 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway, Maryland is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; 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 sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use. (tabled 7-6-2015)

- B. Council Resolution 69-2015 - A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that certain real property known as the "Hurst Building" owned by Howard County, containing approximately 1.92 acres, and located at 9770 Washington Boulevard and 9790 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland, is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; 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 sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use. (tabled 7-6-2015)
- C. Council Resolution 112-2015 - A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Alan Whitworth to the Public Works Board. (tabled 7-31-2015)
- D. Council Bill 37-2015 (ZRA 155) - Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Jonathan L. Miller and Sonya A. Miller - AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations' Home-Based Contractors conditional use to permit the Home-Based Contractors conditional use in the R-20 zoning district under certain conditions; and generally relating to Home-Based Contractors. (tabled 7-31-2015)

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