



Howard County Council

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3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, Maryland 21043-4392

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Minutes (approved)
February 16, 2016

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Members present: Calvin Ball, Council Chairperson, Jon Weinstein, Council Vice Chairperson, Greg Fox, Council Member, Mary Kay Sigaty, Council Member and Jen Terrasa, Council Member.

Staff Present: Jessica Feldmark, Administrator, Jennifer Sager, Administration, Theo Wimberly, Legislative Assistant, Craig Glendenning, County Auditor, Edward Shulder, Deputy County Auditor, Gary Kuc, County Solicitor, and Charity Respass, Administrative Aide

- I. Call to Order at 7:02 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Weinstein
- III. Legislation

Calvin Ball, Chairperson moved to approve the reading of the bills by short title, seconded by Jon Weinstein, Vice Chairperson.

The motion carried as follows

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

A. Appointments

1. Council Resolution 12-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jonathan Bos to the Historic Preservation Commission.
 - a. Fred Dorsey - 10774 Judy Lane, Columbia - called to speak for Preservation Howard County
 - b. Allan Shad - 3618 Fels Lane, Ellicott City - called to speak
 - c. Eileen Tennor - 5536 Suffield Court, Columbia - called to speak

2. Council Resolution 13-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joan Hash to the Human Rights Commission.
 - a. Joan Hash - 11705 Farside Road, Ellicott City - called to speak
 - b. Opel Jones - 7307 Summit Rock Road, Elkridge - called to speak
3. Council Resolution 14-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Peter Hwang to the Human Rights Commission.
 - a. Peter Hwang - 8378 Governor Grayson Way, Ellicott City - called to speak
 - b. Opel Jones - 7307 Summit Rock Road, Elkridge - called to speak
4. Council Resolution 15-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Stanley Levy to the Board of Social Services.
 - a. Stanley Levi - 5026 Durham Road East, Columbia - called to speak
5. Council Resolution 16-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ivan Montoya to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.
 - a. Ivan Montoya - 6806 Roslyn Court, Columbia - called to speak
6. Council Resolution 17-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bradley Myers to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Revenue Authority.
 - a. Brad Myers - 6001 Florey Road, Hanover - called to speak
7. Council Resolution 18-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Millicent Nwolisa to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.
 - a. Millicent Nwolisa - 9300 Ridings Way, Laurel - called to speak
8. Council Resolution 19-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jason Peay to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
 - a. Jason Peay - 12869 Lime Kiln Road, Highland - called to speak
9. Council Resolution 20-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Brandon Robinson to the Public Works Board.
 - a. Brandon Robinson - 6222 Slender Sky, Columbia - called to speak

10. Council Resolution 21-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Matthew Smithson to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.
 - a. Matthew Smithson - 12970 State Route 108, Clarksville - called to speak
 - b. Fred Dorsey - 10774 Judy Lane, Columbia - called to speak
11. Council Resolution 22-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment Christopher Tsien of to the Environmental Sustainability Board.
 - a. Chris Tsien - 5022 Cloudburst Hill, Columbia - called to speak
12. Council Resolution 23-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michael Willis to the Commission on Aging.
 - a. Michael Willis - 10569 Gorman Road, Laurel - called to speak
13. Council Resolution 24-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Bita Dayoff as a member to the Howard County Local Children’s Board.
14. Council Resolution 25-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Gwynn Marsh-Armstrong as a student member to the Howard County Local Children’s Board.
15. Council Resolution 26-2016 – A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Connie Molter to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board.

B. Financial

1. Council Bill 6-2016 – AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving an Assignment of Amended Agreement between Howard County, Maryland, the Central Maryland Regional Transit Corporation and the Center for Transportation and the Environment for an assignment of an amended Consulting Agreement for the Electric Bus Project and ratifying the County’s approval of the Assignment.
 - a. Clive Graham, Deputy Director Department of Planning and Zoning - called to speak for the Administration

C. General

1. Council Bill 7-2016 – Introduced by: Jennifer Terrasa and Calvin Ball; AN ACT authorizing the Howard County Police Department to enforce parking restrictions related to plug-in vehicle recharging stations; and generally related to parking control in Howard County.
 - a. Lanny Hartmann - 7244 Riding Hood Circle, Columbia - called to speak
 - b. Scott Wilson - 2204 Norbeck Road, Silver Spring - called to speak
 - c. Vladislav Ivanov - 1452 Churchhill Place, Westin, VA - called to speak

2. Council Bill 8-2016 – AN ACT adopting the National Fire Protection Association 1, Fire Code, 2015 Edition as the Howard County Fire Prevention Code, which sets certain fire safety requirements for structures in order to protect life and property; making certain local amendments to the Fire Code; clarifying the duties of the Department of Fire and Rescue Services; amending certain definitions in the Fire Code; requiring certain registration of fire suppression systems; enhancing requirements for certain bulk tire storage; requiring certain inspections of mobile food vending platforms; requiring certain permits for certain actions taken with certain hazardous materials; providing for certain abatement when approved by the Authority Having Jurisdiction; updating fire lanes designation; and generally relating to fire safety requirements and fire prevention in Howard County.
 - a. Chief Butler, Department of Fire and Rescue - called to speak for the Administration
 - b. Assistant Chief Merson, Fire Marshall - called to speak

3. Council Bill 9-2016 and Council Bill 10-2016 were read together
 - Council Bill 9-2016 - AN ACT pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code, approving provisions in a collective bargaining agreement between Howard County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Howard County Local 1810, Council 67, AFL-CIO that are in conflict with the provisions of Title 1 "Human Resources" of the Howard County Code or the Employee Manual; and providing for the application of this Act
 - Council Bill 10-2016 - AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; adding steps to the pay scales for members of a certain collective bargaining unit that were recently negotiated in a collective bargaining agreement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.
 - a. Wanda Hutchinson, Human Resources Administrator - called to speak for the Administration

4. Council Resolution 27-2016 - Introduced by: Jon Weinstein and Jennifer Terrasa; A RESOLUTION proposing to amend Section 611 "Lapsed Appropriations" of the Howard County Charter and add Section 907 "Citizen Funded Campaigns" to the Howard County Charter; and submitting this amendment to the voters of Howard County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with Article X of the Howard County Charter and Article XIA of the Maryland Constitution.
 - a. Byron Macfarlane, Register of Wills - 9626 Glendower Court, Laurel - called to speak
 - b. Suzanne Geckle - 12650 Emory Farm Lane, Sykesville - called to speak
 - c. Emily Scarr - 2917 Crestmont Avenue, Baltimore - called to speak for Maryland PIRG
 - d. Karla Raettig - 3002 Laurel Avenue, Cheverly - called to speak for Maryland League of Conservation Voters
 - e. Jennifer Bevan Dangel - 1632 Mt. Airy Court, Crofton - called to speak for Maryland Common Cause
 - f. Meagan Braganca - 3720 Valerie Carol Court, Ellicott City - called to speak for Sierra Club
 - g. Thomas Klotz - 10806 Hilltop Lane, Columbia - called to speak
 - h. Doug Miller - 5437 Antrim Court, Columbia - called to speak for Get Money Out - Maryland
 - i. Opel Jones - 7307 Summit Rock Road, Elkridge - called to speak
 - j. Yasmin Shemali - 11601 Dark Fire Way, Columbia - called to speak
 - k. Mary Marker - 7131 Willow Brook Way, Columbia - called to speak
 - l. Justin Vest - 14142 Castle Boulevard, Silver Spring - called to speak for Progressive Maryland
 - m. Lisa Markovitz - 2948 Normandy Drive, Ellicott City - called to speak for The People's Voice
 - n. Larry Grosser - 5242 Hesperus Drive, Columbia - called to speak
 - o. Marcia White - 9384 Diamondback Drive, Columbia - called to speak
 - p. Erin Oliver - 8522 Winter Pasture Way, Columbia - called to speak for League of Women Voters
 - q. Stephan Cornwell - called to speak
 - r. Corey Andrews - called to speak

5. Council Resolution 28-2016 - Introduced by: Greg Fox at the request of Friends of Haviland Mill Road; A RESOLUTION approving an amendment to the Howard County Inventory of Scenic Roads which adds Haviland Mill Road, a rural, historically significant road to the Inventory.
 - a. Brooke Farquhar - 6883 Haviland Mill Road, Clarksville - called to speak for Friends of Haviland Mills Road
 - b. Lloyd Stowe - 13905 Wayside Drive, Clarksville - called to speak

- c. Fred Dorsey - 10774 Judy Lane, Columbia - called to speak for Preservation Howard County
6. Council Bill 12-2016 - AN ACT reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; transferring certain functions currently performed by the Department of Housing and Community Development to the Department of Citizen Services; creating a new Office of Housing and Community Partnerships within the Department of Citizen Services; correcting the positions that are appointed by certain appointing authorities; amending the duties and responsibilities of certain offices; renaming the Department of Citizen Services to be the Department of Community Resources and Services; renaming the Office on Aging to be the Office on Aging and Independence; renaming the Office of Consumer Affairs to be the Office of Consumer Protection; renaming the Office of Children's Services to be the Office of Children and Families; renaming the Commission on Aging to the Commission on Aging and Independence; renaming the Advisory Board on Consumer Affairs to be the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection; providing that certain employees of the Howard County Housing Commission are members of the County Retirement Plan and eligible for Other Post-Employment Benefits; providing for certain legal representation of the Howard County Housing Commission; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government.
- a. Lonnie Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer for Howard County - called to speak for the Administration
 - b. Thomas Carbo - called to speak for the Administration
 - c. Phyllis Madachy, Director of Department of Citizen Services - called to speak for the Administration
 - d. Tom Meachum - 10715 Charter Drive, Columbia - called to speak for Association of Community Services
 - e. John DiTomasso - 9448 Farewell Road, Columbia - called to speak for Oakland Mills Improvement Association
 - f. Bill McCormack, Jr. - 9569 Patchin Court, Columbia - called to speak for Oakland Mills Village Board
 - g. Caroline Harper - 7317 Eden Brook Drive, Columbia - called to speak for Howard County Board of Housing and Community Development
 - h. Michael Davis - 10323 Wilde Lake Terrace, Columbia - called to speak
 - i. Carole McPhee - 7353 Kerry Hill Court, Columbia - called to speak

IV. 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 Bill 2-2016 (ZRA 156) - Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of ATAPCO Howard Square I Business Trust; AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations’ CAC (Corridor Activity Center) Zoning District to allow for the reduction of the commercial space requirement in residential developments, if determined appropriate by the Department of Planning and Zoning; and generally relating to CAC developments. (tabled 2-1-2016)
- C. Council Bill 52-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and Cosponsored by Greg Fox; AN ACT amending the existing Watershed Protection and Restoration Fee to include the rates in the Howard County Code; reducing the rates of the fee beginning on July 1, 2016; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the abrogation of certain provisions of the Howard County Code related to the fee, as of July 1, 2017; and generally relating to the Watershed Protection and Restoration Fee. (tabled 2-1-2016)
- D. Council Resolution 181-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and Cosponsored by Greg Fox; A RESOLUTION amending schedules for various charges related to the Watershed Protection and Restoration Fee; removing certain fees because they are being transferred to the County Code; providing for an effective date of certain changes; providing for certain changes to be effective in Fiscal Year 2018. (tabled 2-1-2016)
- E. Council Resolution 182-2015 - Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and cosponsored by Greg Fox; A RESOLUTION approving a financial assurance plan for funding Howard County’s stormwater management program for a two-year period, in accordance with Section 4-202.1 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. (tabled 2-1-2016)

V. Adjourned at 11:04 p.m.