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# **Legislative Work Session**

Howard County Council Monday, September 26, 2016 Banneker Room 4:30 p.m.

## **Agenda**

(All legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive unless otherwise noted.)

- 1. Council Bill 59-2016 (ZRA 164) Introduced by: Calvin Ball; AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to remove certain restrictions that limit the size of Commercial Solar Facilities on County Preservation Parcels and allow Commercial Solar Facilities as a Conditional Use on RR and RC zoned properties, under certain conditions; and generally relating to Commercial Solar Facilities.
- **2.** Council Bill 64-2016 Introduced by: Calvin Ball; AN ACT authorizing the Howard County Office of Law to institute any civil action or other proceedings to enforce the financial audit of the Howard County Public School System mandated by Council Resolution No. 88-2016; and generally relating to enforcement of Resolution No. 88-2016.
- 3. Council Bill 65-2016 Introduced by: Jon Weinstein; AN ACT temporarily prohibiting issuance of certain permits for certain development within a specified area of Howard County; finding that development in the Tiber-Hudson Watershed may be a contributing factor to flooding in Historic Ellicott City and thus may be a threat to the public health, safety and welfare; requesting the Department of Planning Zoning and other County agencies to study and report certain matters and make recommendations regarding such matters; providing that the purposes of this Act are to provide the Department of Planning and Zoning and other County agencies with time to study whether development in the specified area needs to be further restricted or modified and to make recommendations for improvement, and to give the County Council time to act on the recommendations; defining certain terms; providing certain exemptions from the Act; establishing certain processes on the development review and permitting processes; providing that this Act shall be abrogated and

(410) 313-2001 fax: (410) 313-3297 http://cc.howardcountymd.gov of no further force and effect after a certain period; and generally relating to land use, permitting activities, storm water management, drainage and flood mitigation.

**4.** Council Resolution 113-2016 – A RESOLUTION endorsing the provision of financing by the State Department of Commerce for an economic development project in Howard County and certifying that the project is consistent with the County's plan for economic development.

## 5. Affordable Housing in Downtown Columbia

Council Bill 43-2016 – Introduced by Jennifer Terrasa; AN ACT amending the Downtown Columbia Plan to establish an Affordable Housing Inclusionary Zoning provision for Downtown Columbia, under certain conditions; amending certain Community Enhancements, Programs, and Public Amenities (CEPPAs) requirements regarding affordable housing; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.

Council Bill 44-2016 (ZRA 162) – Introduced by Jennifer Terrasa; AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations' New Town (NT) District Downtown Revitalization regulations to include a 15 percent Affordable Housing Inclusionary Zoning provision for Downtown Columbia, under certain conditions; and generally relating to the NT District.

Council Bill 45-2016 – Introduced by Jennifer Terrasa; AN ACT amending the Howard County Code's Downtown Columbia provisions regarding affordable housing payments required by Community Enhancements, Programs, and Public Amenities (CEPPAs) to reflect an inclusionary zoning provision for Downtown Columbia; and generally relating to affordable housing in Downtown Columbia.

Council Bill 52-2016 – AN ACT amending the *Downtown Columbia Plan*, a General Plan Amendment, to revise the Downtown Columbia affordable housing program; setting forth methods for the development of affordable housing; revising the Downtown Revitalization Phasing Progression to reflect the timing of affordable housing development; amending certain Community Enhancements, Programs and Public Amenities to reflect the methods for the development of affordable housing; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.

Council Bill 53-2016 – AN ACT amending *PlanHoward 2030*, the general plan for Howard County, in order to amend the number of housing unit allocations available to developers of new residential units in Downtown Columbia for the period 2015 - 2030; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.

Council Bill 54-2016 (ZRA 170) – AN ACT requiring a new configuration of affordable housing in Downton Columbia under certain conditions with certain alternatives; amending and providing for certain parking requirements related to residential units in Downtown Columbia; providing certain requirements for certain plans; requiring that certain types of

construction provide for art in the community; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations.

Council Bill 55-2016 – AN ACT amending the County Code by clarifying that certain moderate income housing units are provided in certain Zoning Districts as required by the Howard County Zoning Regulations or when required by certain plans; exempting Downtown Columbia from a certain provision of the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance; amending certain payments for affordable housing required by each developer of residential property within Downtown Columbia under certain conditions; and generally relating to development in Downtown Columbia.

Council Resolution 103-2016 – A RESOLUTION approving and authorizing the execution of a Development Rights and Responsibilities Agreement by Howard Research And Development Corporation and Howard County in accordance with Title 16, Subtitle 17 of the Howard County Code; authorizing the Executive to make changes to the Agreement, under certain conditions; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Agreement; providing for the effective date of this Resolution, and generally relating to the Agreement.

Council Resolution 104-2016 – A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive's sale of 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; 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.

Legislative work sessions are open meetings. The public is welcome to attend; however, testimony is not taken at the work session. The public is invited to send written testimony any time before the final vote. Testimony emailed to <a href="mailto:Councilmail@howardcountymd.gov">Councilmail@howardcountymd.gov</a> will be received by all members of the County Council.