

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
Minutes of
Legislative Session 2025, Legislative Day No. 6
March 17, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.

The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Hummer at 7:04 P.M. It was opened with the Invocation, given by Ms. Fiedler, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Scouts of America. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 90 persons in the audience.

The following members of the County Council were present:

Pete Smith	First District
Allison Pickard	Second District
Nathan Volke	Third District
Julie K. Hummer	Fourth District
Amanda Fiedler	Fifth District
Lisa D.B. Rodvien	Sixth District
Shannon Leadbetter	Seventh District

Meredith Beach, Legislative Counsel, was present.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Kaley Schultze, Administrative Officer, read aloud the Ethics Statement.

INVITATION TO AUDIENCE

The Chair opened Invitation to Audience.

The Administrative Officer stated there were two submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Invitation to Audience, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke at Invitation to Audience:

Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Steven Waddy, Severn
Paul Higgins, Pasadena
Moir, Sea Scouts, Scouts of America
Marcus Parker, Scouts of America
Aiden Ross, Scouts of America

There was no one else present who wished to speak, and the Invitation to Audience was closed.

PRELIMINARY MOTION

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Mr. Smith, the Council voted that the partial reading of any bill, resolution, minutes, or amendment constitutes the reading of the whole.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Smith, the minutes for March 3, 2025, Legislative Day No. 5, Closed Session, March 3, 2025, and Closed Session, March 11, 2025, were approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL NO. 25-25 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Branches of County Government – Executive Branch – Public Safety – Department of Animal Services – Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Animal Welfare Council – Personnel – Exempt Service – Public Ethics – Financial Disclosure – Director of Animal Services – FOR the purpose of creating the Department of Animal Services in the Executive Branch; establishing the position, duties, qualifications, and method of appointment of the Director of the Department of Animal Services in the exempt service as the head of the Department of Animal Services; requiring the Director of Animal Services to file financial disclosure statements required under the Public Ethics Article; creating the Animal Welfare Council; establishing the purpose, composition, member terms, method for appointing the chair, frequency of meetings, quorum, and duties of the Animal Welfare Council; modifying the provisions of the Public Safety Article to abolish Animal Care and Control in the Police Department and to assign all of its duties to the newly created the Department of Animal Services; assigning duties to the Director of the Department of Animal Services; modifying certain definitions relating to the Department of Animal Services; providing for the modification of fees imposed by the Department of Animal Services; modifying the composition of the Animal Matters Commission; providing for a secretary and support for the Animal Matters Commission; establishing the burden of proof for citations heard by the Animal Matters Commission; removing a provision relating to the confidentiality of the records of the Department of Animal Services; requiring ferrets to be vaccinated for rabies as required by State law; modifying the requirements for a waiver of rabies vaccination for dogs, cats, and ferrets; modifying what animals and establishments must be licensed by the Department of Animal Services; removing provisions related to petting zoos; allowing public contact with animals through farm and other agricultural uses; increasing the time before which an individual must deliver a stray dog or cat to the Department of Animal Services; making general modifications to Title 4 of the Public Safety Article; and generally relating to branches of County government, boards, commissions, and similar bodies, personnel, public ethics, and public safety.

Introduced by Ms. Hummer, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 26-25 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Subdivision and Development – Public Charter Schools – FOR the purpose of adding an applicability exemption to the development plan

process for public charter schools as defined in § 9-102 of the Education Article of the State Code; and generally relating to subdivision and development.
Introduced by Mr. Smith

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 9-25 – RESOLUTION appointing members to the Public Campaign Financing System Commission
Introduced by Ms. Hummer, Chair

The Chair stated Resolution No. 9-25 would be voted on at the end of the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CALL OF BILLS FOR FINAL READING AND/OR VOTE

BILL NO. 17-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 17-25, An Ordinance concerning: Snug Harbor Waterways Improvement District – Modification – For the purpose of modifying the limits of the Snug Harbor Waterways Improvement District; and generally relating to finance, taxation, and budget; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Steven Theroux, Assistant Budget Officer, and Lori Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 17-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 17-25.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 17-25, An Ordinance concerning: Snug Harbor Waterways Improvement District – Modification; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment removes 9003-0188, known as 1705 Snug Harbor Road from the bill, making it current with Code as established in Bill No. 70-21.

Ms. Schultze stated this is a technical amendment.

Ms. Hummer explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, Amendment No. 11 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Bill No. 17-25, as amended, was passed by the following roll call:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

BILL NO. 19-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 19-25, An Ordinance concerning: Current Expense Budget – Second Quarter Transfer and Supplementary Appropriations – For the purpose of transferring and making supplementary appropriations of funds between certain offices, departments, institutions, boards, commissions, or other agencies in the general fund and certain special funds of the County government for the current fiscal year; and generally relating to transferring appropriations of funds and making supplementary appropriations of funds to the current expense budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Pickard explained the background and purpose of the bill.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Steven Theroux, Assistant Budget Officer, Rhody Holthaus, Deputy Director, DPW, Alex Baquie, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Highways, Cedric Grant, CFO, Library, Chauncey Hall, Chief Programs Officer, ACDS, and Lori Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 19-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 19-25.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 19-25, An Ordinance concerning: Current Expense Budget – Second Quarter Transfer and Supplementary Appropriations; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 19-25 was passed by the following roll call:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

BILL NO. 2-25 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 2-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Development Requirements for Particular Types of Development – Redevelopment – For the purpose of adding development requirements for redevelopment; establishing the applicability of new development requirements for redevelopment under certain circumstances to specified policy areas; defining certain terms; setting forth requirements for a concept plan, an application, community meetings, and notice of community meetings for redevelopment; providing that certain applications for development may proceed to final plan or site development plan; providing for certain modifications and exemptions from modifications for redevelopment under certain circumstances; specifying open space, landscape, and natural feature requirements for redevelopment; requiring redevelopment in critical areas to comply with applicable laws ; establishing requirements for redevelopment to pass adequate public facilities testing; reducing certain fees for redevelopment; adding multifamily dwellings as a conditional use and providing for the conditions in the C4 district; adding townhouse dwellings in a redevelopment project as a conditional use in commercial districts and providing for the conditions; modifying conditional use requirements for multifamily dwellings and for townhouse and stacked townhouse dwellings for redevelopment in commercial districts; and generally relating to subdivision and development, and zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Janssen Evelyn, Deputy CAO, Jenny Dempsey, Planning and Zoning Officer, Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, and Lori Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 2-25, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were five submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 2-25, as amended, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 2-25, as amended:

Ed Morris, Severna Park
Maureen Carr York, Severna Park

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 2-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Development Requirements for Particular Types of Development – Redevelopment; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No. 13

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment modifies the applicability of Article 17, Title 7, Subtitle 12 to the Glen Burnie Sustainable Community Overlay Area.

Mr. Evelyn explained the amendment.

Ms. Pickard thanked the Administration for the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 13 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Amendment No. 14

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment comports the definition of “substantial improvement” to the definition in Article 16 of the Code.

Mr. Evelyn explained the amendment.

Ms. Rodvien asked that the definition in Article 16 be read.

Ms. Miller read the definition.

Ms. Pickard asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Miller answered.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 14 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Amendment No. 15

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment requires redevelopment applicants to respond to feedback received at the pre-application meeting.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

Mr. Evelyn spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 15 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Amendment No. 16

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment modifies the applicability of the bill.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

Ms. Fiedler asked clarifying questions.

Ms. Pickard answered.

Mr. Evelyn explained the Administration's position on the amendment.

Ms. Hummer clarified the amendment.

Ms. Pickard spoke on annual reporting.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 16 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Ms. Rodvien, Mr. Smith, Ms. Hummer
Nay – Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Leadbetter

Amendment No. 17

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This technical amendment adds the legislative intent to the purpose paragraph for a previously adopted amendment.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 17 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 2-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 3-25 and BILL NO. 4-25 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 3-25, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 9 Plan –For the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 9 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 9, covering the Mayo Peninsula, Galesville, West River, Shady Side, Churchton, Deale, Tracy’s Landing, North Beach, parts of Edgewater, and Friendship, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 9; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 9 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 9 Plan”; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Bill No. 4-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 9 – For the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 9; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 9, covering the Mayo Peninsula, Galesville, West River, Shady Side, Churchton, Deale, Tracy’s Landing, North Beach, parts of Edgewater, and Friendship; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Deputy Planning and Zoning Officer, Cindy Carrier, Planning Administrator, Eric Ketterling, Senior Planner, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bills.

The Chair called for a joint public hearing on Bill No. 3-25 and Bill No. 4-25, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were two submissions for Bill No. 3-25, and one submission for Bill No. 4-25, as amended, of written testimony received through the online testimony tool, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following people spoke on Bill No. 3-25 and Bill No. 4-25, as amended:

Elizabeth del Castillo, Edgewater
Peter Quirk, Edgewater
Julia Howes, Churchton
Philip Hager, Annapolis

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 3-25, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 9 Plan; and Bill No. 4-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 9; the Administrative Officer read a portion of the titles.

The Chair asked if the signage requirements have been met for the amendments.

Ms. Schultze confirmed.

Bill No. 3, Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the planned land use for the property known as Parcel 159 on Tax Map 56, located at 25 Leeland Road, Edgewater, from Maritime to Low Density Residential.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

Mr. Ketterling spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 1 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 4

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 159 on Tax Map 56, located at 25 Leeland Road, Edgewater, from MA1-B-Neighborhood Marina to R1-Residential.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning supports.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Smith, Amendment No. 4 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 3, Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the planned land use for a portion of a private right-of-way near the property known as Parcel 434 on Tax Map 69, 4806 Riverside Drive, Galesville, from Low Density Residential to Maritime.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning does not object.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 2 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 5

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of a portion of a private right-of-way near the property known as Parcel 434 on Tax Map 69, 4806 Riverside Drive, Galesville, from R2-Residential to MA3-Yacht Club.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning does not object.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 5 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 3, Amendment No. 3

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the planned land use for a portion of the property known as Parcel 409 on Tax Map 69, located at 1000 Main Street, Galesville, from Low Density Residential to Maritime.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

Mr. Ketterling spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 3 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 6

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of a portion of the property known as Parcel 409 on Tax Map 69, located at 1000 Main Street, Galesville, from R2-Residential to MA3-Yacht Club in its entirety.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning supports.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 6 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 3, Amendment No. 4

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the planned land use for the property known as Parcel 14, Lot 1, on Tax Map 74, located at 5610 Shady Side Road, Churchton, from Low Density Residential to a split of Low Density Residential and Commercial.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

Mr. Ketterling spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 4 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 7

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 14, Lot 1, on Tax Map 74, located at 5610 Shady Side Road, Churchton, from R1-Residential to a split of R1-Residential and C3-Commercial Office.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 7 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 8

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 79 on Tax Map 60, located at 3807 Pine Drive, Edgewater, from a split of R2-Residential and OS-Open Space to R2-Residential.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning supports.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 8 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 9

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 240, Lot 5 on Tax Map 69, located at 847 Shady Oaks Drive, West River, from MA2-Light Commercial Marina to R2-Residential.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

Mr. Ketterling spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 9 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 4, Amendment No. 10

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of a portion of the property known as Parcel 143, Lot 3R on Tax Map 81, located at 249 Hidden Valley Road, Tracys Landing, from OS-Open Space to RA-Rural Agricultural.

Mr. Ketterling explained the amendment.

Ms. Leadbetter supports.

On motion of Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 10 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Ms. Leadbetter spoke on a recommendation.

Mr. Ketterling responded.

There was further discussion on the recommendation.

The Chair stated that Bill No. 3-25, as amended, and Bill No. 4-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 9-25 and BILL NO. 10-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 9-25, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 1 Plan – For the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 1 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 1, covering Brooklyn Park, Linthicum Heights, Curtis Bay, Ferndale, BWI Airport, Harmans, and parts of Hanover, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 1; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 1 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 1 Plan”; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Bill No. 10-25, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 1 – For the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 1; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 1, covering Brooklyn Park, Linthicum Heights, Curtis Bay, Ferndale, BWI Airport, Harmans, and parts of Hanover; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Deputy Planning and Zoning Officer, Cindy Carrier, Planning Administrator, Mark Wildonger, Senior Planner, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bills.

The Chair called for a joint public hearing on Bill No. 9-25 and Bill No. 10-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were two submissions for Bill No. 9-25, and two submissions for Bill No. 10-25, as amended, of written testimony received through the online testimony tool, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill 9-25 and Bill 10-25, as amended:

Philip Hager, Annapolis
Ken Doane, Glen Burnie
Robert Busick Jr, Ferndale
Robert Busick III, Ferndale

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Smith responded to the public hearing.

The Chair called for Bill No. 9-25, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 1 Plan; and Bill No. 10-25, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 1; the Administrative Officer read a portion of the titles.

The Chair asked if the signage requirements have been met for the amendments.

Ms. Schultze confirmed.

Bill No. 10, Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 242, Lot 3, on Tax Map 1, located at 196 Nursery Road, Linthicum, from a split of R5-Residential and OS-Open Space to R5-Residential.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning supports.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 2 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Bill No. 10, Amendment No. 3

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 262 on Tax Map 4 and Parcel 169 on Tax Map 3, located at 781 and 783 Elkridge Landing Road, Linthicum, from W1-Industrial Park to W2-Light Industrial.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning offers no objections.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 3 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 9, Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the planned land use for the property known as Parcel 247 on Tax Map 5, located at no # Fairfax Avenue, Baltimore, from Medium Density Residential to Industrial.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning supports.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, Amendment No. 1 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Bill No. 10, Amendment No. 4

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 247 on Tax Map 5, located at no # Fairfax Avenue, Baltimore, from R10-Residential to W2-Light Industrial.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning supports.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 4 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 9-25, as amended, and Bill No. 10-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 11-25 (As Amended) and BILL NO. 12-25 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 11-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 3 Plan – For the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 3 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 3, covering Glen Burnie, Severn, and parts of Millersville, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 3; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 3 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 3 Plan”; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Bill No. 12-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 3 – For the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 3; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 3, covering Glen Burnie, Severn, and parts of Millersville; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Deputy Planning and Zoning Officer, Cindy Carrier, Planning Administrator, Patrick Hughes, Senior Planner, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bills.

The Chair called for a joint public hearing on Bill No. 11-25, as amended, and Bill No. 12-25, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 11-25, as amended, and Bill No. 12-25, as amended.

The following persons spoke on Bill 11-25, as amended, and Bill 12-25, as amended:

Jay Hudson, Pasadena
Philip Hager, Annapolis

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 11-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 3 Plan; and Bill No. 12-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 3; the Administrative Officer read a portion of the titles.

The Chair asked if the signage requirements have been met for the amendments.

Ms. Schultze stated there is one property that did not turn in the sign certification so Amendment No. 5 will not be offered.

Bill No. 12-25, Amendment No. 6

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcel 45, Lots 1 and 2 and part of Lots 3 and 4, Parcel 48, part of Lot 4, and Parcel 47, part of Lot 3 on Tax Map 9I, located at 401 Crain Highway, S., and 11 and 9 4th Avenue, SE, Glen Burnie, from C2-Commercial Office to C4-Highway Commercial.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning does not object.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 6 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Ms. Pickard expressed her thanks to those involved with the amendment.

Bill No. 12-25, Amendment No. 7

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcels 256 and 149 on Tax Map 10, located at 7462 and 7464 Furnace Branch Road, E, Glen Burnie, from C3-General Commercial to C4-Highway Commercial.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

The Office of Planning and Zoning does not object.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 7 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

MOTION TO HOLD

On the motion by Ms. Rodvien, seconded by Ms. Pickard, the motion to hold the vote for Bill No. 11-25, as amended, until April 7, 2025, was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 12-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 13-25 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 13-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Commercial and Industrial Districts – Uses – Animal Hospitals and Veterinary Clinics – For the purpose of amending the permitted use allowed in commercial districts for animal hospitals and veterinary clinics; permitting veterinary clinics without overnight stays or with limited overnight stays for necessary medical treatment, without outside runs or pens in commercial districts; permitting animal hospitals and veterinary clinics that offer overnights stays as a conditional use in certain commercial districts; amending permitted, conditional, and special exception uses in industrial districts for animal hospitals and veterinary clinics; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Fiedler explained the background and purpose of the bill.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 13-25, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 13-25, as amended.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 13-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Commercial and Industrial Districts – Uses – Animal Hospitals and Veterinary Clinics; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment adds a definition for “enclosed pens or enclosed runs”.

Ms. Fiedler explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

On motion of Ms. Fiedler, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, Amendment No. 2 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

Amendment No. 3

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment removes references to coops and fowl, adds references to enclosed pens, and clarifies all structures, enclosed pens or enclosed runs for the housing or shelter of animals to be located at least 50 feet from residentially zoned property.

Ms. Fiedler explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

On motion of Ms. Fiedler, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 3 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 13-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 14-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 14-25, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Archaeological Resources – For the purpose of amending the criteria used to determine archeological resources; and generally relating to subdivision and development; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Mr. Volke explained the background and purpose of the bill.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Deputy Planning and Zoning Officer, Darian Beverungen, Acting Planning Administrator – Cultural Resource, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

The Chair stated the public hearing was closed at the last meeting.

Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment provides that all archaeological work shall comply with the “Standards and Guidelines for Archeological Investigations in Maryland”.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Ms. Rodvien asked where to get the guidelines.

Ms. Miller answered.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 1 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This technical amendment corrects two typographical errors in the Ordinance.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 2 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No.14-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 16-25 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 16-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Requirements for Special Exception Uses – Assisted Living Facilities – Community Piers and Launching Ramps – For the purpose of amending the maximum height limitations for principal structures in assisted living facilities; adding assisted living facilities entities that own or control a community pier or launching ramp; adding assisted living facilities to slip requirements at

community piers; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Fiedler explained the background and purpose of the bill.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 16-25, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 16-25, as amended.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 16-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Requirements for Special Exception Uses – Assisted Living Facilities – Community Piers and Launching Ramps; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment corrects text in the Code, as passed in Bill No. 72-24, and provides for a delayed effective date that coincides with Bill No. 72-24.

The Administration supports.

On motion of Ms. Fiedler, seconded by Mr. Smith, Amendment No. 2 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 16-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on April 7, 2025.

BILL NO. 18-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 18-25, An Ordinance concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Board of Appeals – Zoning – Administrative Hearings – Mixed Use Districts – For the purpose of providing certain requirements for sector plans or studies before an administrative rezoning of certain properties to a mixed use district; and generally relating to

boards, commissions, and similar bodies, and zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 18-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 18-25.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 18-25, An Ordinance concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Board of Appeals – Zoning – Administrative Hearings – Mixed Use Districts; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

MOTION TO HOLD

On the motion by Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Pickard, the motion to hold the vote for Bill No. 18-25 until April 7, 2025, was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Ms. Rodvien commented on the bill.

BILL NO. 20-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 20-25, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Conditional Uses – Townhouse Dwellings and Workforce Housing – For the purpose of modifying the minimum setbacks for townhouse structures from the boundary line of the development site; modifying setback and height requirements for workforce housing projects; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt explained the background and purpose of the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 20-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were eight submissions for Bill No. 20-25 of written testimony received through the online testimony tool, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 20-25, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Conditional Uses – Townhouse Dwellings and Workforce Housing; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 20-25 was passed by the following roll call:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

BILL NO. 21-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 21-25, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Residential Districts – Use and Merger of Unimproved Lots of Substandard Area or Dimensions – For the purpose of allowing certain dwelling types on merged unimproved lots of substandard areas under certain circumstances; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Fiedler explained the background and purpose of the bill.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Ms. Miller spoke on the bill.

Mr. Volke asked for a timeframe to do the analysis.

Ms. Miller answered.

Mr. Volke asked for clarification on the bill.

Ms. Miller responded.

Ms. Fiedler commented on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 21-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 21-25.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Chair called for Bill No. 21-25, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Residential Districts – Use and Merger of Unimproved Lots of Substandard Area or Dimensions; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 21-25 was passed by the following roll call:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

CALL OF RESOLUTIONS FOR READING AND/OR VOTE

RESOLUTION NO. 9-25

The Chair called for Resolution No. 9-25, A Resolution appointing members to the Public Campaign Financing System Commission; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Resolution No. 9-25 was adopted by the following roll call:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES

On motion by Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, the motion to suspend Rule 4-101(b), to open the agenda and add Resolution No. 10-25 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

RESOLUTION NO. 10-25

The Chair called for Resolution No. 10-25, a Resolution appointing an acting County Auditor; and the Administrative Officer read the resolution.

Resolution No. 10-25 was adopted by the following roll call:

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith,
Ms. Hummer
Nay – None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Volke, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

By Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

For Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer