



COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 2

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.

County Council Chambers

44 Calvert Street

Annapolis, Maryland

- A. Call to Order
- B. Invocation (Leadbetter)
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Ethics Statement
- E. Invitation to Audience
- F. Announcement of Items Not Appearing on Agenda
- G. Preliminary Motion
- H. Approval of Minutes

January 5, 2026 – Legislative Day No. 1

January 5, 2026 – Closed Session

- I. Introduction of Bills

BILL NO. 7-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Current Expense Budget – Supplementary Appropriations – FOR the purpose of making supplementary appropriations from unanticipated revenues to certain offices, departments, institutions, boards, commissions or other agencies in the general fund and to 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, 2026.

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

BILL NO. 8-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Current Expense Budget – Board of Education – Supplementary Appropriation and Transfers of Funds – FOR the purpose of transferring appropriations of funds between certain offices, departments, institutions, boards, commissions or other agencies in the general fund; making supplementary appropriations from unanticipated revenues to the Local Education Fund for the current fiscal year; and generally relating to transferring and reducing appropriations of funds and

supplementary appropriations of funds in the current expense budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

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

BILL NO. 9-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Conditional Uses – Battery Energy Storage Systems – FOR the purpose of defining “battery energy storage system”; allowing “battery energy storage system” as a conditional use in certain residential, commercial, industrial, and mixed use districts; adding the conditional use requirements for a “battery energy storage system” facility; providing for the expedited review of certain projects; and generally relating to zoning.

Introduced by Ms. Fiedler

BILL NO. 10-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Police Accountability Board – Training – FOR the purpose of modifying a training requirement for voting members of the Police Accountability Board; and generally relating to boards, commissions, and similar bodies.

Introduced by Ms. Hummer

J. Introduction of Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 1-26 – RESOLUTION establishing an Ad Hoc Committee to study and make recommendations on the implementation of a Project Labor Agreements policy on certain County-funded construction projects

Introduced by Ms. Pickard and Ms. Hummer

K. Public Hearings and Call of Bills and Resolutions for Final Reading and/or Vote

BILL NO. 92-25 (As Amended)(Amendment(s) Proposed) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development – FOR the purpose of establishing development requirements for cottage home developments; providing for the site and density requirement for cottage home developments; providing for the infrastructure and amenity requirements for cottage home communities; defining “dwelling unit, cottage home”; providing for parking requirements for cottage home developments; permitting cottage home developments in certain residential districts; and generally relating to subdivision and development and zoning.

Introduced by Mr. Smith

BILL NO. 97-25 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Veterans Affairs Commission – FOR the purpose of changing the name of the “Anne Arundel County Veterans Affairs Commission” to the “Anne Arundel County Commission for Veterans and Military Families”; defining “military family”, “United States Armed Forces”, and “veteran”; modifying the purposes, composition, terms of the members, and powers and duties of the Commission; and generally relating to boards, commissions, and similar bodies.

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

and by Ms. Pickard, Ms. Fiedler, Mr. Smith, Ms. Hummer

BILL NO. 98-25 (Amendment(s) Proposed) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Traffic – Zoning – Signs – FOR the purpose of authorizing the Director of the Department of Public Works to place certain permanent directional signs in a County right-of-way under certain circumstances; repealing certain signage provisions; revising the definition of “sign”; defining certain types of signs and sign-related terms; setting forth the purpose and intent for the regulation of signs; adding a grandfathering provision applicable to certain applications for signs; allowing signs in existence as of a certain date to remain in place under certain circumstances; establishing criteria for the replacement or alteration of certain signs in existence as of a certain date; establishing general provisions related to signs; requiring the Planning and Zoning Officer to prepare illustrations and graphic representations to assist in the application of the subtitle; exempting certain signs from certain permit and other requirements; requiring permits for certain signs; prohibiting the placement of certain types of signs; establishing the criteria for location of signs; setting forth methods for measurement of sign area and height; establishing standards for certain permanent signs; establishing regulations for and prohibitions of certain signs in County and private rights-of-way; establishing time, place, and manner criteria for temporary signs on private property; setting forth the allowable types, size, and location of certain freestanding and building signs by zoning district or use of a property; allowing a developer of certain developments to submit a signage program for approval to the Office of Planning and Zoning; and generally relating to public works and zoning.

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

BILL NO. 99-25 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Subdivision and Development – Agricultural Land Preservation – Disclosure of Right to Farm – FOR the purpose of defining “agricultural operation”, “generally accepted agricultural management practices”, and “nuisance”; establishing a right to farm in Anne Arundel County; providing certain protections to agricultural operations from nuisance lawsuits under certain conditions; promoting and preserving farm lands and practices; providing notice regarding agricultural operations to purchasers of real property in an RA or RLD zoning district or within 500 feet of an agricultural operation; providing for civil penalties for violation of the notice provisions; establishing a complaint resolution process; and generally relating to subdivision and development.

Introduced by Ms. Leadbetter

BILL NO. 101-25 (Amendment(s) Proposed) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: General Provisions – Public Works – Landlord-Tenant Eviction – FOR the purpose of defining certain terms related to landlord-tenant eviction; providing for the purpose and applicability of the new title; establishing notice requirements for the eviction of tenants; providing for the storage and disposition of a tenant’s belongings upon eviction; establishing penalties for violating any provision of the new title; and generally relating to landlord-tenant evictions and public works.

Introduced by Ms. Hummer

RESOLUTION NO. 36-25 (Amendment Proposed) – RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Charter of Anne Arundel County to create an office, known as the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs, and an officer, known as the Multi-Cultural Affairs Officer, as part of the Executive Branch
Introduced by Mr. Smith

BILL NO. 100-25 (Amendment Proposed) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements – FOR the purpose of establishing requirements for the use of Project Labor Agreements on certain County-funded construction projects; promoting fair labor standards, local hiring, and workforce development opportunities for County residents; and generally relating to purchasing.
Introduced by Mr. Smith

L. Other Business

M. Adjournment

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