



COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

AGENDA

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 3
Monday, February 2, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.
County Council Chambers
44 Calvert Street
Annapolis, Maryland

- A. Call to Order
- B. Invocation (Smith)
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. AACPS State Awards Recognition
- E. Ethics Statement
- F. Invitation to Audience
- G. Announcement of Items Not Appearing on Agenda
- H. Preliminary Motion
- I. Approval of Minutes
January 20, 2026 – Legislative Day No. 2
- J. Introduction of Bills

BILL NO. 11-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Recreation and Parks – Article 14 Code Revision – FOR the purpose of modifying and adding certain definitions relating to recreation and parks; modifying the procedure for adoption of rules and regulations by the Department of Recreation and Parks; broadening the application of provisions of Article 14 to all County recreation and park areas; modifying provisions relating to integrated pest management plans for outdoor recreation and park areas based on changes to federal law; adding a provision allowing the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to allow certain prohibited conduct in recreation and parks areas under certain conditions; modifying and adding provisions relating to certain conduct in recreation and park areas; and generally relating to recreation and parks.

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

K. Introduction of Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 2-26 – RESOLUTION urging the County Executive to provide transparency and allow for more public input by releasing a preliminary FY27 budget no later than April 1, 2026

Introduced by Mr. Volke and Ms. Fiedler

RESOLUTION NO. 3-26 – RESOLUTION urging members of the General Assembly to oppose House Bill 488 Election Districts – General Assembly and Representatives in Congress

Introduced by Mr. Volke, Ms. Leadbetter, and Ms. Fiedler

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

BILL NO. 98-25 (As Amended) – 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; removing the fees associated with an application for an offsite directional sign; and generally relating to public works and zoning.

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

BILL NO. 101-25 (As Amended) – 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 and Ms. Rodvien

[BILL NO. 1-26](#) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: General Development Plan – Region 6 Plan – FOR the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 6 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 6, covering Crownsville and parts of Millersville, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 6; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 6 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 6 Plan”.

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

[BILL NO. 2-26](#) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 6 – FOR the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 6; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 6, covering Crownsville and parts of Millersville; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning.

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

[BILL NO. 3-26](#) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: General Development Plan – Region 8 Plan – FOR the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 8 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 8, covering Davidsonville, Harwood, Lothian, Owensville, Owings, Waysons Corner, and parts of Friendship and Edgewater, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 8; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 8 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 8 Plan”.

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

[BILL NO. 4-26](#) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 8 – FOR the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 8; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 8, covering Davidsonville, Harwood, Lothian, Owensville, Owings, Waysons Corner, and parts of Friendship and Edgewater; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning.

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

[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; allowing cottage home developments in certain commercial districts; allowing cottage

home developments in certain mixed use districts; and generally relating to subdivision and development and zoning.

Introduced by Mr. Smith

BILL NO. 100-25 (As Amended)(Amendment(s) 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

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

BILL NO. 5-26 (Amendment(s) Proposed) – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Moderately Priced Dwelling Units – Density Bonus – Moratorium – FOR the purpose of establishing a temporary moratorium on the requirement for Moderately Priced Dwelling Units and density bonuses for any new development within a certain area; and generally relating to zoning.

Introduced by Ms. Fiedler

BILL NO. 6-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Industrial Districts – Indoor Rifle, Pistol, Skeet, and Archery Ranges – FOR the purpose of allowing an indoor rifle, pistol, skeet, or archery range as a special exception use in W1, W2, and W3 industrial districts; and generally relating to zoning.

Introduced by Mr. Volke

M. Other Business

N. Adjournment

ACCESSIBILITY POLICY

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**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR**

To: Councilmembers, Anne Arundel County Council
From: Office of the County Auditor
Date: January 30, 2026
Subject: County Auditor’s Review of Legislation for the February 2, 2026 Council Meeting

Bill 98-25: Public Works – Traffic – Zoning – Signs

Summary of Legislation

This bill repeals and adds new language to Title 3 of Article 18 (Planning and Zoning) and amends Article 13 (Public Works) to comprehensively update the County’s regulations regarding permanent and temporary signs. The legislation aims to modernize the County Code to address new sign types, accommodate zoning changes, and ensure constitutionality following Supreme Court rulings that require content-neutral regulation of signage. Key provisions include revised definitions for different types of signs, new methods for measuring sign area, updated allowances for sign size and location, and specific regulations for temporary signs.

Review of Fiscal Impact

We concur with the Administration's fiscal note that this bill has no anticipated effect on the County’s operating budget.

This legislation was also included in the Auditor’s Review of Legislation for the January 20, 2026 Council Meeting.

Bill 1-26: General Development Plan – Region 6 Plan

and

Bill 2-26: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 6

Summary of Legislation

Bills 1-26 and 2-26 adopt the Region Plan and comprehensive zoning of Region Planning Area No. 6, covering Crownsville and portions of Millersville. Both bills require the Zoning Officer and County Council Administrative Officer to keep the adopted plan and digital zoning layer on file and authorize the Office of Planning and Zoning to amend text, maps, and related material to reflect Council amendments, correct obvious errors, and improve readability.

Review of Fiscal Impact

We agree with the Administration’s fiscal note that these bills have no direct fiscal impact, but that implementation of the Plan and development pursuant to zoning changes could affect future County revenues and expenditures.

**Bill 3-26: General
Development Plan –
Region 8 Plan**

and

**Bill 4-26:
Comprehensive
Zoning – Region 8**

Summary of Legislation

Bills 3-26 and 4-26 adopt the Region Plan and comprehensive zoning of Region Planning Area No. 8, covering all or portions of eight communities in the southern portion of the County. Both bills require the Zoning Officer and County Council Administrative Office to keep the adopted plan and digital zoning layer on file and authorize the Office of Planning and Zoning to amend text, maps, and related material to reflect Council amendments, correct obvious errors, and improve readability.

Review of Fiscal Impact

We agree with the Administration’s fiscal note that these bills have no direct fiscal impact, but that implementation of the Plan and development pursuant to zoning changes could affect future County revenues and expenditures.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
Minutes of
Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 2
January 20, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.

The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Hummer at 7:06 P.M. It was opened with the Invocation given by Ms. Leadbetter, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 100 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 Rodvien	Sixth District
Shannon Leadbetter	Seventh District

Meredith Beach, Legislative Counsel, was present. The County Auditor's Office was represented by Louis Duncan, Executive Manager.

ETHICS STATEMENT

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

CHAIR PRESENTATION

The Chair recognized Ms. Rodvien for her time as Chair in 2021 by presenting her with a plaque.

INVITATION TO AUDIENCE

The Chair opened Invitation to Audience.

The Administrative Officer stated there were two submissions for Invitation to Audience 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 at Invitation to Audience:

Kyle Nembhard, Glen Burnie
Michael Lofton, on behalf of GAN

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

PRELIMINARY MOTION

On motion of Ms. Pickard, 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. Fiedler, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, the minutes for January 5, 2026, Legislative Day No. 1, and the closed session minutes for January 5, 2026 were approved.

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

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

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

BILL NO. 92-25 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 92-25, as amended, 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

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

The Administration supports.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 92-25, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were six submissions for Bill No. 92-25, 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 No. 92-25, as amended:

Michael Lofton, on behalf of GAN
Steven Waddy, on behalf of NAACP
Max Gross, on behalf of AAC Association of Realtors
Tim Stern, Crownsville

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 92-25, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No. 3

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment allows cottage home developments as a special exception in a W1 zoning district.

There was discussion on the amendment.

Mr. Smith withdrew the amendment.

Amendment No. 4

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment allows cottage home developments in certain commercial and mixed use zoning districts.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

Mr. Volke asked clarifying questions.

Ms. Miller answered.

There was further discussion of the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Hummer, Amendment No. 4 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Mr. Smith, Ms. Pickard, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Hummer

Nay – Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler

The Chair stated that Bill No. 92-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on February 2, 2026.

BILL NO. 97-25

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Ron Borro, Vice Chair of Veteran’s Affairs Commission, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

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

Mr. Borro spoke on the bill.

Ms. Leadbetter stated her husband is a veteran.

Ms. Fiedler asked about the composition.

Mr. Borro answered.

Ms. Rodvien and Ms. Hummer stated their spouses are veterans.

Mr. Smith stated he is an active-duty military officer.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 97-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were three submissions for Bill No. 97-25 of written testimony received through the online testimony tool, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 97-25:

Debra Luzietti-Myers, Odenton

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 97-25, An Ordinance concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Veterans Affairs Commission; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 97-25 was passed by the following roll call:

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

Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

BILL NO. 98-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 98-25, 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

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

Ms. Miller spoke on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 98-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 98-25.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 98-25:

Michael Lofton, on behalf of GAN
Efe Brock, Annapolis
Kinley Bray, on behalf of NAIOP Maryland
Paul Higgins, Pasadena

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 98-25, An Ordinance concerning: Public Works – Traffic – Zoning – Signs; 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 allows signs that have been in the same location for at least 20 years to remain in place or be replaced in-kind.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked about a previous bill.

Ms. Miller answered.

There was further discussion of the amendment.

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

Aye – Ms. Pickard, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Hummer

Nay – Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment removes the fees associated with an application for an offsite directional sign.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked about remaining fees.

Ms. Miller answered.

Mr. Volke asked clarifying questions.

Ms. Miller responded.

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

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 98-25 will be heard at the next Council Meeting on February 2, 2026.

BILL NO. 99-25

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied Lynn Miller, Assistant Planning and Zoning Officer, Anna Chaney, Chair of the Agriculture Commission, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Mr. Volke asked about notice.

Ms. Leadbetter answered.

Ms. Hummer gave an example.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 99-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 99-25.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 99-25:

Anna Chaney, Lothian
Max Gross, on behalf of AACAR
Brian Hewitt, Crownsville

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 99-25, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Agricultural Land Preservation – Disclosure of Right to Farm; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 99-25 was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

Abstain – Mr. Volke

BILL NO. 101-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 101-25, 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Erin Karpewicz, CEO, ACDS, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Ms. Rodvien asked to be added as a sponsor.

Ms. Leadbetter and Ms. Rodvien disclosed they are not a landlord anymore.

Mr. Volke disclosed he is a landlord.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 101-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there was one submission for Bill No. 101-25 of written testimony received through the online testimony tool, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 101-25:

Jay McCleave, on behalf of Fraternal Order of Police

Matthew Pipkin, on behalf of Maryland Multi-Housing Association

Jim Johnson, on behalf of Hendersen Webb

Steven Waddy, on behalf of NAACP

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 101-25, An Ordinance concerning: General Provisions – Public Works – Landlord-Tenant Eviction; 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 changes the notice of eviction to 14 days, removes the reclamation period, and prohibits the landlord from disposing of the personal property for 24 hours.

Ms. Hummer explained the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked for clarification on the process.

Ms. Hummer answered.

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

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

Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment removes the duplicative requirement that Department of Social Services be contacted under certain circumstances.

Ms. Hummer explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 101-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on February 2, 2026.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 36-25

The Chair called for Resolution No. 36-25, A 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; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Mr. Smith explained the resolution.

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Kelly Kenney Supervising County Attorney.

The Administration supports.

The Chair stated the public hearing was kept open at the last meeting for Resolution No. 36-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were twenty-nine submissions for Resolution No. 36-25 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 Resolution No. 36-25:

Salvador Vega, Glen Burnie
Pablo Blank, on behalf of CASA, Inc.
Rossio Smith, Glen Burnie
Paul Higgins, Pasadena
Steven Waddy, Severn

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 36-25, A 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; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment amends the duties of the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Nay – None

Mr. Volke asked about the location in the Charter.

Mr. Smith answered.

There was further discussion of the resolution.

Resolution No. 36-25, as amended, was defeated by the following roll call:

Aye – Mr. Smith, Ms. Pickard, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Hummer

Nay – Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Volke

Abstain – Ms. Fiedler

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

BILL NO. 100-25

The Chair called for Bill No. 100-25, 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Relations, was accompanied by Susan Herrold, Central Service Officer, Catrice Parsons, Purchasing Agent, Central Services, Beth O’Connell, Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works, Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, and Kelly Kenney, Supervising County Attorney.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 100-25.

The Administrative Officer stated there were twenty-one submissions for Bill No. 100-25 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 No. 100-25:

Andrew Griffin, on behalf of Utility Contractors Association
Jon McLaughlin, on behalf of IBEW Local 24
Roxie Mejia, on behalf of IUPAT District Council 51
Greg Akerman, on behalf of Baltimore-DC Building Trade
Joe Parker, on behalf of Heritage Mechanical
Kody VanFleet, Orchard Beach
Barrett Tucker, Chester
Todd Taylor, Pasadena
Kenneth Wade, Crofton
Michael Mason, on behalf of American Council of Engineers
Jeff Ferguson, Harwood
Harry Homes, JR, on behalf of IEC
Thomas Coale, on behalf of Calvert Utilities LLC
Kevin O'Keeffe, on behalf of Independent Electrical Contractors
Concepcion Morales, on behalf of Eastern Atlantic Regional
AJ Odell, Owings Mills
Chris Gravey, on behalf of ABC Chesapeake Shores
Doug Portner, on behalf of Harbor Roofing and Contracting
Casey Weisman, on behalf of Weisman Electric Company

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 100-25, An Ordinance concerning: Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements; 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 increases the cost of a County construction project subject to this section and eliminates the mandatory directive.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked for clarification of the amendment.

Mr. Smith answered.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

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

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 100-25, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on February 2, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, the meeting adjourned at 10:32 P.M by the following roll call vote:

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

Respectfully submitted,

By Anna Macaulay

For Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer

PROPOSED

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 3

Bill No. 11-26

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

By the County Council, February 2, 2026

Introduced and first read on February 2, 2026
Public Hearing set for March 2, 2026
Bill Expires May 8, 2026

By Order: Kaley Schultze, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Recreation and Parks – Article 14 Code Revision

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3 FOR the purpose of modifying and adding certain definitions relating to recreation and
4 parks; modifying the procedure for adoption of rules and regulations by the Department
5 of Recreation and Parks; broadening the application of provisions of Article 14 to all
6 County recreation and park areas; modifying provisions relating to integrated pest
7 management plans for outdoor recreation and park areas based on changes to federal
8 law; adding a provision allowing the Director of the Department of Recreation and
9 Parks to allow certain prohibited conduct in recreation and parks areas under certain
10 conditions; modifying and adding provisions relating to certain conduct in recreation
11 and park areas; and generally relating to recreation and parks.

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13 BY adding: §§ 14-1-106; and 14-2-120 through 14-2-122

14 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: §§ 14-1-101; 14-1-102; 14-1-104;
17 14-1-105; 14-2-101 through 14-2-119; and 14-3-101

18 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

19
20 SECTION 1. *And be it further enacted*, That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County
21 Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:

ARTICLE 14. RECREATION AND PARKS

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law and taglines.
[[Brackets]] indicate matter deleted from existing law and taglines.
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.
Asterisks *** indicate existing Code provisions in a list or chart that remain unchanged.

TITLE 1. IN GENERAL

14-1-101. Definitions.

In this article, the following words have the meanings indicated.

[[(1)]] “Bicycle” [[means a bicycle as defined in the Transportation Article,]] HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 11-104[[,]] OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE of the State Code.

[[(2)]] “Department” means the Department of Recreation and Parks.

[[(3)]] “Director” means the Director of Recreation and Parks or the Director's designee.

“ELECTRIC BICYCLE” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN TITLE 11 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE.

“ELECTRIC LOW SPEED SCOOTER” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN TITLE 11 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE.

“LOW SPEED VEHICLE” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN TITLE 11 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE.

“MOPED” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN TITLE 11 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE.

“MOTORIZED MINIBIKE” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN TITLE 11 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE.

“MOTOR SCOOTER” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN TITLE 11 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE.

[[(4)]] “Park” means [[a park, reservation, playground, recreation center, or other lot in the County owned, operated, or established by the County and devoted to recreation or a similar purpose]] AN AREA DESIGNATED AND IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY AS A PARK.

[[(5)]] “Play vehicle” [[means a play vehicle as defined in the Transportation Article,]] HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 21-101[[,]] OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE of the State Code.

“RECREATION AND PARK AREA” MEANS A PARK, NATURAL AREA, RECREATION FACILITY, ATHLETIC FACILITY, OR OTHER LOCATION OR FACILITY OWNED, LEASED, MANAGED, OPERATED, OR UTILIZED BY THE COUNTY FOR ATHLETICS, RECREATION, OR A SIMILAR PURPOSE.

14-1-102. Rules and regulations.

(a) **Adoption.** To provide for the safe and enjoyable use by citizens of parks and OTHER recreation AND PARK areas [[owned or leased by the County or operated in a degree by the Department]] and to provide for safe and enjoyable participation in athletic and OTHER recreational activities PROVIDED OR supervised by the Department, the Director may adopt rules and regulations on the following subjects:

1 (1) use by the public of [[County-owned or leased]] parks and OTHER recreation
2 AND PARK areas;

3
4 (2) public participation IN, PUBLIC ACCESS TO, player conduct IN, eligibility FOR,
5 and the playing of organized athletics [[under the Department's jurisdiction]] AND OTHER
6 RECREATION ACTIVITIES PROVIDED OR MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT; and

7
8 (3) other [[subjects]] MATTERS that will permit the efficient implementation,
9 administration, and operation of [[athletic programs and recreational uses]] PARKS, OTHER
10 RECREATION AND PARK AREAS, ATHLETICS, AND OTHER RECREATION ACTIVITIES.

11
12 (b) **Submission of proposed rule or regulation.** Before the adoption of a rule or
13 regulation, the Director shall submit the proposed rule or regulation to the Recreation
14 Advisory Board for review. After review, the Board shall advise the Director of its
15 recommendations with respect to the rule or regulation. THE DIRECTOR MAY ACCEPT OR
16 REJECT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.

17
18 (c) **Publication.** Except as provided in subsection (d), after adoption of a rule or
19 regulation [[that applies to each park in the County]] but before the rule or regulation
20 becomes effective, the Director shall cause a copy of the rule or regulation to be published
21 [[in a newspaper of general circulation in the County at least once a week for two
22 consecutive weeks, shall send copies of the rule or regulation]] ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE
23 AND TO BE SENT to the Police [[Department]] CHIEF and the Chief Clerk of the District
24 Court for Anne Arundel County[[, and whenever possible shall give other publicity to the
25 rule, regulation, order, or directive to bring it to the attention of the public]].

26
27 (d) **Immediate effective dates.** On a determination of immediate need, the Director
28 may adopt rules and regulations that will become effective immediately.

29
30 (e) **Public records.** The Director shall keep a record of the ADOPTED rules[[,]] AND
31 regulations[[, orders, and directives issued]], and the record shall be open to public
32 inspection at reasonable times. A copy of rules and regulations shall be made available to
33 the public on request, SHALL BE PUBLISHED ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE, and, WHEN
34 PRACTICABLE, be conspicuously posted in each [[park whenever practical]] RECREATION
35 AND PARK AREA.

36
37 (f) **Violation of rules or regulations.** EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 14-1-106, [[A]] A
38 person may not violate a rule or regulation adopted by the Director in accordance with this
39 section.

40
41 **14-1-103. PARK [[Operating]] OPERATING hours.**

42
43 (a) **Generally.** Parks generally shall be open to the public between sunrise and sunset
44 of each day unless different hours are established by the Director and the hours are posted
45 at the affected parks.

1 **(b) Closing parks to the public.** A park or section of a park may be declared closed to
2 the public by the Director whenever the Director determines that the closing is necessary
3 because of park conditions, weather, or for another reason that is in the public interest.

4
5 **(c) Trespass in closed parks.** A person other than an authorized County employee may
6 not be in a park or a section of a park while it is closed to the public.

7
8 **14-1-104. Fees.**

9
10 With the advice of the Recreation Advisory Board, the Director may establish fees for
11 participation in recreation programs AND ACCESS TO RECREATION AND PARK AREAS.

12
13 **14-1-105. Integrated Pest Management Plan.**

14
15 **(a) Definition.** For purposes of this section, “least toxic pesticide” means a substance
16 not listed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a pesticide in Toxicity
17 Category I or II, a carcinogen, or an inert ingredient ~~[[of toxicological concern]]~~ ABOVE
18 TOLERANCES ESTABLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
19 AGENCY.

20
21 **(b) Plan required.** An Integrated Pest Management Plan that meets or exceeds the
22 standards required for school playgrounds and athletic fields under the Agriculture Article
23 of the State Code and provides for the use of only the least toxic pesticides available is
24 required for all ~~[[County]]~~ OUTDOOR RECREATION AND PARK AREAS, INCLUDING parks
25 and athletic fields.

26
27 **(c) Notice of plan.** The Department shall:

28
29 (1) post a copy of the Department’s Integrated Pest Management Plan and any
30 proposed updates to the Plan on the County website; and

31
32 (2) post a notice of the Plan at each ~~[[County park and athletic facility]]~~ OUTDOOR
33 RECREATION AND PARK AREA that shall include:

34
35 (i) a statement that explains the Integrated Pest Management Plan and lists any
36 pesticide that may be used as part of the Plan;

37
38 (ii) the street address, website address, and telephone number for the
39 Department for questions regarding the Integrated Pest Management Plan; and

40
41 (iii) a statement that the Department maintains the product label or material
42 safety data sheet of each pesticide used by the Department, that the label or data sheet is
43 available for review, and that the Department may be contacted for additional information
44 and comment.

45
46 **(d) Notification prior to application.** At least 24 hours before a pesticide is applied at
47 ~~[[a park or athletic facility]]~~ AN OUTDOOR RECREATION AND PARK AREA, the Department
48 shall post a notice at the ~~[[park]]~~ AREA at which the pesticide is to be applied. The notice
49 shall include:

- 1 (1) the common name of the pesticide;
- 2
- 3 (2) the location of the application;
- 4
- 5 (3) the planned date and time of application;
- 6
- 7 (4) any United States Environmental Protection Agency warning regarding
- 8 exposure to the pesticide to be applied;
- 9
- 10 (5) a brief description of potential adverse effects based upon the material safety
- 11 data sheet of the pesticide to be applied; and
- 12
- 13 (6) a notice that weather conditions or other circumstances may cause the actual
- 14 date of application to be postponed to a later date or dates, for which notice will be provided
- 15 if the date is more than 14 days after the planned application date.
- 16

17 (e) **Emergency pest control.** WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR, **[[A]]** A
18 pesticide may be applied without prior notification **[[only]]** if an emergency pest situation
19 exists. Within 24 hours after an emergency pesticide application, the Department shall post
20 **[[at the park]]** a notice AT THE RECREATION AND PARK AREA that a pesticide was applied
21 for emergency pest control. The notice shall include:

- 22
- 23 (1) the common name of the pesticide applied;
- 24
- 25 (2) the approximate location of the application;
- 26
- 27 (3) the date of application; and
- 28
- 29 (4) the reason for the emergency application.
- 30

31 **14-1-106. DIRECTOR DISCRETION.**

32
33 THE DIRECTOR MAY GRANT WRITTEN PERMISSION TO UNDERTAKE CONDUCT
34 PROHIBITED IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OR IN TITLE 2 OF THIS ARTICLE IF THE
35 DIRECTOR DETERMINES, IN THEIR SOLE DISCRETION, THAT THE CONDUCT WILL NOT
36 INTERFERE WITH SAFE ENJOYMENT OF THE RECREATION AND PARK AREA OR PROGRAM.

37 38 **TITLE 2. PROHIBITED CONDUCT IN RECREATION AND **[[PARKS]]** PARK AREAS**

39 40 **14-2-101. Alcoholic beverages.**

41
42 A person may not drink or possess alcoholic beverages in a RECREATION AND park
43 AREA **[[unless as part of a group having permission for exclusive use of the park]]**.

44 45 **14-2-102. Camping.**

46
47 (a) **Permit.** A person may **[[not]]** ONLY camp **[[in a park]]** AT A RECREATION AND
48 PARK AREA in **[[other than]]** a designated area and **[[without a permit issued by the**
49 **Director]]** WITH AN APPROVED RESERVATION.

1 (b) **Sanitation.** Campers shall keep camping areas clean. Garbage, refuse, and rubbish
2 shall be placed in receptacles provided for that purpose. IF RECEPTACLES ARE NOT
3 PROVIDED, CAMPERS SHALL REMOVE ALL TRASH FROM THE CAMPSITES AND FROM THE
4 RECREATION AND PARK AREA.

5
6 (c) **Installation of permanent facilities prohibited.** A person may not install
7 permanent camping facilities or dig or level the ground at a campsite **[[in]]** AT A
8 RECREATION AND park AREA.

9
10 **14-2-103. Deprivation of use and enjoyment.**

11
12 A person may not deprive others of reasonable use and enjoyment of a RECREATION
13 AND park AREA by **[[indulging]]** ENGAGING in LOUD, riotous, boisterous, threatening, or
14 indecent conduct or abusive, threatening, profane, or indecent language.

15
16 **14-2-104. Destruction of property.**

17
18 (a) **Applicability.** This **[[subsection]]** SECTION does not apply to construction projects,
19 APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS, or maintenance performed on RECREATION AND park
20 AREAS **[[land or structures]]**.

21
22 (b) **Prohibitions.** A person may not:

23
24 (1) tamper with, mar, deface, remove, or destroy an official sign IN OR ON A
25 RECREATION AND PARK AREA;

26
27 (2) damage, use without authority, or remove an installation, fixture, equipment, or
28 vehicle in or from **[[the]]** A RECREATION AND park AREA;

29
30 (3) cut, pull up, burn, carve, or in any manner mutilate, misuse, or damage any tree,
31 shrub, plant, grass, **[[or]]** flower, OR OTHER FOLIAGE IN OR on A RECREATION AND park
32 **[[grounds]]** AREA; or

33
34 (4) intentionally destroy, injure, deface, remove, or disturb soil, rocks, or mineral
35 formations AT A RECREATION AND PARK AREA unless incidental to a permitted activity.

36
37 **14-2-105. Fires.**

38
39 (a) **Prohibitions.** A person may not:

40
41 (1) build a fire in a RECREATION AND park AREA except in a fireplace or other
42 facility constructed for a fire; or

43
44 (2) use a charcoal OR OTHER grill **[[or a gasoline or gas stove without written**
45 **permission from of the Director]]** OUTSIDE OF DESIGNATED GRILLING AREAS IN A
46 RECREATION AND PARK AREA.

47
48 (b) **Additional regulations relating to fire hazards.** Smoking, VAPING, GRILLING, or
49 the building of fires PERMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) may be prohibited in **[[parks]]**

1 RECREATION AND PARK AREAS or limited by the Director [[whenever, in the Director's
2 judgment, a potential fire hazard exists]].

3
4 (c) **Liability for damages.** A person who [[builds a fire in a park except in a fireplace
5 or other facility constructed for a fire]] ENGAGES IN CONDUCT THAT RESULTS IN DAMAGE
6 FROM FIRE OR BURNING is responsible for damage and expense caused by [[carelessness]]
7 THE FIRE OR BURNING.

8
9 **14-2-106. Fireworks, firearms, explosives.**

10
11 A person may not POSSESS OR discharge fireworks, firearms, or explosives in a
12 RECREATION AND park AREA [[without written permission from the Director and the other
13 necessary permits]].

14
15 **14-2-107. Horses.**

16
17 A person may not ride, walk, or otherwise have a horse [[on park grounds]] IN A
18 RECREATION AND PARK AREA except on bridle [[paths]] TRAILS AND OTHER AREAS
19 designated for that purpose by the [[Director]] DEPARTMENT.

20
21 **14-2-108. Litter AND DUMPING.**

22
23 (A) **PROHIBITIONS.** A person may not:

24
25 (1) dump refuse, garbage, or rubbish anywhere [[on park grounds]] IN A
26 RECREATION AND PARK AREA, except in designated receptacles[[, or]];
27

28 (2) bring garbage, refuse, or rubbish into a RECREATION AND park AREA and deposit
29 it in RECREATION AND park AREA trash receptacles;

30
31 (3) DISPLAY, OPEN, THROW, OR DISCHARGE ITEMS THAT CONTAIN CONFETTI,
32 GLITTER, HELIUM, MYLAR, OR AEROSOL PROPELLED LIQUID PLASTIC IN A RECREATION
33 AND PARK AREA;

34
35 (4) KNOWINGLY AND INTENTIONALLY RELEASE OR CAUSE A BALLOON TO BE
36 RELEASED INTO THE ATMOSPHERE FROM A RECREATION AND PARK AREA; OR

37
38 (5) DUMP LANDSCAPING DEBRIS OR LAND CLEARING WASTE AT A RECREATION
39 AND PARK AREA.

40
41 (B) **LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES.** IN ADDITION TO ANY PENALTY UNDER THIS ARTICLE,
42 A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (A) IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COST OF REMOVAL
43 AND ANY DAMAGES CAUSED BY THEIR ACTIONS.

44
45 **14-2-109. Meetings AND GATHERINGS.**

46
47 (a) **Restriction.** A person may not hold a meeting OR GATHERING in a RECREATION
48 AND park AREA if the meeting OR GATHERING will deprive the public of the reasonable use
49 and enjoyment of the RECREATION AND park AREA or interfere with the public's right of
50 free AND SAFE passage [[in]] INTO, OUT OF, OR THROUGH the RECREATION AND park AREA.

1 (b) **[[Written permission]] PERMIT required.** **[[A]]** EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN TITLE
2 11 OF ARTICLE 11 OF THIS CODE, A person may not hold **[[an organized]]** A MEETING OR
3 gathering of **[[40]]** 20 or more individuals in a RECREATION AND park AREA without
4 **[[written permission from the Director]]** A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
5

6 **14-2-110. Model airplanes, rockets, and the like.**

7
8 A person may not launch or fly a power model airplane, rocket, DRONE, or **[[similar]]**
9 OTHER REMOTE CONTROLLED AERIAL device from a RECREATION AND park area without
10 **[[written permission from the Director]]** A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
11

12 **14-2-111. Picnics.**

13
14 A person may not picnic **[[in a park]]** AT A RECREATION AND PARK AREA in other than
15 a designated area **[[without written permission from the Director]]**.
16

17 **14-2-112. Profit-making activities.**

18
19 (A) **APPLICABILITY.** THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO EVENTS SPONSORED OR
20 CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR EVENTS WITH A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE
21 DEPARTMENT OR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS.
22

23 (B) **PROHIBITIONS.** A person may not:

24
25 (1) utilize a tennis court, PICKLEBALL COURT, basketball court, athletic field, or
26 other activity area in a RECREATION AND park AREA for conducting private **[[instruction]]**
27 INSTRUCTIONS, **[[or]]** lessons, OR OTHER BUSINESS for which a fee is charged **[[unless the**
28 program is conducted or sponsored by the Department]]];
29

30 (2) UTILIZE A TRAIL, FIELD, FOREST, BEACH, POND, LAKE, WETLAND, OR OTHER
31 NATURAL AREA IN A RECREATION AND PARK AREA TO PROVIDE PRIVATE INSTRUCTIONS,
32 LESSONS, OR OTHER BUSINESS FOR WHICH A FEE IS CHARGED;
33

34 (3) UTILIZE DEPARTMENT BUILDINGS, PLAYGROUNDS, BOATING FACILITIES, OR
35 OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE AT A RECREATION AND PARK AREA TO PROVIDE PRIVATE
36 INSTRUCTIONS, LESSONS, OR OTHER BUSINESS FOR WHICH A FEE IS CHARGED; OR
37

38 (4) FUNDRAISE AT A RECREATION AND PARK AREA.
39

40 **14-2-113. Selling.**

41
42 A person may not sell anything in a RECREATION AND park AREA **[[without written**
43 permission from the Director]].
44

45 **14-2-114. Sound amplification equipment.**

46
47 A person may not use sound amplification equipment in a RECREATION AND park AREA
48 **[[without written permission from the Director]]**.
49

50 **14-2-115. Traffic.**

1 (a) **Speed limit.** A person may not operate a motor vehicle, bicycle, ELECTRIC
2 BICYCLE, ELECTRIC LOW SPEED SCOOTER, LOW SPEED VEHICLE, MOPED, MOTOR
3 SCOOTER, MOTORIZED minibike, play vehicle, or unicycle in a RECREATION AND park
4 AREA at a speed in excess of 10 miles per hour unless permitted by A SPEED LIMIT posted
5 ~~[[official notice]]~~ BY THE DIRECTOR. The Director shall conspicuously post speed limits in
6 all parks.

7
8 (b) **Trucks and commercial vehicles.** A person may not operate a truck or commercial
9 vehicle, other than one owned or operated by the County or used by a person, team, or
10 organization to transport persons participating in athletic or recreational activities, in a
11 RECREATION AND park AREA~~[[, on park premises without written permission from the~~
12 ~~Director]]~~.

13
14 (c) **Operation and obstructions generally.** A person may not obstruct a RECREATION
15 AND park AREA entrance with a motor vehicle, bicycle, ELECTRIC BICYCLE, ELECTRIC LOW
16 SPEED SCOOTER, LOW SPEED VEHICLE, MOPED, MOTOR SCOOTER, MOTORIZED minibike,
17 play vehicle, or unicycle. A person may not operate or stop a motor vehicle, ~~[[bicycle,]]~~
18 LOW SPEED VEHICLE, MOPED, MOTOR SCOOTER, OR MOTORIZED minibike, ~~[[play vehicle,~~
19 ~~or unicycle]]~~ in a RECREATION AND park area except on a paved road~~[[, without written~~
20 ~~permission from the Director]]~~. A PERSON MAY NOT OPERATE OR STOP A BICYCLE,
21 ELECTRIC BICYCLE, ELECTRIC LOW SPEED SCOOTER, PLAY VEHICLE, OR UNICYCLE IN A
22 RECREATION AND PARK AREA EXCEPT ON PAVED ROADS, PAVED TRAILS, OR UNPAVED
23 SURFACES DESIGNATED FOR SUCH.

24
25 (d) **Overnight parking.** A person may not park a motor vehicle in a RECREATION AND
26 park AREA overnight. This subsection does not apply to County-owned, County-operated,
27 ~~[[or]]~~ official, OR AUTHORIZED vehicles.

28
29 (e) **Designated parking.** A person shall park a motor vehicle in a RECREATION AND
30 park AREA only in designated parking areas.

31 32 **14-2-116. Vehicle repairs.**

33
34 Except in an emergency, a person may not lubricate, repair, or perform mechanical
35 work on a vehicle in a RECREATION AND park AREA.

36 37 **14-2-117. Wild animals; wildlife management agreement.**

38
39 A person may not capture, confine, injure, destroy, FEED, BAIT, RELEASE, or interfere
40 with a wild animal in a RECREATION AND park AREA, except ~~[[with permission granted by~~
41 ~~the Director,]]~~ pursuant to a wildlife management agreement.

42 43 **14-2-118. Animals in parks.**

44
45 (a) **Definitions.** In this section, “at large”, “animal”, “owner”, and “public nuisance”
46 have the meanings stated in § 12-4-101 of this Code.

47
48 (b) **Public nuisance.** The owner of an animal may not permit the animal to be a public
49 nuisance in a RECREATION AND park AREA.

1 (c) **Running at large.** The owner of an animal may not permit the animal to be at large
2 in a RECREATION AND park AREA.

3
4 (d) **Removal of animal excreta.** The owner of an animal shall remove excreta
5 deposited in a RECREATION AND park AREA by the animal.

6
7 (E) **ABANDONMENT.** A PERSON MAY NOT RELEASE OR ABANDON ANY ANIMAL IN A
8 RECREATION AND PARK AREA.

9
10 **14-2-119. Boat ramps in parks.**

11
12 A person may not use a boat ramp in a RECREATION AND park AREA without valid
13 authorization issued by the Department.

14
15 **14-2-120. SHORELINE STRUCTURES IN PARKS.**

16
17 (A) **APPLICABILITY.** THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS,
18 MAINTENANCE, OR APPROVED RESEARCH PROJECTS PERFORMED ON OR AROUND
19 RECREATION AND PARK AREA SHORELINE STRUCTURES.

20
21 (B) **PROHIBITIONS.** A PERSON MAY NOT:

22
23 (1) MOOR OR TIE OFF A BOAT OR OTHER WATERCRAFT AT COUNTY-OWNED OR
24 OPERATED WHARVES, DOCKS, OR QUAYS FOR MORE THAN FOUR HOURS OUT OF ANY 24-
25 HOUR PERIOD;

26
27 (2) MOOR OR TIE OFF A BOAT OR OTHER WATERCRAFT AT A RECREATION AND
28 PARK AREA;

29
30 (3) MOOR OR TIE OFF A BOAT OR OTHER WATERCRAFT TO OTHER COUNTY-OWNED
31 OR OPERATED PROPERTY, INCLUDING JETTIES, BREAKWATERS, SEAWALLS, FISHING
32 PIERS, OR ANY OTHER PART OF THE PROPERTY THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY
33 AS A WHARF, DOCK, OR QUAY; OR

34
35 (4) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 14-2-119, LAUNCH OR LAND A MOTORIZED
36 WATERCRAFT AT A RECREATION AND PARK AREA.

37
38 **14-2-121. SWIMMING AND WADING.**

39
40 A PERSON MAY NOT ENTER A BODY OF WATER FROM A RECREATION AND PARK AREA
41 EXCEPT IN A SWIMMING AREA DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

42
43 **14-2-122. GOLFING.**

44
45 A PERSON MAY NOT PLAY OR PRACTICE GOLF AT A RECREATION AND PARK AREA
46 OTHER THAN ESTABLISHED GOLF COURSES, DRIVING RANGES, OR OTHER GOLF PRACTICE
47 AREAS DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

48
49 **TITLE 3. ENFORCEMENT**

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51 **14-3-101. Enforcement.**

52
53 (a) **Generally.** In addition to other enforcement measures allowed by this Code, the
54 Director, for a period of time determined by the Director, may declare a person who
55 violates any provision of this article to be ineligible to participate in County athletic

1 programs or may ban the violator from [[County owned, leased, or operated facilities]]
2 RECREATION AND PARK AREAS.

3
4 (b) **Order of Department.** A person shall follow a directive or order of an employee
5 of the Department to comply with the provisions of this Code in a RECREATION AND park
6 AREA.

7
8 (c) **Civil offenses.** It is a Class E civil offense to violate any provision of this article or
9 § 9-1-706 OF THIS CODE [[in]]AT a RECREATION AND park AREA.

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11 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
12 from the date it becomes law.

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
OFFICE OF THE BUDGET**

BILL NUMBER: 11-26

INTRO. DATE: Feb. 2, 2026

FISCAL NOTE

BILL:

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

This legislation amends Article 14 - Recreation and Parks to align to the County Code with current Maryland State law and modern recreational trends, and ensure consistent enforcement across all athletic fields, natural areas, and leased locations.

- The proposed definition of "Recreation & Park Area" covers all properties owned, leased, or operated by the County, closing previous gaps in enforcement boundaries.
- Proposed provisions explicitly address electric bicycles, scooters, and drones. All motorized recreational devices are now subject to a 10 mph speed limit within facilities.
- The bill codifies "Leave No Trace" standards to prohibit high-impact debris such as confetti, glitter, and helium balloons. It also introduces financial liability for individuals who cause environmental hazards through illegal dumping.
- The threshold for organized gathering permits would be lowered from 40 people to 20 people.
- Commercial activity, such as private lessons, fitness classes, and fundraising for profit, would be prohibited without a permit.
- Public notice of park rule changes will now be authorized on the County website rather than in local newspapers.

FISCAL IMPACT

Operating Budget – Personal Services: No anticipated effect. The proposed operational codifications are generally consistent with current operating practices.

Operating Budget – Other Operating Costs: No anticipated effect. The proposed operational codifications are generally consistent with current operating practices.

Capital Budget: No effect.

Revenues: No effect. No changes in park fees are proposed in conjunction with the bill.

Indirect and future fiscal effects: None.

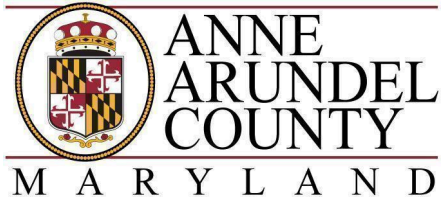


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Budget Officer

1/27/2026
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cc: Billie Penley, Controller



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ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY GOVERNMENT RELATIONS OFFICE

Legislative and Fiscal Summary of Administration Legislation

To: Members, Anne Arundel County Council
From: Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Affairs /s/
Date: February 2, 2026
Subject: Bill No. 11 -26 – Recreation and Parks – Article 14

This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Government Relations Office for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Bill No. 11-26.

Summary

This legislation, introduced at the request of the Administration on behalf of the Department of Recreation & Parks amends Article 14, which governs Recreation and Parks, to update the article to modernize county regulations by broadening the scope of oversight to all "Recreation & Park Areas" and aligning definitions with current State laws, particularly regarding electric bikes, scooters, and drones. The legislation introduces stricter environmental protections—prohibiting the release of balloons and the use of confetti or glitter—while also refining public safety rules for swimming, golfing, and shoreline mooring. Operational efficiency is improved through digital public notice requirements and updated permitting processes that lower the threshold for organized gatherings to 20 individuals. Furthermore, the updates clarify the Director's authority to manage commercial activity, establish facility access fees, and enforce "pack out" trash policies, ensuring that staff can manage and protect public lands more consistently. Legislation is necessary to effectuate these changes, as Article 14 currently governs Recreation & Parks policies and procedures. This update will not create any new direct or indirect costs. For a full detailed explanation of all changes made in this legislation, please see the summary that the Department of Recreation & Parks prepared.

Purpose

The purpose of this Bill is to amend and update Article 14, which governs Recreation and Parks, to modernize county regulations by broadening the scope of oversight to all "Recreation & Park Areas," aligning definitions with current State laws, adding environmental protections and refining public safety provisions.

Note: This Legislative and Fiscal Summary provides a synopsis of the legislation as introduced. It does not address subsequent amendments to the legislation.

Fiscal Impact

Please see the Fiscal Note that the Budget Office has prepared for an explanation of the fiscal impact of this legislation.

Additional Information

The Government Relations Office is available to answer any additional questions regarding this Bill. Specific questions should be directed to Lori Blair Klasmeier, Office of Law, or Chris Carroll or Jessica Leys, Department of Recreation & Parks. Thank you.

cc: Honorable Steuart Pittman, County Executive
Christine Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer
Jenny Proebstle, Chief of Staff
Gregory Swain, County Attorney
Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer
Jessica Leys, Director, Department of Recreation & Parks

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 3

Resolution No. 2-26

Introduced by Mr. Volke and Ms. Fiedler

By the County Council, February 2, 2026

1 RESOLUTION urging the County Executive to provide transparency and allow for
2 more public input by releasing a preliminary FY27 budget no later than April 1, 2026

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4 WHEREAS, following a \$3.3 billion budget deficit in FY26, Maryland is, again,
5 facing a budget deficit of over a \$1.5 billion in FY27, more than what was
6 previously communicated to State lawmakers; and

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8 WHEREAS, while State lawmakers grapple with the State's structural deficit, other
9 economic factors including the cost of inflation and increases to medical premiums
10 and energy bills are only exacerbating the cost of living and economic well-being
11 of Maryland residents; and

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13 WHEREAS, when compared to other Charter counties in the State, Anne Arundel
14 County is the only jurisdiction where the County Executive submits the budget to
15 the Council for review by May 1 or later, demonstrating that it is feasible to submit
16 a draft budget earlier to provide more time for public review and input; and

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18 WHEREAS, the only provision in the County Code or Charter directing the
19 submission of the budget to the Council by the County Executive is Section 706(b)
20 of the Charter which states "[N]ot later than 60 days prior to the end of the fiscal
21 year, the County Executive shall submit to the County Council the proposed County
22 budget for the ensuing fiscal year"; and

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24 WHEREAS, in these fiscally challenging times, it is vital for the County Executive
25 to share his priorities and plans to address the needs of our community as early as
26 possible, and provide insight into how the County will weather these fiscal
27 challenges; now, therefore, be it

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29 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,* That it urges the
30 County Executive to provide transparency and allow for more public input into the
31 County's FY27 budget by releasing a preliminary FY27 budget indicating budget
32 priorities, and addressing demands on the County's budget from State funding and service
33 cuts; and be it further

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35 *Resolved,* That the County Council urges the County Executive to provide to the public
36 a preliminary FY27 budget no later than April 1, 2026; and be it further

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38 *Resolved,* That a copy of this Resolution be sent to County Executive Stuart Pittman.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 3

Resolution No. 3-26

Introduced by Mr. Volke, Ms. Leadbetter, and Ms. Fiedler

By the County Council, February 2, 2026

1 RESOLUTION urging members of the General Assembly to oppose House Bill 488
2 Election Districts – General Assembly and Representatives in Congress

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4 WHEREAS, House Bill 488, currently before the General Assembly, proposes to
5 redraw the State’s eight congressional districts for the 2026 election seven years
6 ahead of any legal requirement; and

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8 WHEREAS, the proposed new congressional map in House Bill 488 creates non-
9 contiguous districts that represent unequal population distribution in violation of
10 State and federal law; and

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12 WHEREAS, House Bill 488 further proposes an amendment to the State
13 Constitution that would allow the State to use these maps for 2028 and 2030; and

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15 WHEREAS, the Department of Legislative Services noted that the State and local
16 election boards will need additional financial resources to implement the
17 redistricting plan in House Bill 488 in a short amount of time, pushing the cost of
18 this proposal on to local jurisdictions; and

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20 WHEREAS, the passage of House Bill 488 would result in the long-term
21 disenfranchisement of Maryland residents for short-term political gains; now,
22 therefore, be it

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24 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, That it hereby*
25 *urges members of the General Assembly to oppose House Bill 488 Election Districts –*
26 *General Assembly and Representatives in Congress; and be it further*

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28 *Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Wes Moore; the Anne*
29 *Arundel County Senate Delegation to the General Assembly; and the Anne Arundel*
30 *County House Delegation to the Maryland General Assembly.*

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 92-25, AS AMENDED
(Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development)

February 2, 2026

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

Amendment No. 5

On page 4 of the amended bill, in line 13, strike “, EXCLUDING LOFT SPACE,”.

(This amendment removes the exclusion of loft space in the measurement of floor area of a “dwelling unit, cottage home”.)

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 92-25, AS AMENDED
(Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development)

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Hummer

Amendment No. 6

On page 6 of the amended bill, in line 42, strike “FIVE” and substitute “TWO”.

(This amendment decreases the minimum required site area in R1 and R2 to two acres.)

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 92-25, AS AMENDED
(Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development)

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Mr. Smith

Amendment No. 7

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 7, strike ““dwelling unit, cottage home”” and substitute “certain terms”.

On page 2, in line 1, strike “17-7-1304” and substitute “17-7-1303”; after line 36, insert:

“17-7-1301. DEFINITIONS.

IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(1) “AMI” MEANS THE MEDIAN INCOME ADJUSTED FOR HOUSEHOLD SIZE FOR ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, AS DEFINED AND PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

(2) “CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY” MEANS A CERTIFICATE PROVIDED TO AN ELIGIBLE PERSON THAT INDICATES THE PERSON MEETS THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF § 17-7-1303.

(3) “ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLD” MEANS A HOUSEHOLD WHOSE INCOME IS NO GREATER THAN 100% OF AMI QUALIFIES THE HOUSEHOLD TO PURCHASE A DWELLING UNIT IN A COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT.

(4) “HOUSEHOLD” MEANS THE INDIVIDUALS WHO INTEND TO LIVE TOGETHER IN A DWELLING UNIT THAT IS PART OF A COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT.”;

in line 37, strike “17-7-1301” and substitute “17-7-1302”; and in line 42, strike “17-7-1302” and substitute “17-7-1303”.

On page 3 in line 7, strike “DWELLINGS, COTTAGE HOMES” and substitute “DWELLING UNITS IN A COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT”; in line 10, after “(I)” insert “EACH DWELLING UNIT IN A COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT SHALL BE ENCUMBERED BY RECORDED DEED RESTRICTIONS THAT REQUIRE THAT”; in line 11, strike beginning with “FOR” through “DEVELOPMENT” line 19, inclusive; in line 21, strike “(III)” and substitute “(II)”; and in line 26, strike “(IV)” and substitute “(III)”.

On page 7, in line 4, strike “TINY HOME” and substitute “DWELLING UNIT IN A COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT”.

(This amendment establishing income requirements for the purchase and rental of dwelling units in cottage home developments, provides for the administration thereof, and makes technical corrections.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 92-25, AS AMENDED
(Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Mr. Smith

Amendment No. 8

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 11, after the semicolon, insert “allowing cottage home developments as a special use in certain industrial districts;”; in line 18, after “18-5-102;” insert “18-6-103;”.

On page 5, after line 23, insert:

“TITLE 6. INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS

18-6-103. Permitted, conditional, and special exception uses.

The permitted, conditional, and special exception uses allowed in each of the industrial districts are listed in the chart in this section using the following key: P = permitted use; C = conditional use; SE = special exception use; and A= auxiliary use to a business complex use. A blank means that the use is not allowed in the district. Except as provided otherwise in this article, uses and structures customarily accessory to permitted, conditional, and special exception uses also are allowed, except that outside storage as an accessory use in W1 is limited to 15% of the allowed lot coverage.

<u>Permitted, conditional, and special exception uses</u>	<u>W1</u>	<u>W2</u>	<u>W3</u>
<u>***</u>			
<u>Convenience stores, gift shops, and newsstands</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	
<u>COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT</u>	<u>P</u>		
<u>***”</u>			

On page 6, in line 43, after “ACRES” insert “AND IN A W1 DISTRICT THE MINIMUM SITE AREA SHALL BE THREE ACRES”.

On page 7, in line 11 strike “AND” and in the same line after “DISTRICT” insert “, AND 10 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE IN A W1 DISTRICT”.

(This amendment allows cottage home developments as a permitted special use in a W1 zoning district.)

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 92-25, AS AMENDED
(Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development)

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Mr. Smith

Amendment No. 9

On page 7 of the amended bill, in line 11, after “R10” insert “. C2 OR C3”.

(This amendment sets the density for cottage home developments in C2 or C3 commercial districts as 20 dwelling units per acre.)

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 92-25, AS AMENDED
(Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Cottage Home Development)

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Hummer

Amendment No. 10

On page 2 of the amended bill, after line 43, insert:

“(A) DEFINITION. IN THIS SECTION, “BMSA” MEANS THE BALTIMORE PRIMARY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA, AS DEFINED AND PUBLISHED ANNUALLY BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.”;

and in line 44, before “A”, insert “(B) GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPALS.”; and on page 3, strike lines 11 through 19 in their entirety, and substitute:

“WITH AN INCOME THAT DOES NOT EXCEED 100% OF THE MEDIAN INCOME ADJUSTED FOR HOUSEHOLD SIZE FOR THE BMSA.”; in line 21, strike “(III)” and substitute “(II)”; in line 26, strike “(IV)” and substitute “(III)”; and after line 31, insert:

“(5) ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OR ITS DESIGNEE SHALL PUBLISH, AT LEAST ANNUALLY, THE PRICE OF A DWELLING UNIT IN A COTTAGE HOME DEVELOPMENT AT A PRICE THAT MAY NOT EXCEED THE PRICE THAT A HOUSEHOLD EARNING 80% OF THE MEDIAN INCOME AS ADJUSTED FOR HOUSEHOLD SIZE FOR THE BMSA CAN AFFORD.”.

(This amendment changes the eligible household income limit from 80% to 100% of adjusted AMI and authorizes Anne Arundel County or its designee to set the prices of a cottage home dwelling unit based on a certain AMI standard.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreement)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Pickard

Amendment No. 2

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 3 after the first instance of “of”, insert “creating a policy for project labor agreements; defining certain terms relating to project labor agreements;”; and in line 5, after the semi-colon, insert “exempting certain types of projects; providing for a delayed effective date;”.

On page 2 of the amended bill, in line 3, after “(A)” insert:

“POLICY. THE POLICY OF THE COUNTY IS TO:

(1) PROMOTE EFFICIENT AND TIMELY EXECUTION OF COUNTY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BY REQUIRING PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS TO AVOID LABOR RELATED DISPUTES AND DISRUPTIONS;

(2) PROMOTE COORDINATION REGARDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT AMONG VARIOUS EMPLOYERS INVOLVED IN COUNTY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BY REQUIRING AGREED UPON RESOLUTION MECHANISMS; AND

(3) PROVIDE STRUCTURE AND STABILITY AMONG VARIOUS EMPLOYERS INVOLVED IN COUNTY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

(B)”;

after line 7, insert:

“(1) “ARCHITECTURE-ENGINEER SERVICES” MEANS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF AN ARCHITECTURAL OR ENGINEERING NATURE REQUIRING STATE LICENSING AND ASSOCIATED WITH RESEARCH, PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN.”;

in line 8, strike “(1)” and substitute “(2)”; in line 13, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3)”; strike lines 17 through 20 in their entirety, inclusive and substitute:

“(4) “PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT” MEANS ANY ROUTINE RESURFACING OR PAVEMENT REPAIR OF A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE FISCAL YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM.”;

in line 22 strike “(4)” and substitute “(5)”; in line 27 strike “(5)” and substitute “(6)”; in line 32, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”; in line 33, strike “MAY” and substitute “SHALL”;

strike beginning with “IF:” in line 37 through line 47 in their entirety, inclusive, and substitute “UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT AN EXCEPTION IS NEEDED BY PROVIDING A

SPECIFIC WRITTEN EXPLANATION THAT AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO THAT CONTRACT:

(1) USE OF A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WILL NOT ADVANCE THE COUNTY'S INTEREST IN PROMOTING LABOR-MANAGEMENT STABILITY, LOCAL WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION, AND ENSURING COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH, EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY, LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS, AND OTHER APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS. SUCH A FINDING SHALL BE BASED ON AT LEAST ONE THE FOLLOWING FACTORS:

(I) THE PROJECT IS OF SHORT DURATION AND LACKS OPERATIONAL COMPLEXITY;

(II) THE PROJECT WILL INVOLVE ONLY ONE CRAFT OR TRADE;

(III) THE PROJECT WILL INVOLVE SPECIALIZED CONSTRUCTION WORK THAT IS AVAILABLE FROM ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS OR SUBCONTRACTORS; OR

(IV) THE AGENCY'S NEED FOR THE PROJECT IS OF SUCH UNUSUAL AND COMPELLING URGENCY THAT A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WOULD BE IMPRACTICABLE; OR

(2) A FINDING THAT A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT ON THE PROJECT WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF POTENTIAL BIDDERS SO AS TO FRUSTRATE FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION BASED ON A DOCUMENTED INCLUSIVE MARKET ANALYSIS WITH PARTICIPATION BY CONTRACTORS, LABOR ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PUBLIC THAT INCLUDES:

(I) CURRENT AND PROACTIVE EXAMINATION OF THE MARKET CONDITIONS IN THE PROJECT AREA;

(II) REGIONAL AND LOCAL ENTITY INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING ON A PROJECT THAT REQUIRES A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT; AND

(III) THE AVAILABILITY OF UNIONIZED AND NON-UNIONIZED CONTRACTORS.”;

in line 49, strike “(C)” and substitute “(D)”; and in line 50, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”.

On page 3, strike lines 9 through 11 in their entirety, inclusive; in line 13, strike “(6)” and substitute “(5)”; in line 16, strike “AND”; in line 18, strike “(7)” and substitute “(6)”; in line 20, strike the period and substitute “;

(7) CONTAIN A PROVISION STATING THAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS OF A LABOR ORGANIZATION MAY BE REQUIRED ONLY IF, AND TO THE EXTENT, THE EMPLOYEE'S RIGHT TO THE BENEFITS DOES NOT REQUIRE MEMBERSHIP IN THE LABOR ORGANIZATION; AND

(8) CONTAIN A PROVISION STATING THE AGREEMENT DOES NOT APPLY TO ARCHITECTURE-ENGINEER SERVICES.”;

in line 22 strike “(D)” and substitute “(E)”; in the same line, after “PROJECTS” insert “AND PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECTS”; and in line 24, strike from “45” through “law” in line 25, in their entirety, inclusive, and substitute “on July 1, 2027”.

(Description on next page)

(This amendment provides for a policy regarding project labor agreements; adds definitions for “architecture-engineer services” and “pavement management projects”; provides for an exemption to project labor agreements for “architecture-engineer services”; removes the definition for “nonprofit organization”; requires project labor agreements for County construction projects unless the department determines that a project labor agreement will not advance the County’s interest or an inclusive market analysis demonstrates that a project labor agreement frustrate full and open competition; removes a redundant requirement for project labor agreements; exempts “pavement management projects”; and provides for a delayed effective date of July 1, 2027.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 3

On page 2 of the amended bill, in line 33, strike “MAY” and substitute “SHALL”.

(This amendment requires projects with an estimated cost of \$35,000,000 to have a project labor agreement.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 4

On page 2 of the amended bill, in line 32, before “ALL” insert “(1)”; in line 39 strike “(1)” and substitute “(1)”; in line 45, strike “(2)” and substitute “(II)” after line 48, insert:

“(2) A WAIVER FROM REQUIREMENT IN THIS SECTION MAY BE GRANTED NO LATER THAN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE SOLICITATION DATE ONLY IF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE PUBLISHES A REPORT AND SUBMITS SUCH REPORT TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL DOCUMENTING THE SPECIFIC FACTUAL BASIS FOR THE WAIVER, INCLUDING ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION RELIED UPON, WITH A FINDING THAT:

(I) AN EMERGENCY EXISTS SUCH THAT ANY DELAY ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTING A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT WOULD RESULT IN IMMEDIATE AND SUBSTANTIAL HARM TO PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC SAFETY, OR THE PROTECTION OF COUNTY PROPERTY, AND THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FINDS THAT SUCH HARM CANNOT BE AVOIDED THROUGH EXPEDITED NEGOTIATION OR AN ACCELERATED PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT PROCESS; OR

(II) A SPECIFIC AND IDENTIFIED CONFLICT WITH FEDERAL OR STATE LAW OR A BINDING COURT ORDER MAKES THE USE OF A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT UNLAWFUL FOR THE PARTICULAR PROCUREMENT.

(3) THE COUNTY MAY NOT DIVIDE, PHASE, SEGMENT, OR OTHERWISE STRUCTURE A PROJECT, SOLICITATION, OR CONTRACT FOR THE PURPOSE OR EFFECT OF AVOIDING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.”.

(This amendment provides for a waiver to the requirement of a project labor agreement if the County Executive determines an emergency exists, a project labor agreement for the project conflicts with federal or State law, or a market analysis indicates that 3 or fewer contractors would bid on the project, and requires the County Executive to publish and submit to the County Council a report of such waiver.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 5

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 3 after the first instance of “of”, insert “defining certain terms relating to project labor agreements;”.

On page 2, after line 7, insert:

“(1) “ARCHITECTURE-ENGINEER SERVICES” MEANS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF AN ARCHITECTURAL OR ENGINEERING NATURE REQUIRING STATE LICENSING AND ASSOCIATED WITH RESEARCH, PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN.”;

in line 8, strike “(1)” and substitute “(2)”; in line 13, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3)”; in line 22, strike “(4)” and substitute “(5)”; and in line 27, strike “(5)” and substitute “(6)”.

On page 3 of the amended bill, in line 16, strike “AND”; and in line 20, strike the period and substitute “;

(8) CONTAIN A PROVISION STATING THAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS OF A LABOR ORGANIZATION MAY BE REQUIRED ONLY IF, AND TO THE EXTENT, THE EMPLOYEE’S RIGHT TO THE BENEFITS DOES NOT REQUIRE MEMBERSHIP IN THE LABOR ORGANIZATION; AND

(9) CONTAIN A PROVISION STATING THE AGREEMENT DOES NOT APPLY TO ARCHITECTURE-ENGINEER SERVICES.”.

(This amendment adds a definition for “architecture-engineer services” and requires the project labor agreement address employee benefit funds and exempts architecture-engineer services.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 6

On page 3 of the amended bill, strike lines 9 through 11 in their entirety; in line 13, strike “(6)” and substitute “(5)”; and in line 18, strike “(7)” and substitute “(6)”.

(This amendment removes the requirement that the project labor agreement establishes terms and conditions for all contractors and subcontractors.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 7

On page 2 of the amended bill, strike lines 27 through 30 in their entirety, inclusive.

On page 3, strike line 22 in its entirety, inclusive.

(This amendment removes the exemption for workforce housing projects.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 8

On page 2 of the amended bill, in line 32, before “ALL” insert “(1)”; in the same line, strike from “WITH” through “MAY” in line 33, and substitute “SHALL”; in line 39, strike “(1)” and substitute “(1)”; in line 45, strike “(2)” and substitute “(II)”; and after line 48, insert:

“(2) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO ALL SOLICITATIONS FOR COUNTY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2028 WITH A TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF \$35,000,000 OR MORE. ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2028, THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO ALL SOLICITATIONS FOR COUNTY CONSTRUCTIONS PROJECTS.”.

(This amendment requires projects solicited on or before June 30, 2028 with an estimated cost of \$35,000,000 or more to have a project labor agreement; and all projects solicited on or after July 1, 2028 shall have a project labor agreement regardless of total estimated cost.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 9

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 5, after the semicolon insert “providing for a delayed effective date;”.

On page 3, in line 24, strike from “45” through and “law” in line 25 in their entirety, inclusive, and substitute “on July 1, 2026”.

(This amendment delays the effective date to July 1, 2026.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 10

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 3 after the first instance of “of”, insert “defining certain terms relating to project labor agreements;”.

On page 2, strike lines 17 through 20 in their entirety, inclusive, and substitute:

“(4) “PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT” MEANS ANY ROUTINE RESURFACING OR PAVEMENT REPAIR OF A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE FISCAL YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM.”

On page 3, after line 21, insert:

“(D) EXEMPTIONS. THIS TITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECTS.”

(This amendment removes an unnecessary definition, adds a definition of “pavement management project”, and exempts pavement management projects from project labor agreements.)

**AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 100-25, AS AMENDED
(Purchasing – Procurement – Project Labor Agreements)**

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 11

On page 1 of the amended bill, in line 3 after the first instance of “of”, insert “defining certain terms relating to project labor agreements;”.

On page 2, strike lines 17 through 20 in their entirety, inclusive, and substitute:

“(4) “PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT” MEANS ANY ROUTINE RESURFACING OR PAVEMENT REPAIR OF A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE FISCAL YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM.”.

On page 3, in line 22, after “PROJECTS” insert “AND PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECTS”.

(This amendment removes an unnecessary definition, adds a definition of “pavement management project”, and exempts pavement management projects from project labor agreements.)

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 5-26
(Zoning – Moderately Priced Dwelling Units – Density Bonus – Moratorium)

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Fiedler

Amendment No. 1

On page 2 of the proposed bill, in line 25, strike “5” and substitute “1”; in line 27, strike from “in the radius” and substitute “that were part of the College Parkway Operational Safety Study”; and in the same line, strike “B” and substitute “C”.

(This amendment changes the radius for the moratorium to 1 mile, clarifies the intersections that are included in that radius, and changes the required intersection grade to a C.)

AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 5-26
(Zoning – Moderately Priced Dwelling Units – Density Bonus – Moratorium)

February 2, 2026

Introduced by Ms. Fiedler

Amendment No. 2

On page 2 of the proposed bill, in line 31, after “the” insert “density bonus and moderately priced dwelling unit”; and in line 33, after “Ordinance” insert “such that moderately priced dwelling units may still be provided but that the number of proposed dwelling units does not exceed the number of dwelling units allowed prior to the enactment of Council Bill No. 72-24”.

(This amendment clarifies that the moratorium applies to the application of the density bonus and requirement for moderately priced dwelling units.)