

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Minutes of

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 9

May 1, 2026 – 11:00 A.M.

The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Hummer at 11:10 A.M. It was opened with the Invocation, given by Ms. Hummer, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 130 persons in the audience.

The following members of the County Council were present:

Pete Smith	First District
Allison M. Pickard	Second District
Nathan Volke	Third District
Julie Hummer	Fourth District
Amanda Fiedler	Fifth District
Lisa D.B. 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.

The Chair recognized all who were present.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED BUDGET

County Executive Steuart Pittman presented his proposed budget for FY2027 to the Council. (A copy of supporting documents are located in the FY2027 Budget files.)

RECESS

The Council took a recess at 11:30 A.M.

RECONVENE

The Council reconvened at 1:04 P.M.

PRELIMINARY MOTION

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 32-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Anne Arundel County – FOR the purpose of adopting the County Budget, consisting of the Current

Expense Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the Capital Program for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2027, June 30, 2028, June 30, 2029, June 30, 2030, June 30, 2031, and June 30, 2032; and appropriating funds for all expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

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

Bill No. 33-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Special Community Benefit Districts, Shore Erosion Control Districts, and Waterways Improvement Districts – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for special community benefit districts, shore erosion control districts, and waterways improvement districts required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 34-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Arundel Gateway Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Arundel Gateway Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 35-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Arundel Mills Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Arundel Mills Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 36-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Dorchester Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Dorchester Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 37-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – National Business Park Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the National Business Park Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 38-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – National Business Park-North Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the National Business Park-North Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 39-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Two Rivers Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Two Rivers Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 40-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Village South at Waugh Chapel Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Village South at Waugh Chapel Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

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

Bill No. 41-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Fire Flow Test Charge – FOR the purpose of modifying the fire flow test charge; providing for the effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to public works.

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

Bill No. 42-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Infrastructure Maintenance Fee – Utility Investment Fee – FOR the purpose of adding utility investment fees to fund water and wastewater capital improvements; providing for the effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to public works.

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

Bill No. 43-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Solid Waste Collection – Solid Waste Service Charge – FOR the purpose of modifying the solid waste service charge; providing for the effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to public works.

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

Bill No. 44-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Metered Water and Wastewater Charges – FOR the purpose of modifying metered water and wastewater charges; providing for the effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to public works.

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

Bill No. 45-26 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Property Tax and Semiannual Payment Service Charge – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing a property tax for the use of Anne Arundel County for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027; fixing the rate of the County property tax for the taxable year; and establishing the service charge to be paid by a property owner electing to pay real property taxes and all other taxes and charges billed on the real property tax bill under a semiannual payment schedule.

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

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Gustav Kurtz, Chair for the Planning Advisory Board, provided a short presentation. (A copy of supporting documents are located in the FY2027 Budget files.)

Dr. David Juppe, Chair for the Spending Affordability Committee, gave a brief presentation.

Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, gave a presentation of the proposed budget. (A copy of supporting documents are located in the FY2027 Budget files.)

The Council asked clarifying questions on the proposed budget.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 2:06 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

by Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

for Kaley Schultze
Administrative Office