

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Minutes of
FY 2027 Budget Amendment Deliberations
June 9, 2026 – 10:00 A.M.
Council Chambers

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hummer at 10:10 A.M. and opened with the Invocation given by Ms. Fiedler, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 30 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 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.

PRELIMINARY MOTION

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

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 14-26 – RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Charter of Anne Arundel County to establish the County Attorney position as a joint appointment between the County Executive and the County Council, provide the appointment and removal of the joint appointment, and clarify the role of the County Attorney as the general counsel to both branches of government
Introduced by Ms. Hummer

RESOLUTION NO. 15-26 – RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Charter of Anne Arundel County to remove specific position titles from the officers appointed by the Council
Introduced by Ms. Hummer

CALL OF BILLS FOR AMENDMENTS

BILL NO. 32-26

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

On motion by Mr. Volke, seconded by Mr. Smith, the motion to vote on Amendment Nos. 1-15 as a block was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Amendment Nos. 1 through 15

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of amendment Nos. 1 through 15.

Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, explained the background and purpose of the amendments.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment Nos. 1 through 15 were adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(Amendment Nos. 1 through 15 are attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 16

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Capital Budget: Reduces FY27 General County Bonds by \$1,691,500.

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

The Administration does not support.

Ms. Rodvien shared her opposition of the amendment.

Mr. Volke spoke on the amendment.

There was further discussion of the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 16 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No. 16 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 17

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Capital Program: Increases FY28 bonds by \$1,691,500 for Water Access Facilities' Valentine Creek Water Access project.

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

Mr. Trumbauer spoke on the amendment.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 17 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No. 17 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 18

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Capital Budget: Reduces FY27 General County Bonds by \$7,600,000.

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

Mr. Trumbauer spoke on the amendment.

Ms. Hummer clarified the amendment.

Mr. Trumbauer responded.

There was further discussion of the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 18 was defeated by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No. 18 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 19

Mr. Volke did not offer the amendment.

Amendment No. 20

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Capital Budget: Requires a comprehensive plan for Jumpers Hole Rd-MD2-MD177 be shared with the community prior to the use of funds.

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

Ms. Rodvien spoke on the amendment.

The Administration does not oppose.

Ms. Pickard asked a clarifying question.

Mr. Trumbauer responded.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, Amendment No. 20 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – Ms. Rodvien

(A copy of Amendment No. 20 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 21

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Operating: Increases CAO Contingency - Grants, Contributions and Other by \$200,000 and decreases Fire Department operating budget by \$200,000 for medication supply management.

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

Mr. Trumbauer spoke on the amendment.

Ms. Pickard shared her concern for the amendment.

There was further discussion of the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Hummer, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 21 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No. 21 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 22

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Operating Budget: Corrects typographical errors.

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

The Administration supports.

On motion of Ms. Hummer, seconded by Mr. Smith, Amendment No. 22 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No. 22 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 23

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Capital Budget: Reduces FY27 General County Bonds by \$2,079,500.

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

Mr. Trumbauer spoke on the amendment.

Ms. Leadbetter asked a clarifying question.

Mr. Trumbauer answered.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, Amendment No. 23 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No.23 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

Amendment No. 24

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

Capital Program: Increases FY28 bonds by \$1,691,500 for Water Access Facilities' Valentine Creek Water Access project and \$388,000 for Water Access Facilities' Beachwood Park Soft Launch Facility.

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

Mr. Trumbauer spoke on the amendment.

Ms. Rodvien shared her support of the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, Amendment No. 24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

(A copy of Amendment No.24 is attached to the official copy of these minutes.)

RECESS

The Council recessed at 11:50 A.M.

RECONVENE

The Council reconvened at 12:37 P.M.

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, presented the County Executive's proposed supplemental amendments to the budget in accordance with Section 709 of the County Charter.

(The Supplemental Budget letter from Stuart Pittman, County Executive, is attached to the official copy of these minutes).

Mr. Volke asked about the County Executive's Weekly Letter.

Mr. Trumbauer responded.

MOTION TO WAIVE THE PUBLIC HEARING

The Chair read the following statement: "Under the provisions of Section 709 of the Charter, if the County Executive proposes amendments to increase or add items to the Budget, the County Council must give reasonable public notice of the proposed amendments and hold a public hearing on the amendments. Notice of the purposed supplement amendments has been given. The Council may waive this hearing by a vote of five members."

The motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Pickard, to waive the public hearing was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Ms. Hummer stated that the motion to waive the public hearing under Section 709 of the Charter has passed. Notice that supplemental amendments are being proposed will be advertised, text of the amendments will be posted on the County's website and copies will be available in the County Council Offices.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 12:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

by Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

for Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer