

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Minutes of

Virtual Legislative Session 2021, Legislative Day No. 7

April 5, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sarah Lacey at 6:00 P.M. Chris Beatty, Lead Pastor, Hope Springs Church, gave the Invocation, and Mr. Volke led the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held remotely via Zoom Webinar, beginning with roll call of all present. The Auditor's Office was represented by the County Auditor, Michelle Bohlayer.

The following members of the County Council were present:

Sarah F. Lacey	First District
Allison Pickard	Second District
Nathan Volke	Third District
Andrew C. Pruski	Fourth District
Amanda Fiedler	Fifth District
Lisa D.B. Rodvien	Sixth District
Jessica Haire	Seventh District

OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Laura Corby, Administrative Officer, read aloud a statement from the County Attorney regarding the Open Meetings Act.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Laura Corby, Administrative Officer, read aloud the Ethics Statement.

INVITATION TO AUDIENCE

The Administrative Officer stated there were four submissions of written public testimony received for Invitation to Audience, but they all addressed Bill No. 11-21 and would be accounted for as a part of that public hearing.

There was no one else registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no items presented that were not on the agenda.

PRELIMINARY MOTION

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski the minutes of March 15, 2021, were approved as presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL NO. 29-21 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: 2021 Amendments to the Anne Arundel County Solid Waste Management Plan 2013 – FOR the purpose of amending the Anne Arundel County Solid Waste Management Plan 2013; and generally relating to the Anne Arundel County Solid Waste Management Plan 2013.

by Ms. Lacey, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 30-21 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Definitions – Adult Independent Dwelling Unit – FOR the purpose of amending the definition of “adult independent dwelling unit”; and generally relating to zoning.

by Ms. Lacey and Ms. Rodvien

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 23-21 – RESOLUTION in support of the Anne Arundel County Police

Department adapting its policies to allow disciplinary hearings to be streamed over the internet

by Ms. Rodvien

RESOLUTION NO. 24-21 – RESOLUTION opposing the Baltimore-Washington Superconducting Maglev Project

by Ms. Lacey

Ms. Rodvien made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pickard, to hear and vote on Resolution No. 23-21 at the April 5, 2021 meeting.

The motion was defeated by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien

Nay – Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Lacey

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

BILL NO. 11-21 (As Amended))

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 11-21, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Planning and Zoning – General Development Plan – Plan2040 – For the purpose of repealing the 2009 General Development Plan and amendments; adopting “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, consisting of Volume I, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, strategies, planned land use maps, and implementation plan, and Volume II, which includes supporting background information; making certain findings of fact and stating the

legislative intent relative to the General Development Plan; amending a reference to a certain enhancement area; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 11-21, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were 29 submissions of written public testimony received for Bill No. No. 11-21, as amended, including those who signed up at Invitation to Audience, and they were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following registered persons spoke on Bill No. 11-21, as amended:

Ronald Poole, Millersville
Michael Lofton, Harwood
Thornell Jones, Arnold
Matt Minahan, Edgewater
John Pantelides, Annapolis
Mike Werner, Millersville
Greg Pantelides, Annapolis
Tony Piera, Riva
Sager Williams, Annapolis
Chip Walsh, Gambrills
Lisa Arrasmith, Hanover
Walter Rieder, Severna Park
Ana Henry, Annapolis
Jim Lyons, Edgewater
David Plott, Annapolis

There was no one else registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 11-21, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Planning and Zoning – General Development Plan – Plan2040; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Haire questioned the difference between Conservation and Open Space.

Matt Johnston, Environmental Director, responded.

Amendment No. 11

The Chair called for Amendment No. 11, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment corrects the location of certain data from a Plan Appendix to the Plan2040 webpage.

Mr. Baron stated the Amendment is self-explanatory and requested the Council's support.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No 12

The Chair called for Amendment No. 12, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds Application Number OOHR-3, which was inadvertently left out of the chart, to the Appendix entitled “Land Use Changes” for a property located at 2640 Evergreen Road in Odenton.

Mr. Baron stated the Amendment is self-explanatory and requested the Council’s support.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 12 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 13

The Chair called for Amendment No. 13, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment amends the “Development Policy Area” maps included in Plan2040 to change the policy area designation for 1127 Bragers Road in Odenton from “Rural and Agricultural” to “Neighborhood Preservation”.

Mr. Baron stated the Amendment is needed to reflect the need to bring water and sewer to the parcel. The purchase of this property was approved by this Council in Resolution 3-20 for use as a school and a park.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 14

The Chair called for Amendment No. 14, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment amends the map entitled “Resource Sensitive Policy Area Overlay” to include additional Historic Resources, which were inadvertently omitted from the original map.

Mr. Baron stated this was a GIS error which was not included on the map.

Ms. Rodvien asked what areas that were left off the map.

Cindy Carrier, Planning and Zoning, stated that Highland Beach was left off and there were several others.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 15

The Chair called for Amendment No. 15, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment corrects language in Implementation Strategy “d.” for Goal NE2 and Policy NE2.1 under “Planning for the Natural Environment”, to clarify that mitigation requirements should be increased for projects that clear above the forest conservation ordinance thresholds.

Mr. Baron thanked Ms. Pickard and her Legislative Assistant for pointing out this error. It was incorrectly stated just the opposite. The Administration asks for the Council’s support.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 16

The Chair called for Amendment No. 16, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment replaces Implementation Strategy “c.” for Goal NE1 and Policy NE1.1 under “Planning for the Natural Environment”, to require identification of ephemeral streams and an analysis of the need for any prohibitions against disturbance in these areas.

Ms. Fiedler stated this language removes some of the specificity in the original document. She feels more comfortable with less specific language, but still review them for disturbances.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration asks for the Council to reject this amendment. He stated they have an amendment coming later that deals with the definition of ephemeral streams.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler
Nay – Ms. Lacey

Amendment 17

The Chair called for Amendment No. 17, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment restates Implementation Strategy “c.” for Goal NE2 and Policy NE2.1, under “Planning for the Natural Environment”, to better facilitate the creation of forest mitigation banks through an approval process that offsets loss.

Ms. Fiedler stated this is a slight change to what is already in the plan recognizing all land, not just private land. It also adds language to add streamlined forest mitigation process.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to leave the plan as is.

Ms. Fiedler stated this language would enable land owners to create forest mitigation banks on their land through a streamlined process, which she stated is complicated at the County level at this time.

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

Aye – Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Lacey
Nay – Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 18

The Chair called for Amendment No 18, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds language to Goal HC10 under “Planning for Healthy Communities”, to revise the goal to include a comprehensive evacuation plan with adequate evacuation shelters.

Ms. Haire stated that through conversations she has had one of the areas lacking in the County is adequate facilities in the event of natural disaster or other event requiring evacuations. There are only a handful of locations for people to go, and they may have to travel long distances. This requires a plan to make sure this is looked at and put into place.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 18 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 19

The Chair called for Amendment No. 19, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment restates Implementation Strategy “a.9.” for Policy BE1.1, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, related to a review of the Planned Unit Development requirements and the Code.

Ms. Pickard stated this amendment revises the current language in the GDP for the planned unit development strategies. She stated there may have been problems in the past, but revising the language allows them to remain a tool for good development.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On Motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 19 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 20

The Chair called for Amendment No. 20, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment revises Implementation Strategy “a.12.” for Policy BE1.1, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, to clarify that “reviewing” the special exception requirements for assisted living facilities in residential communities is needed to meet the goal.

Ms. Pickard stated this is a slight change to the policy changing revising to review.

Ms. Baron stated the Administration is comfortable with the amendment.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 21

The Chair called for Amendment No. 21, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment replaces Implementation Strategy “a.14.” for Policy BE1.1, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, to suggest a requirement that the Planning and Zoning Officer instruct whether a proposed text amendment to Articles 17 or 18 are consistent with a GDP.

Ms. Pickard stated this amendment is an edit to word choice but also speaks to the powers within the County Council to make text amendments and revises language which states the OPZ Officer is to advise the County Council regarding consistency with the GDP rather than saying amendments shall be found to be consistent with the GDP.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration was not trying to usurp the power of the County Council and is comfortable with this change.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 22

The Chair called for Amendment No. 22, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds language to Implementation Strategy “a.” for Policy BE1.5, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, to include afforestation and forest conservation as a part of evaluating surplus properties in the County for future need.

Ms. Rodvien stated other uses could be considered under this amendment such as affordable housing.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports this amendment,

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 23

The Chair called for Amendment No. 23, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment restates Implementation Strategy “g.” for Policy BE3.1, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, related to infill and redevelopment in the County’s Neighborhood Preservation Policy Area.

Ms. Pickard stated this amendment does several things within neighborhood preservation policy.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 24

The Chair called for Amendment No. 24, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds language to Implementation Strategy “d.” for Goal BE5 and Policy BE5.2, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, to include the evaluation of the effect of regulatory incentives on encouraging growth in policy areas.

Ms. Pickard stated this amendment is focused on growth in targeted areas and evaluates incentives to encourage redevelopment.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 25

The Chair called for Amendment No 25, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds an Implementation Strategy for Goal BE7 and Policy BE7.1 of “Planning for the Natural Environment” to evaluate land included in the Town Center land use designations to accommodate County needs during the Region Planning process.

Ms. Pickard stated this amendment and the next one are adding a new strategy during region planning asking those stakeholder groups to evaluate the land currently designated in the town and village centers to make sure there isn’t land that needs to be brought in for growth purposes.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports this amendment.

There was a discussion on how the strategy would be implemented. Ms. Pompa, Office of Planning and Zoning, stated this amendment puts into writing what best practices would be for their office.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 25 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 26

The Chair called for Amendment No. 26, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds an Implementation Strategy for Goal BE8 and Policy BE8.1 of “Planning for the Natural Environment” to evaluate land included in the Village Center land use designations to accommodate County needs during the Region Planning process.

Ms. Pickard stated this is the same concept as the last amendment. She stated it is a good idea during the region planning to encompass all of the area surrounding the village centers during the planning process.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports to amendment.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 26 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 27

The Chair called for Amendment No. 27, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment amends the “Development Policy Area Definition” for “Neighborhood Preservation” to include accessory dwelling units in development; and adds an Implementation Strategy for Policy BE11.2, under “Planning for the Built Environment”, to include accessory dwelling units in development.

Ms. Rodvien stated this amendment will allow for accessory dwelling units in residential areas. She stated this is a way to allow seniors to age in place, develop affordable housing units and for residents to bring in additional income.

Mr. Baron stated the Council would still need to update the Code to allow ADU in various areas. The Administration supports the amendment.

There was continued discussion about expansion of current ADU which allows the units to exist.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 27 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 28

The Chair called for Amendment No. 28, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment amends Policy HE2.5 of “Planning for a Healthy Economy” to facilitate sustainable agriculture in the County.

Ms. Haire stated this amendment came from the Agritourism bill that dealt with agriculture. She stated we need to take a comprehensive look at sustainable agriculture in the county. The plan doesn’t say anything about sustainable agriculture and this amendment asks that we do that.

Mr. Baron stated that the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 28 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 29

The Chair called for Amendment No. 29, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment removes references to County demographics as “challenges” to planning future land use; and adds references to adapting County policies and programs to shifting demographics as “opportunities” to planning future land use.

Ms. Rodvien stated this amendment is addressing a mindset to embracing diversity as an opportunity to grow.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 29 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 30

The Chair called for Amendment No. 30, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment deletes Implementation Strategy “16” under Goal BE1 and Policy BE1.1 of “Planning for the Built Environment” that relates to BRAC Mixed-Use Development provisions in Article 18 of the Code.

Mr. Pruski stated BRAC is not complete. The intention of the plan was correct but there are projects that are not complete and do not want to limit the uses in area surrounding Ft. Meade.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski Amendment No. 30 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 31

The Chair called for Amendment No. 31, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment adds language to the Transportation and Mobility section of Plan2040 in

support of considering the use of traffic mitigation technology to possibly improve traffic flow at critical merge points in Corridor 8 as a part of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Crossing Study.

Ms. Fiedler stated the plan is a forward looking document. This amendment adds language that the Department of Transportation will have ongoing conversation in traffic mitigation to get current traffic moving and the use of traffic mitigation technology.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Fiedler, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 31 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 32

The Chair called for Amendment No 32, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes the designation of “Conservation” to “Residential Low-Medium Density” for a certain area in the subdivision of Green Haven – Arimger Addition.

Mr. Volke stated this amendment was brought to his attention by the residents of the area. It is a staff recommendation and is a consistency issue. In referring to the map the recommendation takes away the front part of their properties and labels is “conservation” as opposed to them being able to access their properties up to the water which they own. Mr. Volke stated he believes this is an error.

Mr. Baron stated that the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 32 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

RECESS

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Pickard, the Council vote to recess at 7:38 P.M.

RECONVENE

The Council reconvened at 8:00 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

Amendment No. 33

The Chair called for Amendment No. 33, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment modifies the definition of “compatibility” contained in the Glossary to Volume II of Plan2040.

Ms. Pickard stated this amendment adds to the definition of compatibility to add that uses should complement or blend with existing built and planned character of the area. She stated she believes it is important that the language keeps up with modern building and construction and with how communities will look in 50 years versus what they looked like 50 years ago.

Mr. Baron stated that the Administration supports the amendment.

Ms. Lacey asked about the qualitative versus the quantitative elements of this amendment.

Ms. Pompa said it was not done with quantitative elements.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 33 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 34

The Chair called for Amendment No. 34, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment modifies the definition of “ephemeral stream” in the Glossary to Plan2040.

Ms. Haire stated this amendment clarifies the definition that is consistent with Mr. Johnston’s definition given at the work session.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment,

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 34 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 35

The Chair called for Amendment No. 35, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment clarifies the land use changes will become effective upon approval and enactment of Plan2040; and amends the name of the final column in the “Land Use Changes” Appendix to Plan2040 to indicate changes made by “Council amendments”.

Ms. Haire stated this is a recommendation from the Office of Law or the Council’s Legislative Counsel. It changes the name of the column.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski, Amendment No. 35 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 36

The Chair called for Amendment No. 36, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment retains existing Low Density Residential designations for two properties located on Mountain Road that are a part of Land Use Change Application No. SR-36.

Mr. Volke stated there are two parcels just outside the entrance to Gibson Island which were formerly used as Gibson Island Country School. They are owned by the Gibson Island Corporation, which also owns part of the island. They would like to keep the designation of Low Density Residential.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

Mr. Volke asked if there was anything, should this amendment pass, that would preclude the Planning and Zoning staff from changing the designation back to what the staff had recommended during the Regional Planning process.

Ms. Pompa stated there would be nothing precluding that. This amendment refers to two pieces of properties in a larger group of parcels in the area asking for the designation of rural. The purpose is to preclude development of subdivisions on peninsulas in the County. From the staff perspective it is a consistency issue.

Mr. Volke stated the area is extremely protected and development potential is very minimal.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 36 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 37

The Chair called for Amendment No. 37, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Medium Density Residential for a property located on 8410 Brock Bridge Road; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated this property is near the MARC station. The Regional Area committee will be reviewing this. He stated they prefer the development be near Ft. Meade, which is why he is recommending the change.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 37 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 38

The Chair called for Amendment No. 38, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Rural to Low Density Residential for a property located on 292 Charles Hall Road; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated this is the property referred to earlier in testimony. This gentleman has owned this property for 40 years. It is on a dead end road. You cannot develop or subdivide the property any more. He has asked for this previously and it was not approved.

Mr. Baron stated that Mr. Poole was very convincing in his testimony; however, the Administration prefers to stay with the staff recommendations on this parcel.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 38 was adopted by

the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 39

The Chair called for Amendment No. 39, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low-Medium Density Residential to High Density Residential for a property located on 1451 Furnace Avenue; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Ms. Pickard stated this area is currently a split zone property, with the south portion being R15 and the north portion being R5. There is very little high density property available. It is near a school, and is going to be hard to develop.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 39 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 40

The Chair called for Amendment No. 40, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Commercial, with additional notations, for a property located on 845 Ritchie Highway; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Ms. Fiedler stated there is additional language regarding environmental features during the development phase, which came from the community. Ms. Fiedler described the environmental features of the property, and determined that commercial is the appropriate use for this property.

Ms. Pompa stated that different zoning regulations would be triggered no matter what type of development that happens on this property.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 40 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 41

The Chair called for Amendment No. 41, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Medium Density Residential for a property located on 8402 Brock Bridge Road; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated this property is located near the MARC station. This is a consistency issue with the previous property.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 41 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 42

The Chair called for Amendment No. 42, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low-Medium Density Residential to Open Space for a property located on Waugh Chapel Road; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated this property is a former stump dump. It is not technically listed as a land fill, but it is. He has contacted the property owner so they are aware that he thinks this is a good spot to be designated as Open Space. Waugh Chapel Road is a Minor Arterial road. He stated that there would be a ton of easements required for continued development.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 42 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 43

The Chair called for Amendment No. 43, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Commercial for a property located on 161 Ritchie Highway; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Ms. Fiedler stated this amendment references the Earleigh Heights Fire Company. The property is fully owned by the Fire Company. All three corners adjacent are commercial. The property the Fire Company owns is residential. This amendment would change the land use to commercial. They would like to lease the property as a commercial development. It could possibly assist the Fire Company in the construction of a new fire house in the future.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

Mr. Volke stated he was proud to support this and the volunteers for their service to the community.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 43 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 44

The Chair called for Amendment No. 44, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Maritime for a property located on 330 Highview Road, Parcels 268 and 19; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Ms. Haire stated this amendment refers to the triangular area on the exhibit. They are looking to change a small portion which is currently a field. The historic house and barn in the area are not touched. The owners of the marina would like to remove the impervious surface which is close to the water and move it further back away from the water, replacing it with native and natural buffers at the waterline. There are current boat racks they are looking to extend. The primary concern she has heard was regarding the house and barn, which are not included.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked

at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 44 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No 45

The Chair called for Amendment No. 45, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment makes a correction to the property address for LUCA-151, and sets forth a request that the Stakeholder Advisory Committee specifically consider the future use of the property located on 454 East Bay Front Road during its deliberations.

Ms. Haire stated this amendment has both pros and cons associate with it. They currently have one acre out of 30 which is designated as commercial. The owners are looking to expand that area. She wants the Committee to specifically look at this parcel and show what they would like to see happen with it.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked why the recommendation was to retain the split zoning, since he is aware that they are trying to get away from that type of zoning.

Ms. Pompa stated this is land use and not zoning in this case. She stated there is only a small portion of the property that is commercial.

There was continued discussion on parcels in Mr. Volke's district which Ms. Pompa is going to review and get back to him.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski, Amendment No. 45 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No 46

The Chair called for Amendment No. 46, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Maritime for Application Number LUCA-162 associated with a property located on Holland Point Road;

and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Volke stated this amendment deals with another property where there was a request for a property on Gibson Island. It is currently low density residential and they would like to change is to maritime because they would like to use it for boat storage in the winter time. As he understands it is a relatively remote area on the island.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 46 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 47

The Chair called for Amendment No. 47, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Industrial for Application Number LUCA-163 associated with a property located on Romany Road; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Volke stated this property is also on Gibson Island. The property owners would like it zoned Industrial rather than Residential so they can store equipment on the property.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

There was a discussion regarding the Administration's position on staff recommendations. Mr. Baron stated many of the amendments were discussed in detail with the Councilperson representing the area in question. Ms. Pompa explained the discussions that were held with the Gibson Island Corporation about these two LUCA's.

Mr. Volke stated the issues with doing the GDP before the regional plans.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski, Amendment No. 47 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Haire, Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Lacey
Nay – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Pickard, Ms. Pruski

Amendment No. 48

The Chair called for Amendment No. 48, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Commercial, Rural to Mixed-Use for a property located on 743 Maryland Route 3; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated there was a review of a moratorium for development on Route 3. Part of the problem is that the County does not own the road. There also has to be a start and end date. Traffic is the primary issue in this area. He is trying to look at ways to make the development less intense. This amendment is a classification change to Mixed Use, which is less intensive.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

There was continued discussion about designations in the area.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski, Amendment No. 48 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 49

The Chair called for Amendment No. 49, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Commercial along Maryland Route 3, Low-Medium Density Residential for rear parcels to Mixed-Use for properties located on 708, 710, 713, and 714 McKnew Road Crain Highway, Maryland Route 3 South and 736 Maryland Route 3 South; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated the Gambrills Athletic Club is located off McKnew Road and this is a very busy intersection. If there is Commercial along this area there will need to be a new traffic signal. He stated he believes going to a Mixed Use is a more appropriate designation.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 49 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,

Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 50

The Chair called for Amendment No. 50, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Commercial to Mixed-Use for properties located on Maryland Route 3 South; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated this amendment also changes the use from Commercial to Mixed Use.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 50 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 51

The Chair called for Amendment No. 51, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Commercial to Mixed-Use for properties located on 814 Maryland Route 3 South; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Mr. Pruski stated this amendment changes the subject property from Commercial to Mixed Use.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 51 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 52

The Chair called for Amendment No. 52, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment changes a Land Use Classification from Low Density Residential to Commercial for a property located on 1046 E. College Parkway; and revises the applicable land use charts and maps contained Plan2040 accordingly.

Ms. Fiedler stated this amendment addresses four parcels on College Parkway and Route 50. She thinks it is more appropriate for this property to be designated Commercial.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration prefers to maintain the GDP as drafted and be looked at during the Regional Planning process.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 52 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

Amendment No. 53

The Chair called for Amendment No. 53, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment renames “small area plans” to be “region plans” and “small area planning committees” to be “Stakeholder Advisory Committees”; provides that any land use map changes adopted during the region plan process shall be shown in a map and include a description of how the changes are consistent with the current general development plan; and provides that land use map changes adopted during the region plan process shall be considered amendments to the current general development plan.

Mr. Baron stated this amendment is regarding the community having a strong say in how the Regional Planning Process is carried out.

Ms. Haire asked about the fact that there had been a lot of discussion about the Regional Plans, but this amendment seems to direct the Regional Plans to what is in the GDP.

Ms. Kenney stated that the language is to allow the Council to determine if the Region Plan is consistent with the GDP or if there is going to be a change.

There was continued discussion about the language used in this amendment and what controls, the Region Plan or the GDP.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 53 was defeated by the following roll call vote:

Aye – None

Nay – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey

Amendment No. 54

The Chair called for Amendment No. 54, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment amends County Code to rename “small area plans” to be “region plans” and “small area planning committees” to be “Stakeholder Advisory Committees; adds a requirement that the County Executive’s appointments to the planning committees be approved by resolution of the County Council; and makes certain technical changes in Plan2040 and Code to reflect these language changes.

Mr. Pruski stated this amendment makes the decisions collaborative. This recommends the Council approve the County Executive’s appointments.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports this amendment and the collaboration with the Council it supports.

Ms. Schuett stated there was a change stating that the Regional Plans would be taken into consideration in the next GDP. She stated that sounds like they are waiting for eight to ten years to consider the Regional Plans.

Mr. Baron stated the intent to consider it in the next version is to make sure there is through line to make sure they are starting with the Regional Plans to start the next GDP. It is to raise the importance of the Regional Plan.

There was continued discussion about the wording of the amendment and why it is required. Ms. Pompa stated they always want to look back at what was done previously.

Mr. Kaii-Ziegler explained what the process will be to institutionalize the process which hasn’t been done before now.

There was continue discussion regarding the wording of the amendment and the process of its implementation.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 54 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey

Nay – None

Amendment No. 55

The Chair called for Amendment No. 55, and the Administrative Officer read the description:

This amendment requires each Stakeholder Advisory Committee to be composed of at least nine members, but not more than fifteen members, and at least two-thirds of the members to be residents of the region being planned; and amends the list of types of representatives to be considered for the composition of Stakeholder Advisory Committees.

Mr. Pruski stated they need a wide range of people to serve on these committees. He stated they don't want the same group of people on all of the committees and ensuring that 2/3 of the members on the committees live in the community. He stated it is hard to get people to serve, but there should be diversity on the committees, and this amendment will achieve that.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports this amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 55 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

RECESS

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, the Council vote to recess at 10:05 P.M.

RECONVENE

The Council reconvened at 10:15 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

The Chair stated that Bill No. 11-21, As Amended, will be heard on April 19, 2021.

BILL NO. 16-21 (As Amended)

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 16-21, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Personnel – Positions in the Exempt Service – Police Department – For the purpose of increasing certain exempt positions in the Police Department adding a certain position to the exempt service; providing for the pay applicable to the position added to the exempt service; modifying the numbers, titles, and positions in the exempt service in the Police Department approved as part of the annual budget and appropriation ordinance; and generally relating to personnel; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, was accompanied by Chief Amal Awad, Anne Arundel County Police Department, Anne Budowski, Acting Personnel Officer, Pearlene Collins,

Personnel Department, Steven Theroux, Budget Office, and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney, stated this bill has been discussed at previous meetings.

Chief Awad stated she has requested these positions to assist her in the Police Department. She detailed the responsibilities of each of the positions. She thanked the Council for their support.

Mr. Volke asked why Chief Awad was bringing the request for these positions when we are so close to the budget being presented to the Council.

Chief Awad stated she needed the help yesterday.

Mr. Baron stated the hiring process takes time. Ms. Budowski stated that waiting for the budget would mean a July 1 start date at the earliest.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 16-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 16-21.

There was no one registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

There was continued discussion about funding for the positions in the next budget year and how the positions will integrate into the current Police leadership.

The Chair called Bill No. 16-21, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Personnel – Positions in the Exempt Service – Police Department; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 16-21 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

BILL NO. 17-21 (As Amended)

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No 17-21, As Amended, An Ordinance concerning: Personnel – Positions in the Classified Service – Job Classifications – Position Control – Fire Department – For the purpose of adding certain fire communications operator positions to the classified service; providing for the pay and minimum qualifications applicable to the job classifications being added to the classified service; decreasing certain positions in the classified service; increasing certain positions in the classified service; and generally relating to personnel; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, was accompanied by Chief Trisha Wolford, Anne Arundel County Fire Department, Anne Budowski, Acting Personnel Officer, Steven Theroux, Budget Office, and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney, stated this bill has been discussed at previous meetings.

Chief Wolford described why they want to reclassify the Fire Communications Operator positions to allow for growth in the positions. She stated they also have had problems with maintaining staff in the positions, and this would allow them to do that through proficiency advancements.

There was discussion regarding the number of positions available for proficiency advancements.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 17-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 17-21.

There was no one registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 17-21, As Amended, An Ordinance concerning: Personnel – Positions in the Classified Service – Job Classifications – Position Control – Fire Department; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 17-21 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

BILL NO. 20-21 (As Amended)

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 20-21, As amended, An Ordinance concerning: Floodplain Management, Erosion and Sediment Control, and Stormwater Management – Subdivision and Development – Forest Conservation – For the purpose of amending the definition of “standard grading plan”; requiring approval to clear a specific number of trees or area of forest if the clearing includes certain sensitive areas, plants, shrubs, or trees, or habitats; requiring replanting or payment of a fee-in-lieu of replanting when an approved standard grading plan allows for the clearing of certain trees; establishing civil fines for certain clearing violations; adding penalties for violations of erosion and sediment control and stormwater management provisions; adding penalties for clearing violations that occur during development; and generally relating to floodplain management, erosion and sediment control, and stormwater management and subdivision and development; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Ms. Rodvien, Sponsor, stated this bill is to close the unintentional loophole that was left in the Forest Conservation bill which allows tree clearing before a development application is submitted to allow for a minor penalty versus the penalty in the Forest Conservation bill itself.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, stated the Administration has been working with the Sponsor to clarify various aspects of the bill. They have an amendment which was not ready for tonight’s hearing, and he requested that after the public hearing the bill be held until the April 19, 2021, Council meeting.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 20-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there was one submission of written public testimony received on Bill No. 20-21, as amended, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

There was one person registered to speak, but was unable to wait and will send his remarks in writing. The hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 20-21, An Ordinance concerning: Floodplain Management, Erosion and Sediment Control, and Stormwater Management – Subdivision and Development – Forest Conservation; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

On motion of Ms. Rodvien, seconded by Mr. Pruski, the Council voted to hold the vote on Bill No. 20-21, until the April 19, 2021, meeting by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

BILL NO. 21-21 (As Amended)

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 21-21, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Landscaping and Tree Contracting with Accessory Recycling of Logs into Firewood – For the purpose of allowing “landscaping and tree contracting with accessory recycling of logs into firewood” as a special exception use in RA residential districts; adding the special exception use requirements for “landscaping and tree contracting with accessory recycling of logs into firewood”; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Ms. Haire stated this bill has been discussed previously, and asked the Council to support recycling of logs into firewood.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, was accompanied by Steve Kaii-Ziegler, Director, Planning and Zoning, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law. He stated they appreciate Ms. Haire’s work on the bill and the Administration supports.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 21-21, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 21-21, as amended.

There was one person registered to speak who was unable to stay in the meeting. The public hearing on Bill No. 21-21, as amended, was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 21-21, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Landscaping and Tree Contracting with Accessory Recycling of Logs into Firewood; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title:

Bill No. 21-21, as amended, was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

BILL NO. 22-21

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 22-21, An Ordinance concerning: Current Expense Budget – Fund Transfer and Supplementary Appropriations – 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 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, 2021; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, was accompanied by Steven Theroux, Budget Office, Karin McQuade, Controller, Ms. White, Social Services, Karen Henry, DPW, Ms. Henley, Department of Health and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney. Mr. Baron stated this is an important transfer bill and explained the details of the bill, including the grant money which has been received and the contribution to the Revenue Reserve Fund.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 22-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 22-21.

There was no one registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 22-21, An Ordinance concerning: Current Expense Budget – Fund Transfer and Supplementary Appropriations; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 22-21 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

BILL NO. 23-21

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 23-21, An Ordinance concerning: Approval of Second Amendment of Lease Agreement of certain County-owned property to Robert A. Pascal Youth and Family Services, Inc. – For the purpose of approving a second amendment to

the lease of County-owned property to Robert A. Pascal Youth and Family Services, Inc. to extend the lease term for an additional fifteen years; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, accompanied by Steven Theroux, Budget Office, Christine Romans, Director, Central Services, and Christine Needier, Office of Law, stated this bill will approve an amendment to the County's lease agreement with the Pascal Youth and Family Services for the Crownsville Hospital Center and extends the lease term by 15 years. The current lease expires in April of 2022. The extension of the lease will allow the Pascal Center to make improvements to the property and enjoy the use of the property into the future.

Ms. Fiedler asked to be added as a co-Sponsor to the bill.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 23-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 23-21.

There was one person registered to speak on Bill No. 23-21:

Bruce Bereano, Lobbyist, Pascal Center

There was no one else register to speak, and the public hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 23-21, An Ordinance concerning: Approval of Second Amendment of Lease Agreement of certain County-owned property to Robert A. Pascal Youth and Family Services, Inc.; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 23-21 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

BILL NO. 24-21

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 24-21, An Ordinance concerning: Timbers Special Community Benefit District – For the purpose of establishing the Timbers Special Community Benefit District; establishing the purposes of the District and the manner of assessment for the District; and designating a civic or community association to administer the expenditures of the District; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, was accompanied by Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney. Mr. Trumbauer discussed the origin of the bill and the location of the community. They received over 68% of the community votes for the SCBD.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 24-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 24-21.

There was one person registered to speak on Bill No. 24-21:

Michael Corliss, Arnold

There was no one else registered to speak, and the public hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 24-21, An Ordinance concerning: Timbers Special Community Benefit District; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 24-21 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey

Nay – None

BILL NO. 25-21

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 25-21, An Ordinance concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Revenue Reserve Fund – For the purpose of increasing the allowable amount of money in the Revenue Reserve Fund to 6% of the estimated General Fund revenues for the upcoming fiscal year; and generally relating to the Revenue Reserve Fund; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Ms. Haire stated she is grateful for the Council's full support on this bill. She stated the Auditor's letter explained the bill fully.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs was accompanied by Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney. Mr. Trumbauer stated the Administration supports the bill fully and supports setting the Revenue Reserve Fund at 6%.

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

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written public testimony received on Bill No. 25-21.

There was no one registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 25-21, An Ordinance concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Revenue Reserve Fund; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey

Nay – None

BILL NO. 26-21

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 26-21, An Ordinance concerning: Crimes, Civil Offenses, and Fines – Crimes – Noise Disturbances – For the purpose of amending the prohibition against the use of certain audio producing devices at an unreasonably loud volume in residential districts; amending the time during which certain devices with sound at an unreasonably loud volume are prohibited in residential districts; creating a rebuttable presumption that noise heard within a certain distance is a violation; establishing the amount of a civil fine for noise violations; making certain technical changes; and generally relating to crimes, civil offenses, and fines; and the Administrative Officer read the title.

Mr. Volke explained the background on the bill and how the bill updates the Code to current standards.

Pete Baron, Director, Government Affairs, accompanied by Major Passman, County Police and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law, stated the Administration supports the bill.

The Chair opened the public hearing on Bill No. 26-21.

The Administrative Officer stated there was one submission of written public testimony received on Bill No. 26-21, as amended, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

There was no one registered to speak and the hearing was concluded.

The Chair called Bill No. 26-21, An Ordinance concerning: Crimes, Civil Offenses, and Fines – Crimes – Noise Disturbances; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 26-21 was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Haire, Ms. Pickard, Mr. Volke, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Fiedler,
Ms. Lacey
Nay – None

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Lacey expressed a concern regarding the number of potential amendments for Bill No. 11-21, as amended, and the amount of time it might take to get through them at the next meeting. She brought up the idea of starting earlier. There was some discussion and a decision was deferred.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, the meeting adjourned at 11:19 P.M.

The Chair stated that the next Council meeting will be held on Monday, April 19, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Susan F. Cline

by Susan F. Cline

/s/ Laura Corby

for Laura Corby
Administrative Officer