

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Minutes of
Legislative Session 2022, Legislative Day No. 7
March 21, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Rodvien at 7:00 P.M. and opened with the Invocation given by Councilmember Amanda Fiedler, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Cub Scout Pack 727, of Arnold MD. 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:

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

The County Auditor's Office was represented by Michelle Bohlayer, County Auditor. Linda Schuett, Legislative Counsel, was also present.

ETHICS STATEMENT

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

INVITATION TO AUDIENCE

The Chair opened Invitation to Audience.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for the Invitation to Audience portion of the meeting.

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

ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON AGENDA

Ms. Rodvien, Chair, presented Linda Schuett, Legislative Counsel to the County Council, with a Council citation in honor of her retirement from County service.

PRELIMINARY MOTION

On motion of Ms. Lacey, 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. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Pickard, the minutes of the meeting of March 7, 2022 were unanimously approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL NO. 30-22 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Anne Arundel County Open Data Act – FOR the purpose of requiring the County to make certain public data sets available on a single web portal on the internet; requiring the County to develop a technical standards manual for publishing public data sets; requiring the Chief Administrative Officer to develop an Open Data Implementation Plan; and generally relating to general provisions.
Introduced by Ms. Rodvien, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 31-22 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – BRAC Mixed Use Development – FOR the purpose of amending the definition of “BRAC Mixed Use Development”; grandfathering certain development applications for BRAC Mixed Use Development; amending the conditional use requirements for BRAC Mixed Use Development; adopting the “Four Mile Radius from U.S. Army Ft. George G. Meade” map; making technical changes; and generally relating to subdivision and development and zoning.
Introduced by Ms. Lacey and by Mr. Pruski

BILL NO. 32-22 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Admissions and Amusement Tax – Tax Holiday – FOR the purpose of granting a holiday from the tax on admissions and amusement charges during certain months and under certain circumstances; and generally relating to finance, taxation, and budget.
Introduced by Ms. Haire

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 6-22 – RESOLUTION approving the terms and conditions of the acquisition of real properties in Severn, Maryland from Ribera Development, LLC, utilizing funds from the Advance Land Acquisition Capital Project
Introduced by Ms. Rodvien, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

MOTION TO CHANGE THE ORDER

Ms. Rodvien, Chair, noted the number of bills on the agenda and the people in attendance, and asked that the Council consider changing the order of the bills.

On motion of Mr. Pruski, seconded by Ms. Pickard, a motion to hear and vote on Bill Nos. 23-22, 8-22, 17-22 through 26-22, and 16-22 out of order was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

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

BILL NO. 23-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 23-22, an Ordinance concerning: Approval of the Lease Agreement for Quiet Waters Retreat – For the purpose of approving an agreement to lease part of County-owned property known as Quiet Waters Retreat to Chesapeake Conservation Center LLC.

The Administrative Office read a portion of the title.

Mr. Volke asked for the clarification of the order of the bills.

Ms. Rodvien responded.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Greg Swain, County Attorney, Jessica Leys and Erica Jackson Matthews, Recreation and Parks, Chris Daniels, Office of Central Services, as well as representatives from the Chesapeake Conservancy.

Mr. Baron explained the bill and gave some of the history of the property in question.

Ms. Fiedler asked a clarifying question about the lease.

Mr. Swain responded.

Ms. Haire questioned the length of the lease.

Mr. Swain responded.

There was continued discussion between Ms. Haire and Mr. Swain.

Mr. Volke asked for further information on the lease.

Mr. Swain responded.

Ms. Pickard shared her experience with County leases.

Mr. Swain explained the type of lease being used.

Ms. Haire asked several more questions.

Ms. Leys responded by explaining the public benefit and Ms. Jackson explained the project timeline.

There was continued discussion on the lease agreement.

Ms. Lacey shared her support for Bill No. 23-22.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 23-22.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 23-22.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 23-22:

Matthew Earl, Edgewater

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 23-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Haire, Mr. Volke, Ms. Rodvien, and Ms. Pickard thanked the Earl family, who was in attendance, for their dedication to this project and for providing the funding.

Bill No. 23-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 8-22 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 8-22, as amended, an Ordinance concerning: Zoning – 2022 Green Infrastructure Master Plan – For the purpose of repealing the 2002 Greenways Master Plan and amendments; adopting the 2022 Green Infrastructure Master Plan and appendices as a guide for the future conservation of natural lands in the County; making certain findings of fact and stating the legislative intent relative to the Green Infrastructure Master Plan; making a conforming change; and generally relating to zoning and the County’s 2022 Green Infrastructure Master Plan.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Matt Johnston Environmental Policy Director, and Steven Kaii-Ziegler, Christina Pompa, and Michael Stringer, Office of Planning and Zoning.

Mr. Baron explained the amended bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 8-22, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 8-22, as amended.

There was no one present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 8-22, as amended, to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No. 5

This amendment requires an annual report on the status of the progress of any conservation goals referenced in the 2022 Green Infrastructure Master Plan.

Ms. Haire, Sponsor, explained the amendment.

Mr. Baron stated that the Administration did not support the amendment and preferred Amendment No. 8. Mr. Kaii-Ziegler agreed.

Ms. Pickard outlined several concerns.

Mr. Volke asked how the amendments differed.

Ms. Pompa explained there would be a timing conflict for Zoning and Planning.

There was continued discussion between Mr. Volke and Ms. Pompa.

Ms. Haire stated her desire to withdraw Amendment No. 5.

On motion of Ms. Haire, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 5 was withdrawn.

Amendment No. 6

This amendment makes Bill No. 8-22 contingent upon certain notice to property owners of their property being newly included in the 2022 Green Infrastructure Network; allows for property owners to indicate whether their property is available for conservation or subject to owner plans, which will be reflected in the 2022 Green Infrastructure Network; requires the 2022 Green Infrastructure Master Plan be revised to show properties “subject to property owner plans” from the Green Infrastructure Network; and delays the effective date of any ordinances that rely on the Green Infrastructure Network.

Ms. Haire, Sponsor, explained the amendment.

Mr. Baron outlined several concerns the Administration had with the amendment. Mr. Johnston agreed.

Mr. Kaii-Ziegler stated that Planning and Zoning opposed the amendment and provided an explanation. Ms. Pompa and Mr. Stringer provided further explanation.

Mr. Volke questioned the financial impact.

Ms. Pompa responded.

Mr. Volke expressed his support for the amendment.

Mr. Baron responded.

Ms. Pickard stated her opposition to the amendment.

Ms. Lacey stated her support for the amendment.

Ms. Fiedler shared her concerns.

Ms. Rodvien reminded the Council that the bill is non-regulatory.

On motion of Ms. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Haire, Amendment No. 6 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, Ms. Haire, Ms. Lacey

Nay – Ms. Pickard, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Rodvien

Amendment No. 7

This amendment prohibits the 2022 Green Infrastructure Master Plan from being used by a County department, office, or agency in any decision making.

Mr. Volke, Sponsor, withdrew Amendment No. 7.

Amendment No. 8

This amendment requires the Office of Planning and Zoning to submit an annual report on the progress of the implementation of the Green Infrastructure Master Plan and, as a part of the annual report, update the Green Infrastructure Network Map to reflect certain changes and additions.

Ms. Pickard, Sponsor, explained the amendment.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Pruski, Amendment No. 8 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 8-22, as amended, will be heard on Monday, April 4, 2022.

BILL NO. 17-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 17-22, an Ordinance concerning Planning and Development – Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems for the purpose to amend the Master Plan for Water Supply and Sewerage Systems, 2017 to alter certain maps.

The Administrative Office read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Alex Szachnowicz, Board of Education, Steve Kaii-Ziegler and Cindy Carrier, Office of Planning and Zoning, Al Herb, Department of Health, Chris Murphy, Department of Public Works, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

Mr. Baron explained Bill No. 17-22.

Mr. Pruski stated his support for the bill.

The Chair reminded the Council that the public hearing on Bill No. 17-22 was left open on March 7, 2022 and called for the public hearing to continue.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 17-22.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 17-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 17-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 18-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 18-22, an Ordinance Concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Opioid Abatement Special Revenue Fund – FOR the purpose of establishing an Opioid Abatement Special Revenue Fund; providing for payment of revenues restricted in use by the State into the Fund; providing that the Fund shall be a special, non-lapsing fund; specifying the purposes for which transfers may be made from the Fund; and generally relating to finance, taxation, and budget.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney, and Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer.

(At this point in the meeting, the County broadcast of the meeting experienced an error and the live broadcast was interrupted. The meeting continued.)

The Chair reminded the Council that the public hearing on Bill No. 18-22 was left open on March 7, 2022 and called for the public hearing to continue.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 18-22.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 18-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 18-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 19-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 19-22, an Ordinance concerning: Aggregate Net Energy Metering Credit Purchase Agreement – Glenn Burnie Landfill Solar LLC – For the purpose of approving an Aggregate Net Energy Metering Credit Purchase Agreement between Glenn Burnie Landfill Solar LLC and Anne Arundel County, Maryland, to provide for the purchase by the County of energy output from a solar facility constructed, owned, and operated by Glenn Burnie Landfill Solar LLC on property leased by Glenn Burnie Landfill Solar LLC from the County under the terms and conditions contained in the Aggregate Net Energy Metering Credit Purchase Agreement; and generally relating to the Aggregate Net Energy Metering Credit Purchase Agreement.

The Administrative Office read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Matt Johnston, Environmental Policy Director, Lori Blair Klasmeier, Office of Law, and Christine Anderson, Office of Central Services.

Mr. Baron explained the bill.

The Chair reminded the Council that the public hearing on Bill No. 19-22 was left open on March 7, 2022 and called for the public hearing to continue.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 19-22.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 19-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Haire questioned the energy rate.

Mr. Johnson responded.

Bill No. 19-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

BILL NO. 20-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 20-22, an Ordinance concerning: Legislative Branch – Compensation – Benefits – For the purpose of increasing the salaries of members of the County Council as recommended by the Salary Standard Commission with a certain limitation; amending certain benefits and allowances of members of the County Council as recommended by the Salary Standard Commission; and generally relating to the Legislative Branch.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Lori Blair Klasmeier, County Deputy Attorney, was present to answer any questions.

Mr. Pruski, the sponsor, explained the bill.

Mr. Volke explained his opposition to Bill No. 20-22.

Ms. Fiedler made a comment.

Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Pickard, and Ms. Lacey expressed support for Bill No. 20-22.

There was continued discussion amongst the Council.

The Chair reminded the Council that the public hearing on Bill No. 20-22 was left open on March 7, 2022 and called for the public hearing to continue.

The Administrative Officer stated there was 1 submission of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 20-22.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 20-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 20-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

BILL NO. 21-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 21-22, an Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development and Zoning – Cluster Development – For the purpose of adding subdivision and development and zoning provisions relating to cluster development; exempting applications for cluster development made before a certain date from the new provisions; prohibiting modifications to certain open space requirements for cluster development; allowing “cluster development” as a

conditional use in certain residential zoning districts; adding the conditional use requirements for cluster development; repealing the bulk regulations for cluster development in certain residential zoning districts; repealing the conditional use and special exception use requirements for “duplexes and semi-detached dwellings”; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to subdivision and development and zoning.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Fiedler, the sponsor, withdrew Bill No. 21-22 with no opposition from the rest of the Council.

BILL NO. 22-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 22-22, an Ordinance concerning: Hollywood on the Severn Special Community Benefit District – For the purpose of establishing the Hollywood on the Severn 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.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Office of Law.

Mr. Baron explained the purpose of Bill No. 22-22.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 22-22.

The Administrative Officer stated there was 1 submission of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 22-22.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 22-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 24-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 24-22, an Ordinance concerning: Personnel and Public Ethics – Positions in the Exempt Service – FOR the purpose of adding the position of Executive Director to the Police Accountability Board to the exempt service; adding the pay, pension, and financial disclosure requirements applicable to the Executive Director; increasing the number of exempt positions under the Chief Administrative Officer approved as part of the annual budget and

appropriation ordinance to add the Executive Director and an administrative secretary; and generally relating to personnel and public ethics.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Jacqueline Rickers-Atkinson, Personnel, and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Office of Law.

Mr. Baron explained the vote on Bill No. 24-22 would need to be held until the work on Bill No. 16-22 was done.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 24-22.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 24-22.

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 24-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Haire, the Council voted to hold the vote until April 4, 2022 by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 25-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 25-22, an Ordinance concerning: General Provisions – Language Access – For the purpose of defining certain terms; requiring County agencies to provide equal access to public services, meetings, websites, and webpages for individuals with limited English proficiency; providing for the coordination, technical assistance, and formulation of minimum standards for equal language access; and generally relating to general provisions.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Asha Smith, Equity, Diversion, and Inclusion Officer, and Lori Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney.

Mr. Baron explained the purpose of Bill No. 25-22.

Mr. Volke asked a question.

Mr. Baron replied.

There was continued conversation between Mr. Volke and Mr. Baron.

Mr. Pruski offered this support for Bill No. 25-22.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 25-22.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 25-22.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 25-22:

Kirsten Clark, Executive Director at Center of Help, Annapolis
Tara Kim, Pasadena
Connor Curran, Pasadena

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 25-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Mr. Volke asked Ms. Bohlayer several questions about the fiscal impact of the bill.

Ms. Bohlayer replied.

Ms. Fiedler also questioned the impact of the bill.

Mr. Baron responded.

There was continued discussion between the Council and Ms. Smith regarding the purpose of the bill and the legal implications.

Ms. Pickard and Ms. Rodvien offered their support for the bill.

Bill No. 25-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

BILL NO. 26-22

The Chair called for Bill No. 26-22, an Ordinance concerning: Public Works – Weeds and Vegetation – For the purpose of prohibiting community associations from allowing rank vegetation and noxious weeds on property; exempting certain storm water management ponds or devices from the prohibition against allowing rank vegetation and noxious weeds on property; and generally relating to public works.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Kelly Kenney, Office of Law, and Alex Baquie, Director of Bureau of Highways, Department of Public Works.

Mr. Baron explained the bill.

Ms. Pickard, as a co-sponsor, offered her support for the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 26-22.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 26-22.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 25-22:

John Jason, Pasadena

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 26-22 to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Lacey offered her support for Bill No. 26-22.

Several Council members asked questions about weeds and vegetation.

Mr. Baquie responded to all questions.

Ms. Fiedler made a comment.

Bill No. 26-22 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 16-22 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 16-22, as amended, an Ordinance concerning: Police Accountability Board – For the purpose of establishing a Police Accountability Board; defining certain terms; providing for the composition and terms and removal of members of the Police Accountability Board; providing for a chair of the Police Accountability Board; providing for the meeting standards, training, budget and staff, compensation of members, and recordkeeping standards of the Police Accountability Board; establishing the duties of the Police Accountability Board; requiring annual reports by the Police Accountability Board; providing for the compensation, staffing, and appointment of members of Administrative Charging Committees and Trial Boards; requiring voting members of Police Accountability Board to file financial disclosure statements; and generally relating to boards, commissions, and similar bodies and public ethics.

The Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Pete Baron, Director of Government Affairs, was accompanied by Lori Blair Klasmeier and Ethan Hunt, Office of Law, Chief Amal Awad and David Morris, Anne Arundel County Police Department, and Ronda McCoy, Annapolis City Police Department.

Mr. Baron briefly covered the history of Bill No. 16-22.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 16-22.

The Administrative Officer stated there were 10 submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 16-22.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 16-22:

Kirsten Clark, Executive Director, Center of Help, Annapolis
Nikki Owens, Fredericksburg, Virginia
Lynda Davis, Linthicum
Linda Girdner, Gambrills
Imani Jackson, Glen Burnie
Jen Roman, Odenton
Tiera Hawkes, Chair, Civilian Review Board and Public Defender, Baltimore
Rev. Marguerite Morris, Odenton
Amy Cruice, ACLU Maryland, Annapolis
William Rowel, Senior Advisor, Mayor Buckley, Annapolis
Nina Harrison, CASA, Baltimore
Emma Buchman, Severna Park
Dorien Rogers, President, NAACP Salisbury University
Wanda Brown, Annapolis
Dr. Randy Rowel, Annapolis
Pastor Steven Tillett, Annapolis
Jennifer Sell, Severna Park
Steven Waddy, Severn
Phil Ateto, Annapolis
Derrick Graham, AACPD
Mike Shier, AACPD
Dawn Delton, Upper Marlboro
Tara McHenry, Prince George's County

There was no one else present who wished to speak and the hearing was concluded. The Chair called for the title of Bill No. 16-22, as amended, to be read and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

RECESS

On motion by Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, the Council took a recess from 10:27 P.M. until 10:40 P.M.

BILL NO. 16-22 (As Amended) (Continued)

Amendment No. 36

This amendment requires an Executive Director of the Police Accountability Board to be appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by resolution of the County Council; requires the Executive Director to be an attorney and manage Board staff; allows a County Executive to remove an Executive Director unless prevented by five affirmative votes of the County Council; and makes certain technical changes to the subsection.

Ms. Fiedler explained the amendment.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration supports Amendment No. 36.

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

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

Nay – None

Amendment No. 37

This amendment requires the County Executive to advertise its appointment positions to the Administrative Charging Committee for at least 30 days prior to appointment.

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

Aye –Ms. Pickard, Mr. Pruski, Ms. Lacey, Ms. Rodvien

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

Amendment No. 38

This amendment requires the Police Accountability Board to appoint, from among its voting members, the two civilian members of the Administrative Charging Committee and the civilian members of any Trial Boards, unless those members are not qualified or are unavailable to serve.

Mr. Baron stated the Administration has no opposition.

On motion of Ms. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 38 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Amendment No. 39

This amendment requires a statement of affirmation from the complainant that the contents of the complaint are true to the best of their knowledge, information, and belief.

Ms. Lacey, as sponsor, explained the amendment.

Mr. Baron stated that the Administration does not support Amendment No. 39.

On motion of Ms. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 39 was defeated by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Lacey, Ms. Rodvien

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

Amendment No. 40

This amendment requires that the review of the investigation will be completed within one year and one day after the filing or complaint by a citizen; and that a law enforcement agency must complete its investigation and review within eight months after filing of the complaint.

On motion of Ms. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 40 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Amendment No. 41

This amendment requires that a law enforcement agency respond to requests for additional information, investigation subpoenas for documents or witnesses, and review of body camera footage within ten days of the request.

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

Aye – Ms. Lacey, Ms. Rodvien

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

Amendment No. 42

This amendment allows the Police Accountability Board to review internal reports and non-publicly available data from law enforcement agencies, review evidence considered by the law enforcement agencies and the Administrative Charging Committee, and issue subpoenas, interview witnesses, or use other investigative methods as a part of their oversight duties.

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

Aye – Mr. Volke, Ms. Lacey, Ms. Rodvien

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

Amendment No. 43

This amendment requires the Executive Director of the Police Accountably Board to maintain records and a retention schedule for the Board as well as the administrative charging committee and trial boards.

On motion of Ms. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 43 was defeated by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Lacey, Ms. Rodvien

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

Amendment No. 44

This amendment adds the powers of the administrative charging committee.

On motion of Ms. Lacey, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 44 was defeated by the following roll call vote:

Aye – Ms. Lacey, Ms. Rodvien

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

Ms. Rodvien, Chair, announced that no further legislative action could be taken until the next meeting, as the Council had reached midnight.

The Chair stated that Bill No. 16-22, as amended, will be heard on Monday, April 4, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Pickard, the meeting adjourned at 11:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ann Aluisse

By Ann Aluisse

/s/ Laura Corby

For Laura Corby
Administrative Office