

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
Minutes of  
Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 8  
April 15, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

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The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Pickard at 7:00 P.M. It was opened with the Invocation, given by Mr. Smith, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 140 persons in the audience.

The following members of the County Council were present:

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| Pete Smith         | First District   |
| Allison Pickard    | Second District  |
| Nathan Volke       | Third District   |
| Julie K. Hummer    | Fourth District  |
| Amanda Fiedler     | Fifth District   |
| Lisa D.B. Rodvien  | Sixth District   |
| Shannon Leadbetter | Seventh District |

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

**ETHICS STATEMENT**

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

**INVITATION TO AUDIENCE**

The Chair opened Invitation to Audience.

The Administrative Officer stated there were four submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Invitation to Audience, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke at Invitation to Audience:

Fiona Hilyer, Glen Burnie  
Suzanne George, Pasadena  
Julie Johnson, Annapolis  
Matt Minahan, Edgewater  
Gary Muller, Jessup

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

## **PRELIMINARY MOTION**

On motion of Ms. Rodvien, seconded by Mr. Volke, 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. Rodvien, seconded by Mr. Volke, the minutes for April 1, 2024, Legislative Day No. 7, were approved as presented.

## **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**BILL NO. 27-24** – AN ORDINANCE concerning: General Development Plan – Region 4 Plan – FOR the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 4 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 4, covering Arnold, Cape St. Claire, Broadneck, Gibson Island, Pasadena, and Severna Park, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 4; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 4 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 4 Plan”.

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

**BILL NO. 28-24** – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 4 – FOR the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 4; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 4, covering Arnold, Cape St. Claire, Broadneck, Gibson Island, Pasadena, and Severna Park; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning.

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

**BILL NO. 29-24** – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Coffee Roasters – FOR the purpose of defining “coffee roaster”; adding coffee roasters as a permitted use in certain commercial, industrial, mixed-use districts, and in commercial revitalization areas in a C3 district; and generally relating to zoning.

Introduced by Mr. Volke

**BILL NO. 30-24** – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Planned Unit Developments – Community and Employment – FOR the purpose of adding grandfathering provisions related to certain applications for a planned use development; allowing “planned unit development, community” as a special exception use in certain residential districts; allowing “planned unit development, employment, located on a mining reclamation site” as a conditional use in certain residential, commercial, and industrial districts; allowing “planned unit development, employment, located in the BWI/Ft. Meade growth area” as a special exception use in W1 industrial districts; adding the conditional use requirement for “planned unit development, community”; adding the special exception use requirement for “planned unit developments, community and employment”; providing for the uses, density,

bulk regulations and other requirements of planned unit development as a special use; and generally relating to zoning.

Introduced by Mr. Smith

**BILL NO. 31-24** – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Pensions – Reemployment – Reduction of Benefits – FOR the purpose of eliminating a reduction in pension benefit during a pension recipient’s period of reemployment under certain circumstances; and generally relating to pensions.

Introduced by Mr. Smith

## **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-24** – RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Charter of Anne Arundel County to: permit the County Council to increase the minimum value of purchases and contracts subject to a simplified competitive procurement process from greater than \$5,000 to greater than \$10,000; and increase the minimum value of purchases that are required to be published on the County website from \$5,000 or greater to greater than \$10,000.

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

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

### **BILL NO. 6-24 (As Amended) AND BILL NO. 7-24 (As Amended)**

The Chair called for Bill No. 6-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 2 Plan – For the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 2 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 2, covering Annapolis Junction, Fort Meade, Hanover, Jessup, Laurel, and Maryland City, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 2; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 2 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 2 Plan”; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Bill No. 7-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 2 – For the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 2; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 2, as amended by this Ordinance, covering Annapolis Junction, Fort Meade, Hanover, Jessup, Laurel, and Maryland City; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Office of Planning and Zoning, Mark Wildonger, Office of Planning and Zoning, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for a joint public hearing on Bill No. 6-24, as amended, and Bill No. 7-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 6-24, as amended, and there was one submission of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 7-24, as amended, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 6-24, as amended, and Bill No. 7-24, as amended:

John Day, Hanover  
Tracy Day, Hanover  
Mark Comudo, Jessup  
Gary Muller, Jessup  
Kathy Souder, Jessup  
Carol Little, Hanover  
Georgie Moller, Jessup

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

The Chair called Bill No. 6-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 2 Plan; and Bill No. 7-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 2; the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Administrative Officer noted the certification for all corresponding amendments.

**AMENDMENTS TO BILL NO. 6-24(As Amended) AND BILL NO. 7-24(As Amended)**

**Amendment No. 7, Bill No. 6-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for the property known as Parcels 296 and 298 on Tax Map 8, located on 7549 Teague Road and 7553 Teague Road, Hanover, from Parks and Open Space to Public Use.*

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

Mr. Smith shared his approval of the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 7 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

#### **Amendment No. 8, Bill No. 6-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for 11 properties known as Parcels 86, 108, 166, 383, 467, and 543 on Tax Map 14, for certain properties located on and portions of Youse Avenue, Jessup and Rae Road, Hanover, from Low-Medium Density Residential to Low Density Residential.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

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

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

#### **Amendment No. 5, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for the 11 properties known as Parcels 86, 108, 166, 383, 467, and 543 on Tax Map 14, for certain properties located on and portions of Youse Avenue, Jessup and Rae Road, Hanover, from R5 - Residential to R1 - Residential.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 5 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

#### **Amendment No. 6, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for an approximately 52-acre portion of the property known as Parcel 372 on Tax Map 29, identified as Lease Parcel Z of the United States of America Fort George G. Meade, Reece Road, Ft. Meade, from R1 – Residential to C2 – Commercial Office.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

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

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

Nay – None

#### **Amendment No. 9, Bill No. 6-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for a portion of the property known as part of Lots 13 and 14, Parcel 219 on Tax Map 7, located on 7246 Forest Avenue, Hanover, from Low Density Residential to Parks and Open Space.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Mr. Smith responded.

Mr. Volke asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Kenney answered.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 9 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

#### **Amendment No. 7, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for a portion of the properties known as part of Lots 13 and 14, Parcel 219 on Tax Map 7, located on 7246 Forest Avenue, Hanover, from R1 – Residential to OS – Open Space.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Ms. Pickard spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 7 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Ms. Pickard

Nay – None

**Amendment No. 10, Bill No. 6-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for a portion of the property known as Parcel 179 on Tax Map 7, located on 7230 Forest Avenue, Hanover, from Low Density Residential to Parks and Open Space.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Ms. Hummer asked about structures.

Ms. Pompa responded.

Ms. Pickard asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Pompa answered.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 10 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Ms. Pickard

Nay – None

**Amendment No. 8, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for a portion of the property known as Parcel 179 on Tax Map 7, located on 7230 Forest Avenue, Hanover, from R1 – Residential to OS – Open Space.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 8 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Ms. Pickard

Nay – None

#### **Amendment No. 11, Bill No. 6-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for a portion of the property known as Parcel 277 on Tax Map 7, located on 7199 Ohio Avenue, Hanover, from Low Density Residential to Parks and Open Space.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Ms. Hummer asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Pompa answered.

Ms. Rodvien spoke on the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked about block voting any future amendments.

Ms. Kenney responded.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 11 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Ms. Pickard

Nay – None

**Amendment No. 9, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for a portion of the property known as Parcel 277 on Tax Map 7, located on 7199 Ohio Avenue, Hanover, from R1 – Residential to OS – Parks and Open Space.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 9 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

**Amendment No. 10, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for a property known as part of Lots 12 and 39, Parcel 265 on Tax Map 13, located on 2874 Jessup Road, Jessup, from C1 – Local Commercial to SB – Small Business.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Ms. Rodvien asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Pompa answered.

Mr. Smith responded.

Ms. Pickard asked about the use of the property.

Mr. Smith answered.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 10 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

**Amendment No. 12, Bill No. 6-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for the property known as Parcel 68 on Tax Map 13, located on 2820 Jessup Road and 2822 Jessup Road, Jessup, from Commercial to Residential.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 12 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

**Amendment No. 11, Bill No. 7-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning for the property known as Parcel 68 on Tax Map 13, located on 2820 Jessup Road and 2822 Jessup Road, Jessup, from C1 – Local Commercial to R1 – Residential.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Volke, Amendment No. 11 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 6-24 and Bill No. 7-24, as amended, would be heard on May 1, 2024.

Mr. Smith spoke on additional properties.

**BILL NO. 8-24 (As Amended) AND BILL NO. 9-24 (As Amended)**

The Chair called for Bill No. 8-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 7 Plan – For the purpose of adopting the “Anne Arundel County Region 7 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance, the region plan for Region Planning Area No. 7, covering Parole, Greater Annapolis, Annapolis Neck, Bay Ridge, Highland Beach and Riva, which includes visions, themes, goals, policies, planned land use maps, and implementation strategies for Region 7; amending “Plan2040”, the County’s General Development Plan, by the “Anne Arundel County Region 7 Plan”, as amended by this Ordinance; and generally relating to the “Anne Arundel County Region 7 Plan”; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Bill No. 9-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 7 – For the purpose of repealing certain comprehensive zoning maps for Region Planning Area No. 7; adopting the Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer for Region Planning Area No. 7, as amended by this Ordinance, covering Parole, Greater Annapolis, Annapolis Neck, Bay Ridge, Highland Beach, and Riva; and generally relating to comprehensive zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Office of Planning and Zoning, Cindy Carrier, Office of Planning and Zoning, Patrick Hughes, Office of Planning and Zoning, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for the joint public hearing on Bill No. 8-24, as amended, and Bill No. 9-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 8-24, as amended, and there were sixteen submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 9-24, as amended, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 8-24, as amended, and Bill No. 9-24, as amended:

Stephen Schulman, Annapolis  
Michael Snelgrove, Annapolis  
John Lagrotteria, Annapolis  
Nancy Guy, Annapolis  
Jesse Iliff, Annapolis  
Brit Grizwold, Annapolis  
Judy Wegal, Annapolis  
Kaitlyn Hood  
Dorothy Guy, Annapolis  
Owen Smith, Annapolis  
Kevin Sullivan, Annapolis  
Dave, Annapolis

Mark Comudo, Jessup  
Mary Guy, Annapolis  
Melanie Rita, Annapolis

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

The Chair called Bill No. 8-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: General Development Plan – Region 7 Plan; and Bill No. 9-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Comprehensive Zoning – Region 7; the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Administrative Officer noted the certification for all corresponding amendments.

**AMENDMENTS TO BILL NO. 8-24(As Amended) AND BILL NO. 9-24(As Amended)**

**Amendment No. 4, Bill No. 8-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This technical amendment corrects erroneous or missing words in the Region 7 Plan.*

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

On motion of Ms. Rodvien, seconded by Mr. Smith, Amendment No. 4 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

**Amendment No. 5, Bill No. 8-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the planned land use for the properties known as Parcels 158 and 159 on Tax Map 45H, located at (no number) Willow Road and 2 Willow Road, Annapolis, from Low Density Residential to Commercial.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Mr. Smith asked the position of the Administration.

Ms. Pompa responded.

Ms. Rodvien spoke on the amendment.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 5 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – Ms. Rodvien, Mr. Smith

#### **Amendment No. 2, Bill No. 9-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment changes the zoning of the property known as Parcels 158 and 159 on Tax Map 45H, located at (no number) Willow Road and 2 Willow Road, Annapolis, from R2 – Residential to SB – Small Business.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Ms. Rodvien expressed her opposition to the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Fiedler, Amendment No. 2 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – Ms. Rodvien, Mr. Smith

#### **Amendment No. 6, Bill No. 8-24**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment requires a Sector Plan for Ridgely Avenue to include input from residents and other stakeholders.*

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

Ms. Pompa commented.

Ms. Rodvien spoke on the amendment.

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

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 8-24, as amended, and Bill No. 9-24, as amended, would be heard on May 6, 2024.

### **RECESS**

The Council recessed at 9:16 P.M.

### **CONVENE**

The Council reconvened at 9:25 P.M.

### **BILL NO. 16-24 (As Amended)**

The Chair called for Bill No. 16-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Uses – Food Service Facilities – Outdoor Seating Related to Food and Beverage Service – For the purpose of allowing certain food service facilities to continue to utilize outdoor seating related to food and beverage service under certain circumstances; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 16-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were seven submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 16-24, as amended, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 16-24, as amended:

Nancy Guy, Annapolis  
Mark Comudo, Jessup

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

The Chair called Bill No. 16-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Uses – Food Service Facilities – Outdoor Seating Related to Food and Beverage Service; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

## **Amendment No. 2**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment removes the prohibition on outdoor seating at food service facilities that are less than 100 feet from a residential property.*

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

Mr. Hunt commented.

Ms. Leadbetter responded.

Ms. Rodvien shared her position on the amendment.

Ms. Fiedler spoke on the amendment.

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

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

Nay – Mr. Volke, Ms. Rodvien

The Chair stated that Bill No. 16-24, as amended, would be heard on May 6, 2024.

## **BILL NO. 17-24 (As Amended)**

The Chair called for Bill No. 17-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Adult Independent Dwelling Units – For the purpose of modifying the definition of “adult independent dwelling unit”; clarifying the allowed use of adult independent dwelling units in certain residential districts; adding multifamily dwellings and townhouse dwellings as a conditional use in certain residential districts; modifying the conditional uses of multifamily dwellings and townhouse dwellings in certain districts; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 17-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 17-24, as amended.

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

The Chair called Bill No. 17-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Adult Independent Dwelling Units; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

### **Amendment No. 2**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment removes minimum site area requirements for R10, R15 and R22.*

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

The Administration supports.

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

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

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

### **Amendment No. 3**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This technical amendment corrects a typographical error in a section number.*

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

On motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 3 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 17-24, as amended, would be heard on May 6, 2024.

### **BILL NO. 20-24 (As Amended)**

The Chair called for Bill No. 20-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Mixed Use Districts – Requirements for Conditional Uses – BWI/Fort Meade Growth Area – Multifamily Residential Uses – For the purpose of allowing certain sites in the BWI/Fort Meade Growth Area to develop multifamily dwellings in place of nonresidential uses under certain conditions in mixed use and certain commercial zoning districts; establishing the conditions and density for multifamily development in place of certain commercial use requirements; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 20-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 20-24, as amended.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 20-24, as amended:

Jonathan Attman, Glen Burnie  
Kinley Bray, Columbia  
Mark Comudo, Jessup  
Matt Minahan, Edgewater  
Mary Guy, Annapolis

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

The Chair called Bill No. 20-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Mixed Use Districts – Requirements for Conditional Uses – BWI/Fort Meade Growth Area – Multifamily Residential Uses; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Pickard addressed the public testimony.

Mr. Smith spoke on the bill.

Bill No. 20-24, as amended, was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

## **BILL NO. 21-24**

The Chair called for Bill No. 21-24, An Ordinance concerning: General Provisions – Equity and Human Rights – Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Human Relations Commission – For the purpose of providing a method of enforcing an administrative subpoena; defining certain terms relating to equity and human rights and the Human Relations Commission; stating the public policy and purpose for anti-discrimination provisions; providing for preemption of certain discrimination complaints; providing for enforcement of violations of anti-discrimination provisions; adding protections against discrimination in public accommodations and employment; revising certain requirements for membership on the Human Relations Commission; modifying the powers and duties of the Human Relations Officer; modifying the powers and duties of the Human Relations Commission to include complaints regarding discrimination in employment and public accommodations; and requiring an annual report by the Human Relations Commission; modifying the time for filing of a complaint alleging discrimination; providing for the process and time for filing of an answer to a complaint of discrimination; modifying the process for initial

review of a complaint of discrimination; establishing a process for investigation, referral, and hearings on complaints for discrimination; requiring the rules of procedure of the Human Relations Commission to be posted its website; providing for civil fines for violations of anti-discrimination provisions; providing for enforcement of orders issued by the Human Relations Commission; and generally relating to general provisions and boards, commissions, and similar bodies; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Asha Smith, OEHR, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

Ms. Smith spoke on the bill.

Mr. Volke asked clarifying questions.

Ms. Smith answered.

Ms. Fiedler asked about the work load of other jurisdictions.

Ms. Smith responded.

There was further discussion on the bill.

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

The Administrative Officer stated there was one submission of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 21-24, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 21-24:

Nancy Guy, Annapolis  
Ben Barlow, Annapolis

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

The Chair called Bill No. 21-24, An Ordinance concerning: General Provisions – Equity and Human Rights – Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Human Relations Commission; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Hummer spoke on the public testimony.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the goal of the bill.

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

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

### **BILL NO. 22-24**

The Chair called for Bill No. 22-24, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Adequate School Facilities – School Utilization Chart – For the purpose of approving the “School Utilization Chart, 2024” prepared by the Planning and Zoning Officer; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, Kyle Ruef, Board of Education, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

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

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

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

The Chair called Bill No. 22-24, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Adequate School Facilities – School Utilization Chart; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

### **Amendment No. 1**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment substitutes the exhibit to include an explanatory footnote.*

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

Ms. Rodvien expressed her thanks for the amendment.

Ms. Fiedler and Ms. Hummer spoke on the amendment.

Ms. Pickard shared her support of the amendment.

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

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 22-24, as amended, would be heard on May 6, 2024.

### **BILL NO. 23-24**

The Chair called for Bill No. 23-24, An Ordinance concerning: Pensions – Inter-plan Transfers – Deputy Police Chief – For the purpose of authorizing a retiree who was a participant in the Police Service Retirement Plan who was appointed Deputy Police Chief between January 1, 2015, and December 31, 2015, to transfer between the Employees’ and Police Service Retirement Plans under certain circumstances; requiring the pension benefit of a Deputy Police Chief who elects to transfer certain credited service from the Employees’ Retirement Plan to the Police Service Retirement Plan to be recalculated on the date the Deputy Police Chief terminates employment with the County; providing for the termination of this Ordinance; and generally relating to pensions; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Anne Budowski, Personnel, Kelly Lovett, Personnel, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Ms. Hummer asked clarifying questions.

Ms. Kenney responded.

Ms. Rodvien asked about similar legislation.

Ms. Kenney answered.

There was further discussion of the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 23-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were three submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 23-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 23-24:

Ben Barlow, Annapolis  
Rev. Stephen Tillett, Severn  
Rev. Sheryl Menendez, Glen Burnie

Rev. Carletta Allen, Annapolis  
Rev. James Bishop, Pasadena  
Deputy Chief Jerard Flemings, Annapolis  
Obie Atkinson, Annapolis

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

The Chair called Bill No. 23-24, An Ordinance concerning: Pensions – Inter-plan Transfers – Deputy Police Chief; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

On motion by Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Hummer, the motion to hold the vote on Bill No. 23-24 until May 1, 2024 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Mr. Smith spoke on holding the bill.

Ms. Pickard responded.

#### **BILL NO. 26-24**

The Chair called for Bill No. 26-24, An EMERGENCY ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Amendments to Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance – Notice – For the purpose of exempting certain amendments to a comprehensive zoning ordinance from the notice requirements; making this Ordinance an emergency measure; and generally relating to zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Mr. Smith gave a presentation on amending Comprehensive Zoning.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Christina Pompa, Office of Planning and Zoning, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Ms. Pompa commented on the bill.

Ms. Pickard responded.

Mr. Smith gave an example of rezoning.

Ms. Fiedler asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Pompa answered.

Ms. Pickard expressed her concern on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 26-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were twenty-four submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 26-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 26-24:

Nancy Guy, Annapolis  
Cynthia Pugh Givens, Owings Mills  
Brit Grizwold, Annapolis  
Matt Minahan, Edgewater  
Gary Muller, Jessup  
Mary Guy, Annapolis  
John Allexy, Jessup  
Mark Comudo, Jessup  
Katie Fox

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

The Chair called Bill No. 26-24, An EMERGENCY ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Amendments to Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance – Notice; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Rodvien spoke on retaining.

Ms. Pickard responded.

### **Amendment No. 1**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This amendment requires a change of zoning proposed by an amendment to comprehensive zoning to be posted on the subject property and the County Council website for 10 days.*

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

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

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

Ms. Rodvien spoke on changing the timeframe to fourteen days.

Bill No. 26-24 was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Mr. Volke responded to Ms. Rodvien.

Ms. Pickard spoke on the extended timeframe.

Ms. Leadbetter shared her view on the topic.

Ms. Fiedler thanked those involved.

Ms. Hummer spoke on public testimonies.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CALL OF RESOLUTION FOR FINAL READING AND/OR VOTE**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 13-24**

The Chair called for Resolution No. 13-24, A Resolution confirming the appointments of residents of the County to serve on the Pension Oversight Commission for Anne Arundel County; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Resolution No. 13-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Resolution No. 13-24.

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 13-24, A Resolution confirming the appointments of residents of the County to serve on the Pension Oversight Commission for Anne Arundel County; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Resolution No. 13-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

### **RESOLUTION NO. 14-24**

The Chair called for Resolution No. 14-24, A Resolution confirming the appointments of members of the classified service to serve on the Pension Oversight Commission; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Resolution No. 14-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Resolution No. 14-24.

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 14-24, A Resolution confirming the appointments of members of the classified service to serve on the Pension Oversight Commission; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

### **Amendment No. 1**

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

*This technical amendment corrects a missing word and an erroneous word.*

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

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

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

Resolution No. 14-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Ms. Pickard thanked those who work on boards and commissions.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Council discussed the start time for the May 1<sup>st</sup> legislative meeting, and it was agreed to be 6:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

By Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

For Kaley Schultze  
Administrative Officer