

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
Minutes of
FY 2025 Budget Public Hearing
May 22, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers

The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Pickard at 7:00 P.M. It was opened with the Invocation, given by Ms. Fiedler, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 20 persons in the audience.

The following members of the County Council were present:

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

PRELIMINARY MOTION

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

READING OF BUDGET LEGISLATION

BILL NO. 33-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Anne Arundel County – FOR the purpose of adopting the County Budget, consisting of the Current Expense Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the Capital Program for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2025, June 30, 2026, June 30, 2027, June 30, 2028, June 30, 2029, and June 30, 2030; and appropriating funds for all expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.

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

BILL NO. 34-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Special Community Benefit Districts, Shore Erosion Control Districts, and Waterways Improvement Districts – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for special community benefit districts, shore erosion control districts, and waterways improvement districts required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

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

BILL NO. 35-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Arundel Gateway Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Arundel Gateway Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 36-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Arundel Mills Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Arundel Mills Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 37-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Dorchester Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Arundel Mills Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 38-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Farmington Village Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Farmington Village Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 39-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – National Business Park Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the National Business Park Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 40-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – National Business Park-North Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the National Business Park-North Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 41-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Two Rivers Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Two Rivers Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 42-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Tax Levies – Village South at Waugh Chapel Special Taxing District – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing the tax rates for the Village South at Waugh Chapel Special Taxing District required by the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 43-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Fee for Switched Local Exchange Access Service, CMRS, and Other 9-1-1-Accessible Service – FOR the purpose of increasing the County fee for switched local exchange access service, commercial mobile radio service, and other 9-1-1-accessible service.

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

BILL NO. 44-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Construction Code – Department of Inspections and Permits – Fees – FOR the purpose of modifying certain permit, investigation, application, inspection, reinspection, and renewal fees collected by the Department of Inspections and Permits; modifying the limit on refunds related to certain unissued permits; modifying the penalty for occupancy without a certificate of occupancy; providing for automatic adjustment of certain fees under the Construction Code and of grading permit fees; making certain technical and stylistic changes; providing for the effective date; and generally relating to fees collected by the Department of Inspections and Permits.

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

BILL NO. 45-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Metered Water and Wastewater Charges – FOR the purpose of modifying metered water and wastewater charges; providing for the effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to utilities.

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

BILL NO. 46-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Solid Waste Collection – Solid Waste Service Charge – Solid Waste Landfill and Facility Delivery Fees – FOR the purpose of modifying the solid waste service charge; modifying certain charges for delivery of solid waste to a landfill or waste disposal facility; providing for the effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to the solid waste service charge.

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

BILL NO. 47-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Income Tax – FOR the purpose of modifying County income tax rates; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to finance, taxation, and budget.

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

BILL NO. 48-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Property Tax and Semiannual Payment Service Charge – FOR the purpose of levying and imposing a property tax for the use of Anne Arundel County for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; fixing the rate of the County property tax for the taxable year; and establishing the service charge to be paid by a property owner electing to pay real property taxes and all other taxes and charges billed on the real property tax bill under a semiannual payment schedule.

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

BILL NO. 53-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Water and Wastewater – Capital Facility Recoupment Charge – Capital Facility Connection Charges – For the purpose of modifying the capital facility recoupment charge for certain water

usage; modifying the capital facility connection charges for water and wastewater; and generally relating to public works and utilities.

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

BUDGET REMARKS

Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, gave an overview of the County Executive's budget for Fiscal year 2025. (A copy of Mr. Trumbauer's statement is available in the County Council office.)

Skip Auld, Chief Executive Officer, Anne Arundel County Public Library, spoke on the County Executive's budget for Fiscal year 2025. Linda Gale, student member of Library Board of Trustees, also spoke.

Nicole Disney-Bates, President of the Teachers Association of Anne Arundel County, spoke on the County Executive's budget for Fiscal year 2025.

PUBLIC HEARING

The following persons spoke on the Fiscal Year 2025 County Executive's Budget:

Carrie Moran, Severna Park
Barbara McSherny, Severna Park
Jillian Orme, Odenton
Elimatan Nelson, Annapolis
Will Johnson, Laurel
Maria Cote, Gambrills
Philip Ateto
Maria Harbor, Severna Park
Paul Sundell, Severna Park

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Mr. Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

By: Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

For: Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer