

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
Minutes of
Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 18
October 7, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

MDOT CTP TOUR

Ms. Pickard, Chair, welcomed those in attendance.

Paul Wiedefeld, Secretary, TSO, Holly Arnold, Administrator, MTA, Bruce Gartner, Executive Director, MDTA, Will Pines, Administrator, SHA, Leslie Dews, Deputy Administrator Field Operations, MVA, Ricky Smith, Sr., Executive Director/CEO, MAA, and Jonathan Daniels, Executive Director, MPA, briefly gave an update for each division.

County Executive Steuart Pittman gave a presentation for MDOT CTP.

The Council asked clarifying questions to the MDOT panel.

Arjan van Andel, Chair of the Transportation Committee, spoke on his concerns for the light rail system.

Jon Korin, Anne Arundel County Bicycle Advisory Commission, spoke on completing bicycle projects.

BREAK

The Council took a break at 7:04 P.M. to prepare for the legislative meeting.

RECONVENE

The Council reconvened at 7:20 PM.

The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Pickard at 7:20 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 110 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 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 two 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:

Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Rob Cohen, Glen Burnie
Kate Fox, Davidsonville
James Holman, Glen Burnie
Gary Mauler, 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. Hummer, seconded by Ms. Leadbetter, the minutes for September 16, 2024, Legislative Day No. 17.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL NO. 78-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Subdivision and Development – Road Design – FOR the purpose of amending certain road design requirements; adding grandfathering provisions applicable to certain development applications; amending road design provisions to apply to site development applications; clarifying design and construction requirements for public roads; exempting certain public roads from road design requirements; requiring improvement and dedication of property for certain development applications; removing repetitive language regarding road improvement requirements for certain cluster developments; providing for the acquisition of property by

the County in certain circumstances; amending road requirements for certain zoning districts; clarifying design and declaration requirements for private roads; and generally relating to subdivision and development.

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 79-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Personnel – Modification of Classification Plan – Positions in the Classified Service – Police Department – FOR the purpose of approving a modification to the Classification Plan formulated and maintained by the Personnel Officer; decreasing a position in the classified service in the Police Department and increasing a position in the classified service in the Police Department; and generally relating to personnel.

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 80-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Charges and Assessments for Water and Wastewater – Affordable Dwelling Units – FOR the purpose of exempting affordable dwelling units from a portion of capital facility connection charges under certain circumstances; and generally related to public works.

Introduced by Ms. Pickard

BILL NO. 81-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Industrial Districts – Electric Vehicle Repair – Electric Vehicle Towing and Storage – FOR the purpose of defining “electric vehicle repair” and “electric vehicle towing and storage”; allowing electric vehicle repair and electric vehicle towing and storage as conditional uses in industrial zones; and generally relating to zoning.

Introduced by Ms. Pickard

BILL NO. 82-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Real Property Taxes – Tax Credits Retired Veterans – FOR the purpose of repealing the assessed value limit on the principal residence for eligibility; adding a provision in the calculation of certain tax credit to apply to part of the total assessed value; and generally relating to real property tax credits.

Introduced by Mr. Smith

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 39-24 – RESOLUTION approving Anne Arundel County’s 2024 Financial Assurance Plan for compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

RESOLUTION NO. 40-24 – RESOLUTION endorsing financial assistance from the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Fund to Allied Trading, Inc., doing business as PwrQ

Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair

(by request of the County Executive)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 38-24

The Chair called for Resolution No. 38-24, A Resolution supporting the passage and enrollment of the Maryland Railway Safety Act; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Hummer, and Mr. Smith requested to be added as co-sponsors.

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

Ms. Schultze read the resolution as a whole.

The Administration supports.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Resolution No. 38-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Resolution No. 38-24.

The following person spoke on Resolution No. 38-24:

David Pendleton, Annapolis

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 38-24, A Resolution supporting the passage and enrollment of the Maryland Railway Safety Act; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Resolution No. 38-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

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

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

BILL NO. 66-24 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 66-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Approval of the revised Amended and Restated Lease between Anne Arundel County, Maryland and Wiley Bates School LLC – For the purpose of authorizing the revised Amended and Restated Lease of a portion of County-owned property in Annapolis, Maryland, known and designated as Wiley H.

Bates High School, Smithville Street and South Villa Avenue, to Wiley Bates School LLC; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Chris Daniels, Real Estate, 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. 66-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 66-24, as amended.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 66-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Approval of the revised Amended and Restated Lease between Anne Arundel County, Maryland and Wiley Bates School LLC; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 66-24, as amended, was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 68-24

The Chair called for Bill No. 68-24, An Ordinance concerning: Payment in Lieu of Taxes – College Parkway Place, Annapolis, Maryland – Amendment – For the purpose of authorizing the County Executive to enter into a certain amendment to the agreement for payment in lieu of County real property taxes for a certain property located in Annapolis, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Erin Karpewicz, ACDS, Kathy Ebner, ACDS, Billie Penley, Office of Finance, Brian Schenck, Office of Finance, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

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

Ms. Fiedler asked about the closing date.

Ms. Karpewicz answered.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 68-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 68-24.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 68-24, An Ordinance concerning: Payment in Lieu of Taxes – College Parkway Place, Annapolis, Maryland – Amendment; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Pickard spoke on the bill.

Bill No. 68-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

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

BILL NO. 69-24

The Chair called for Bill No. 69-24, An Ordinance concerning: Payment in Lieu of Taxes – The Villages at Marley Station, Glen Burnie, Maryland – Second Amendment – For the purpose of authorizing the County Executive to enter into a certain second amendment to the agreement for payment in lieu of County real property taxes for a certain property located in Glen Burnie, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Erin Karpewicz, ACDS, Kathy Ebner, ACDS, Billie Penley, Office of Finance, Brian Schenck, Office of Finance, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

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

Ms. Pickard thanked Fairfield members for coming to the meeting and spoke on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 69-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 69-24.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 69-24, An Ordinance concerning: Payment in Lieu of Taxes – The Villages at Marley Station, Glen Burnie, Maryland – Second Amendment; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Rodvien asked about the consequences if the pilot renewal was not passed.

Ms. Karpewicz responded.

Ms. Rodvien asked what would happen to the tenants.

Ms. Ebner answered.

Bill No. 69-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

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

BILL NO. 70-24

The Chair called for Bill No. 70-24, An Ordinance concerning: Crimes, Civil Offenses, and Fines – Crimes – Miscellaneous Prohibited Act – Second Amendment – For the purpose of defining “recreational vehicle”; prohibiting the use of a recreational vehicle on a highway as a dwelling; allowing sanctions for a violation; and generally relating to crimes, civil offenses, and fines; 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 Captain Tim Schultz, Police Department, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

Ms. Hummer asked about penalties.

Mr. Schultz answered.

Ms. Hummer asked clarifying questions.

Mr. Schultz responded.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 70-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 70-24.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 70-24:

Kary Alpervitz Pershell, Rockville

Steve Miller, Annapolis

Kathy Gosnow, Annapolis

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 70-24, An Ordinance concerning: : Crimes, Civil Offenses, and Fines – Crimes – Miscellaneous Prohibited Act – Second Amendment; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Fiedler clarified there are big box stores that allow overnight parking.

Bill No. 70-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Hummer, Ms. Pickard

BILL NO. 71-24

The Chair called for Bill No. 71-24, An Ordinance concerning: Licenses and Registrations – Second-Hand Dealer License – Second-Hand Sales – For the purpose of amending the definition of “second-hand dealer” to exempt the sale of certain goods requiring a license; and generally related to licenses and registrations; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

The Administration supports.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 71-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 71-24.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 71-24, An Ordinance concerning: Licenses and Registrations – Second-Hand Dealer License – Second-Hand Sales; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 71-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 72-24

The Chair called for Bill No. 72-24, An Ordinance concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Public Works – Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Housing Attainability Act of 2024 – FOR the purpose of modifying fees paid into the Housing Trust Special Revenue Fund; exempting moderately priced dwelling units from a certain percentage of capital facility connection charges; adding, deleting, and modifying references to open areas, open space, and recreation areas; modifying the definition of “site”; applying prior provisions to applications and permits filed before a certain date; modifying the requirements for a

sketch plan application, final plan application, preliminary plan, and site development plan; modifying references from “net density” to “density”; allowing offsite recreation and adding requirements therefor; adding and modifying requirements for active recreation areas; modifying parking requirements where off-site parking is prohibited; adding development impact fee credits for moderately priced dwelling units; adopting new Title 12, entitled “Moderately Priced Dwelling Units” in the Subdivision and Development Article of the Code; defining certain terms; providing for the applicability of the new title; requiring the establishment of moderately priced dwelling units in certain residential developments; allowing for payment of a fee in lieu of providing moderately priced dwelling units under certain circumstances; requiring an application and agreement with specified terms for a residential development required to include moderately priced dwelling units; providing for the applicability and modification of bulk regulations for moderately priced dwelling units; establishing eligibility requirements for purchase or rental of moderately priced dwelling units; providing a method for establishing sale and rental prices for moderately priced dwelling units; providing the method of initial and subsequent sale and rental of moderately priced dwelling units; requiring income review and information for continued eligibility to rent moderately priced dwelling units; providing for notice and disposition of proceeds from foreclosure proceedings related to moderately priced dwelling units; requiring covenants for moderately priced dwelling units; permitting bulk transfers of moderately priced dwelling units under certain circumstances; providing for the conversion of rental moderately priced dwelling unit to condominiums or cooperatives; permitting the program administrator to waive certain requirements of the new title under certain conditions; providing a right of appeal; requiring the program administrator to report certain information to the County Executive and County Council; modifying the definitions of duplex, townhouse, and multifamily dwelling units, and the definition of open area; adding definitions of triplex, fourplex, multiplex, and stacked townhouse dwelling units; removing the definition of and provisions relating to semi-detached dwelling units; adding and modifying parking requirements for various dwelling types; modifying the use chart and bulk regulations for existing and new dwelling unit types in residential zoning districts; modifying the use chart for existing and new dwelling types in commercial, mixed use, and other zoning districts; modifying the open area requirement in Town Center Districts; modifying and adding conditional use requirements for duplex, triplex, fourplex, multiplex, multifamily, townhouse, and stacked townhouse dwelling units; modifying special exception requirements for assisted living facilities; removing special exception requirements for duplex and semi-detached dwellings; providing for a density bonus for developments containing moderately priced dwelling units under certain circumstances; modifying uses in commercial revitalization areas; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to finance, taxation, and budget, public works, subdivision and development, and zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ms. Hummer spoke on the bill.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Janssen Evelyn, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Land Use, Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, Erin Karpewicz, ACDS, Erik Michelsen, Department of Public Works, Kelly Kenney, Office of Law, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Mr. Evelyn read a statement from the County Executive.

Ms. Pickard asked clarifying questions.

Mr. Evelyn and Mr. Michelsen answered.

Ms. Pickard spoke on the workgroup.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 72-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were one hundred thirty-four submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 72-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 72-24:

Matthew Johnston, Edgewater
Trudy McFall, Annapolis
Dr. Linda Hanifin Bonner, Annapolis
Rev. Stephen Tillet, Annapolis
Priscilla Kania, Annapolis
Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Adriana Kidder, Davidsonville
Melanie Hartwig-Davis, Edgewater
Sarah Knebel, Annapolis
Matthew Pipkin, Annapolis
Abby Root, Odenton
Steven Waddy, Annapolis
V.K. Holtzendorf, Shady Side
Kristina Korona, Baltimore
Stephen Miller, Annapolis
John Flood, Annapolis
Jim Holman, Glen Burnie
Timothy Stern, Crownsville
Matt Minahan, GAN
Thornell Jones, Arnold
Debra Gundry, Annapolis
Gary Mauler, Jessup

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 72-24, An Ordinance concerning: Finance, Taxation, and Budget – Public Works – Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Housing Attainability Act of 2024; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Rodvien responded to the public hearing and spoke on the bill.

Mr. Smith asked clarifying questions.

Ms. Miller and Mr. Evelyn responded.

Ms. Hummer spoke on the bill.

Ms. Pickard thanked all who worked on the bill.

Ms. Hummer thanked those involved in the bill.

Bill No. 72-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, the meeting adjourned at 9:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

By Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

For Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer