

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
Minutes of
Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 20
November 4, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

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. Hummer, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 35 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:

Jim Bongiorno, Annapolis
Matt Scofield, Churchton

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

PRELIMINARY MOTION

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, 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 Ms. Leadbetter, the minutes for October 21, 2024, Legislative Day No. 19.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL NO. 86-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Approval of Cable Franchises – Starpower Communications, LLC (doing business as Astound Broadband), Comcast of Maryland, LLC, and Verizon Maryland LLC – FOR the purpose of approving the extension of the cable franchise agreements with Starpower Communications, LLC (doing business as Astound Broadband) (“Astound”), Comcast of Maryland, LLC (“Comcast”), and Verizon Maryland LLC (“Verizon”) (collectively, the “franchisees”) to December 31, 2026; and generally relating to cable franchises.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 87-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Current Expense Budget – Supplementary Appropriation – Severn Grove Special Community Benefit District – FOR the purpose of providing an appropriation of funds from unanticipated revenues for the Severn Grove Special Community Benefit District for the current fiscal year; and generally relating to making supplementary appropriations of funds to the current expense budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

BILL NO. 88-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: the authorization of the issuance, sale and delivery by Anne Arundel County, Maryland from time to time of special taxing district obligation refunding bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 to be secured by special taxes to refund all or a portion of the County’s Special Tax District Bonds (The Villages at Two Rivers Project), Series 2014; and the determination of certain terms and provisions in connection with the issuance, sale and payment of such bonds – FOR the purpose of authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery by Anne Arundel County, Maryland (“County”) from time to time pursuant to Sections 21-501 through 21-523, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement) and Sections 4-8-101 through 4-8-106, inclusive, of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) (together, the “Special Taxing District Act”) and this Ordinance of special obligation refunding bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 to refund all or a portion of the County’s Special Taxing District Bonds (The Villages at Two Rivers Project), Series 2014 (the “Refunding Bonds”) in order to achieve debt service savings for the County in each

year on a direct comparison basis; making certain findings and determinations, among others, concerning the public benefit and purpose of such Refunding Bonds; providing that the Refunding Bonds shall be payable from the Two Rivers Special Tax levied and deposited in the Two Rivers Special Taxing District Fund created pursuant to Bill No. 85-10, adopted by the County Council of the County (the “County Council”) on October 18, 2010, approved by the County Executive of the County (the “County Executive”) on October 22, 2010, and effective, by its terms, on December 6, 2010 (“Bill No. 85-10”); providing that the Refunding Bonds shall not constitute a general obligation debt of the County or a pledge of the County’s full faith and credit or taxing power other than the Two Rivers Special Tax pursuant to the Special Taxing District Act, Bill No. 85-10 and this Ordinance; providing that the Refunding Bonds may be sold at private (negotiated) sale; providing that the Refunding Bonds may be issued on a consolidated basis; providing for the creation of separate debt service reserve funds for the Refunding Bonds, if deemed necessary at the recommendation of the financial advisor to the County or the underwriter for the Refunding Bonds, and the payment of costs and expenses related to the issuance of the Refunding Bonds; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for and approve certain details, forms, documents and procedures in connection with the Refunding Bonds issued hereunder and any other matters necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and payment of the Refunding Bonds; authorizing the County Executive to take certain actions, execute certain documents and make certain commitments on behalf of the County in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Refunding Bonds; and generally providing for and determining various matters in connection with the issuance, sale, delivery and payment of the Refunding Bonds.

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

BILL NO. 89-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Current Expense Budget – Board of Education – Supplementary Appropriation – FOR the purpose of making supplementary appropriations from unanticipated revenues to the Local Education Fund for the current fiscal year; and generally relating to supplementary appropriations to the current expense budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

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

BILL NO. 90-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Capital Budget and Program – Roads and Bridges, Traffic Control, Board of Education, and Recreation and Parks capital projects – Supplementary and Transfer of Appropriations – FOR the purpose of amending the Capital Budget for the current fiscal year by making a transfer of appropriations within certain Recreation and Parks, and Roads and Bridges capital projects; amending the Capital Budget for the current fiscal year by making supplementary appropriation of funds to certain Traffic Control and Board of Education capital projects; amending the Capital Program and Capital Projects Bond Ordinance for the current fiscal year; and generally relating to appropriations of funds in projects in the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

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

BILL NO. 91-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Requirements for Conditional Uses – Home Occupations – FOR the purpose of removing the minimum lot size for pet care businesses; and generally related to zoning.
Introduced by Ms. Fiedler

BILL NO. 92-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Safety – Miscellaneous Provisions – Plastic Bags Prohibited – FOR the purpose of removing the requirement to charge for plastic bags; removing the requirement of retail establishments to provide free reusable carryout bags during certain dates; removing the violation of failure to charge, collect, or retain fees per bag; and generally related to public safety.
Introduced by Ms. Leadbetter

Mr. Volke and Ms. Fiedler requested to be added as co-sponsors to Bill No. 92-24.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 47-24

The Chair called for Resolution No. 47-24, A Resolution supporting the Anne Arundel County Board of Education's Fiscal Year 2026 Public School Construction Capital Improvement Program request for submission to the Interagency Commission on School Construction; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, Kyle Ruef, Director of Facilities, AACPS, Dr. Bill Heiser, AACPS, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

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

Mr. Ruef spoke on the resolution.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Resolution No. 47-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Resolution No. 47-24.

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 47-24, A Resolution supporting the Anne Arundel County Board of Education's Fiscal Year 2026 Public School Construction Capital Improvement Program request for submission to the Interagency Commission on School Construction; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Pickard asked about the Facility Strategic Plan.

Mr. Ruef responded.

Amendment No.1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment replaces Exhibit A with Exhibit A-1.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

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

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

Nay – None

Resolution No. 47-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

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

BILL NO. 73-24 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 73-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Carrollton Manor Special Community Benefit District – For the purpose of modifying the purposes of the Carrollton Manor Special Community Benefit District; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

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

The Chair stated the public hearing was closed for Bill No. 73-24, as amended.

Ms. Fiedler spoke on the reasoning behind holding the bill at the last meeting.

Bill No. 73-24, as amended, was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 75-24 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 75-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Development – Mixed Use Districts – For the purpose of providing certain standards for an administrative rezoning of certain properties to a mixed use district; adding grandfathering provisions applicable to certain development applications; establishing certain development and design standards for development in mixed use districts; establishing a minimum site area for certain sites to be developed as mixed use development; renaming the existing mixed use districts and creating a new mixed use district; adding purpose statements for the mixed use districts; establishing the permitted, conditional, and special exception uses in the mixed use districts; requiring a combination of uses on certain mixed use development sites; establishing certain bulk regulations, open area, and parking requirements for mixed use districts; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to boards, commissions, and similar bodies, subdivision and development, and zoning; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, Janssen Evelyn, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Land Use, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 75-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 75-24, as amended.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 75-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Subdivision and Development – Zoning – Development – Mixed Use Districts; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Amendment No.5

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment provides that any use lawfully in existence in a mixed use district prior to the effective date of this Ordinance may continue under certain circumstances.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked for clarification on the amendment.

Mr. Swain answered.

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

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

Amendment No.6

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment replaces the use chart for the mixed use districts.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Mr. Smith thanked the Administration for their work.

Mr. Volke asked for context on the red-line chart.

Ms. Miller responded.

Mr. Volke asked about an example from the chart.

Ms. Miller answered.

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

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 75-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on November 18, 2024.

BILL NO. 76-24 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 76-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Maritime Districts – Neighborhood Marina Zoning District – For the purpose of amending the conditional use requirements for marina caretaker's residence dwelling unit size; and generally relating to zoning; 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 Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

The Administration supports.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 76-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 76-24, as amended.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 76-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Maritime Districts – Neighborhood Marina Zoning District; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 76-24, as amended, was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 77-24 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 77-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Licenses and Registrations – Towing Companies – For the purpose of defining “heavy-duty towing” and “light-duty towing”; establishing tow truck, equipment, and response requirements for heavy-duty police-initiated towing and light-duty police-initiated towing; establishing separate tow rotation lists for heavy-duty police-initiated towing and light-duty police-initiated towing; and generally relating to police-initiated towing; 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 Greg Swain, Office of Law.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 77-24, as amended.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 77-24, as amended.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 77-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Licenses and Registrations – Towing Companies; 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 requirement for a towing company with a license to conduct light-duty police-initiated towing to have a wrecker with a boom.

Mr. Volke explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Nay – None

Amendment No.3

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This technical amendment corrects the general reference in the purpose paragraph and corrects a reference to the director.

Mr. Volke explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 77-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on November 18, 2024.

BILL NO. 78-24

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning, Sarah Fowler, Office of Planning and Zoning, Janssen Evelyn, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Land Use, Raghu Badami, Inspections and Permits, David Braun, DPW, and Christine Neiderer, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 78-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were two submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 78-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 78-24, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Road Design; 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 eliminates the requirement that a development pass the test for adequate public road facilities before being eligible for grandfathering.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Ms. Pickard clarified the requirement of the amendment.

Mr. Hunt responded.

Mr. Volke asked for further explanation.

Mr. Hunt answered.

Ms. Pickard spoke on the amendment.

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

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

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

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment clarifies that public roads abutting a proposed development that provide vehicular access to the development must be improved in accordance with the DPW Design Manual.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

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

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

Nay – None

Amendment No. 3

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment clarifies that a developer is responsible for complying with the DPW Design Manual and fee simple deed for a County road only if it abuts the proposed development; and a developer is responsible for complying with relevant state design guidelines and requirements if a proposed development abuts a State road.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

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

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 78-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on November 18, 2024.

BILL NO. 79-24

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Anne Budowski, Personnel, Jackie Atkinson, Personnel, Sarah Heffernan, Personnel, Chief Amal Awad, Police Department, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

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

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 79-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 79-24.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 79-24, An Ordinance concerning: Personnel – Modification of Classification Plan – Positions in the Classified Service – Police Department; 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 approves a change of the pay grade for the job classification in the exempt service of Assistant Chief of Police from E7 to E8.

Mr. Hunt explained the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked about the Fiscal Note.

Ms. Budowski answered.

Ms. Fiedler asked for clarification on the amendment.

Ms. Budowski responded.

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

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 79-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on November 18, 2024.

BILL NO. 80-24

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Karen Henry, DPW, Greg Swain, Office of Law.

The Administration supports.

Ms. Rodvien asked to be added as a co-sponsor to the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 80-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there was one submission of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 80-24, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 80-24:

Rylie Shewbridge, Linthicum

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 80-24, An Ordinance concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Charges and Assessments for Water and Wastewater – Affordable Dwelling Units; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Mr. Volke asked about requirements of State law.

Ms. Pickard answered.

Bill No. 80-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

BILL NO. 81-24

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

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

The Administration supports.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 81-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 81-24.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 81-24:

Phil Hager

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 81-24, An Ordinance concerning: Zoning – Industrial Districts – Electric Vehicle Repair – Electric Vehicle Towing and Storage; 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 makes a technical correction in the function paragraph and adds electric vehicle towing and storage facilities, temporary storage not to exceed 90 days as permitted use in C4 districts.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Amendment No. 2

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment clarifies that electric vehicle storage is temporary for no more than 90 days.

Ms. Pickard explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 81-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on November 18, 2024.

BILL NO. 82-24

The Chair called for 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Brian Schenck, Finance Department, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Mr. Smith spoke on the veterans in the county.

Ms. Leadbetter stated she has two members of her immediate family who are veterans.

Mr. Smith stated he does not qualify for this bill.

Ms. Picard asked to be added as a co-sponsor to the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 82-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 82-24.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 82-24, An Ordinance concerning: Real Property Taxes – Tax Credits Retired Veterans; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ms. Rodvien stated her husband is a veteran who does not qualify for this bill.

Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment requires the principal residence's assessed value to be \$800,000 or less and clarifies that the tax credit applies to an assessed value of up to \$500,000.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

Ms. Rodvien asked what the limit was before the bill.

Mr. Smith answered.

Mr. Volke asked for clarification on the benefit.

Mr. Smith responded.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

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

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

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

The Chair stated that Bill No. 82-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on November 18, 2024.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 39-24

The Chair called for Resolution No. 39-24, A 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Erik Michelsen, DPW, Mike Hrubciak, DPW, and Greg Swain, Office of Law.

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

Mr. Michelsen spoke on the resolution.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Resolution No. 39-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Resolution No. 39-24.

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 39-24, A 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; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Resolution No. 39-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

MOTION FOR JOINT PUBLIC HEARING

On motion by Ms. Leadbetter, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, the motion to hold a joint public hearing for Resolution Nos. 41-24, 42-24, 43-24, 44-24, 45-24, and 46-24, was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

RESOLUTION NO. 41-24 THROUGH RESOLUTION NO. 46-24

The Chair called for Resolution No. 41-24, A Resolution approving the application of Steven Maurice Parks, Jr. to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 94.84 acres in Lothian, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 42-24, A Resolution approving the application of Land Preserve, LLC to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 84.55 acres in Edgewater, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 43-24, A Resolution approving the application of Gary L. Jackson and Julie G. Jackson to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 59.91 acres in Lothian, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 44-24, A Resolution approving the application of Virginia R. Garretson, Dean C. Garretson, and Dean C. Garretson, Jr. to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 48.79 acres in Lothian, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 45-24, A Resolution approving the application of Allen P. Covington and Maxwell H. Covington, III, individually and as Trustees of the Covington Marital Trust, to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 121 acres in Davidsonville, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 46-24, A Resolution approving the application of Allen P. Covington and Maxwell H. Covington, III, individually and as Trustees of the Covington Marital Trust, to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 92.6 acres in Davidsonville, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

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

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

Ms. Pompa spoke on the resolutions.

Ms. Pickard clarified the resolutions.

Ms. Pompa responded.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Resolution Nos. 41-24 through 46-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were three submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Resolution No. 42-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 41-24, A Resolution approving the application of Steven Maurice Parks, Jr. to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 94.84 acres in Lothian, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 42-24, A Resolution approving the application of Land Preserve, LLC to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 84.55 acres in Edgewater, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 43-24, A Resolution approving the application of Gary L. Jackson and Julie G. Jackson to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 59.91 acres in Lothian, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 44-24, A Resolution approving the application of Virginia R. Garretson, Dean C. Garretson, and Dean C. Garretson, Jr. to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 48.79 acres in Lothian, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 45-24, A Resolution approving the application of Allen P. Covington and Maxwell H. Covington, III, individually and as Trustees of the Covington Marital Trust, to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 121 acres in Davidsonville, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

The Chair called for Resolution No. 46-24, A Resolution approving the application of Allen P. Covington and Maxwell H. Covington, III, individually and as Trustees of the Covington Marital Trust, to sell an agricultural land preservation easement to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on 92.6 acres in Davidsonville, Maryland; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Resolution No. 41-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Resolution No. 42-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Resolution No. 43-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Resolution No. 44-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Resolution No. 45-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

Resolution No. 46-24 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

RESOLUTION NO. 48-24

The Chair called for Resolution No. 48-24, A Resolution approving the terms and conditions of the acquisition of real properties in Gambrills and Millersville, Maryland, from Millersville Partners LLC, utilizing funds from the Advance Land Acquisition Capital Project ; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Chris Daniels, Real Estate, Erik Michelsen, DPW, Dr. Bill Heiser, AACPS, Kyle Ruef, AACPS, and Christine Neiderer, Office of Law.

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

Dr. Heiser spoke on the resolution.

Mr. Volke asked how long the property was on the market and about the appraisal.

Mr. Daniels answered.

Ms. Pickard asked about appraisal amounts and zoning.

Ms. Neiderer responded.

Ms. Fiedler clarified zoning law.

Mr. Michelsen answered.

There was further discussion on the resolution.

The Administrative Officer stated there were eleven submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Resolution No. 48-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Resolution No. 48-24:

Deborah Weller, Millersville
Don Weller, Millersville
Nita Settina, Annapolis
Elizabeth Sroka, Millersville

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

The Chair called for Resolution No. 48-24, A Resolution approving the terms and conditions of the acquisition of real properties in Gambrills and Millersville, Maryland, from Millersville Partners LLC, utilizing funds from the Advance Land Acquisition Capital Project; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Mr. Volke clarified the concept plan.

Mr. Hunt responded.

Ms. Pickard asked clarifying questions about the property.

Mr. Michelsen answered.

On motion by Ms. Rodvien, seconded by Mr. Smith, the motion to hold Resolution No. 48-24 until November 18, 2024, was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Ms. Hummer, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, the meeting adjourned at 9:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

By Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

For Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer