

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND
Minutes of
Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 22
December 2, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

The County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Pickard at 7:04 P.M. It was opened with the Invocation, given by Ms. Rodvien, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held in the County Council Chambers in Annapolis, Maryland. There were approximately 50 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
Lisa D.B. Rodvien	Sixth District
Shannon Leadbetter	Seventh District

Amanda Fiedler, Fifth District, joined the meeting at 7:38 P.M.

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

On motion by Mr. Volke, seconded by Mr. Smith, the motion to suspend the rule 4-104 to introduce and vote on Resolution No. 50-24 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

INTRODCUTION AND CALL OF RESOLUTION FOR FINAL READING AND/OR VOTE

RESOLUTION NO. 50-24 – RESOLUTION electing a Chair and Vice Chair of the County Council
Introduced by Ms. Pickard and Ms. Rodvien

The Chair called for Resolution No. 50-24, A Resolution electing a Chair and Vice Chair of the County Council; and the Administrative Officer read the resolution.

Resolution No. 50-24 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 congratulated Ms. Hummer and Ms. Rodvien.

Ms. Hummer presented Ms. Pickard with a plaque, thanking her for her year of service.

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 was one submission of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Invitation to Audience, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke at Invitation to Audience:

Kyle Nembhard, Glen Burnie
Jim Bongiorno, Odenton
Charlotte Ferrigno-Whitaker, Annapolis
Gary Mauler, Jessup
John Pantiledes, Annapolis
Michael Brown, Glen Burnie
Julie Johnson, Annapolis
Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Amy Leahy, Severna Park

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

PRELIMINARY MOTION

On motion of Ms. Pickard, 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. Pickard, seconded by Mr. Volke, the minutes for November 18, 2024, Legislative Day No. 22.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL NO. 97-24 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Requirements for Conditional Uses – School Bus Facilities – FOR the purpose of allowing school bus facilities in C1 zoning districts as a conditional use; requiring vehicular access for school bus facilities by certain roads in C1 and C3 zoning districts; requiring a minimum lot size for school bus facilities in C1 zoning districts; and generally relating to zoning.
Introduced by Mr. Volke

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 51-24 – RESOLUTION approving the private disposition of certain improved, County-owned property known as a portion of Magothy Bridge Road, adjacent to the Earleigh Heights Volunteer Fire Company, in Severna Park, Maryland
Introduced by Ms. Pickard, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

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

BILL NO. 88-24

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Christopher Sheehan, Mesirow Capital Public Finance, David Gregory, Bond Counsel, Brian Schenck, Office of Finance, Billie Penley, Office of Finance, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

Mr. Sheehan spoke on the bill.

Ms. Hummer asked about the total savings on the bond.

Mr. Sheehan answered.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 88-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 88-24.

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

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

Bill No. 88-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

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 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. 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.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 75-24, as amended:

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. 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. 10

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment requires that if a Sector Plan or study is required by the General Development Plan or a region plan, it must be completed and recommend rezoning to a mixed use district before a property can be administratively rezoned to a mixed use district, and makes certain rezoning restrictions for the Administrative Hearing Officer and Board of Appeals consistent.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

Mr. Evelyn spoke 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. Fiedler, Ms. Rodvien, Ms. Leadbetter, Mr. Smith, Ms. Pickard,
Ms. Hummer

Nay – None

Amendment No. 11

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment requires that notice of a proceeding involving certain administrative rezonings to a mixed use district, whether before the Administrative Hearing Officer or the Board of Appeals, be provided to the Councilmember for the district of the property affected and, if applicable, to the Councilmember of the abutting the property affected.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

Mr. Evelyn spoke on the amendment.

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

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

Nay – None

Amendment No. 12

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment clarifies that uses in the W1 District are allowed as permitted uses where the requirements of §18-8-301(c) are met.

Ms. Hummer explained the amendment.

Ms. Rodvien asked a technical question.

Ms. Kenney answered.

On motion of Ms. Hummer, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 12 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Amendment No. 13

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment increases the maximum building height in the MXD-U district from 168 feet to 180 feet.

Ms. Hummer explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

Mr. Smith asked a clarifying question.

Ms. Miller answered.

On motion of Ms. Hummer, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 13 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Amendment No. 14

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment clarifies the grandfathering provisions to allow applications associated with grandfathered plans filed before the effective date of Bill No. 75-24 to be filed after the effective date of Bill No. 75-24 and be governed by the law as it existed prior to the effective date of Bill No. 75-24.

Ms. Hummer explained the amendment.

Mr. Evelyn spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Ms. Hummer, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 14 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Amendment No. 15

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment decreases the minimum site size for mixed use districts from five acres to three acres.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

Mr. Evelyn spoke on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Pickard, Amendment No. 15 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

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

Amendment No. 16

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment adds a provision to allows certain sites subject to a BRAC phased mixed use development plan on a site outside of the four mile radius referenced in § 18-10-112(A)(1) to develop mixed use development in accordance with the BRAC phased mixed use development plan considered as a whole and not on an individual lot basis.

Mr. Smith explained the amendment.

Ms. Pickard asked for clarification of the amendment.

Mr. Smith responded.

Mr. Evelyn spoke on the amendment.

Mr. Volke asked what the difference will be if this amendment is passed.

Mr. Smith answered.

There was further discussion on the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Rodvien, Amendment No. 16 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 75-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on December 16, 2024.

BILL NO. 78-24 (As Amended)

The Chair called for Bill No. 78-24, as amended, 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, and Christine Neiderer, Office of Law.

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

Ms. Pickard asked for specifics on how the bill will impact redevelopment.

Ms. Fowler and Mr. Badami answered.

There was further discussion of the bill.

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

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 78-24, as amended.

The following person spoke on Bill No. 78-24, as amended:

Gary Mauler, Jessup
Amy Leahy, Severna Park

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 78-24, as amended, An Ordinance concerning: Subdivision and Development – Road Design; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 78-24, as amended, was defeated by the following roll call:

Aye – None

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

BILL NO. 86-24

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by John Wolchko, OIT, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

Mr. Smith asked about the renewal process.

Mr. Wolchko answered.

Mr. Volke asked about negative impacts.

Mr. Wolchko responded.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 86-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 86-24.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 86-24:

Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Gary Mauler, Jessup

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

Mr. Volke spoke on the revenue amount.

Mr. Wolchko spoke on the cable agreements.

Bill No. 86-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

BILL NO. 87-24

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Chris Trumbauer, Budget Officer, 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. 87-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 87-24.

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 87-24, An Ordinance concerning: Current Expense Budget – Supplementary Appropriation – Severn Grove Special Community Benefit District; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Bill No. 87-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

BILL NO. 89-24

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Matt Stanski, Board of Education, Steven Theroux, Budget, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

Ms. Rodvien disclosed that she is an employee of AACPS.

Ms. Leadbetter spoke on the fiscal note.

Mr. Stanski responded.

Mr. Smith asked a clarifying question.

Mr. Stanski answered.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 89-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there was one submission of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 89-24, which was shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 89-24:

Kurt Svendsen, Arnold

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 89-24, An Ordinance concerning: Current Expense Budget – Board of Education – Supplementary Appropriation; and the Administrative Officer read a portion of the title.

Mr. Volke clarified the bill.

Mr. Stanski responded.

Bill No. 89-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

Nay – None

BILL NO. 90-24

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Bill Heiser, Board of Education, and Lori Klasmeier, Office of Law.

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

Ms. Hummer spoke on qualifying for Geothermal.

Mr. Smith asked about security upgrades.

Mr. Heiser answered.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 90-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 90-24.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 90-24:

Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Julie Johnson, Annapolis

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

Mr. Volke asked about grant funding.

Mr. Trumbauer responded.

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

Bill No. 90-24 was passed by the following roll call:

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

BILL NO. 91-24

The Chair called for 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; 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 Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 91-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were no submissions of public testimony received ahead of time for Bill No. 91-24.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 91-24:

Julie Johnson, Annapolis

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

Amendment No. 1

The Administrative Officer read a brief summary of the amendment:

This amendment requires a minimum lot size of 6,000 square feet for a pet care business operating as a home occupation.

Ms. Fiedler explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Nay – None

The Chair stated that Bill No. 91-24, as amended, will be heard at the next Council Meeting on December 16, 2024.

BILL NO. 92-24

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

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

Ethan Hunt, Administration, was accompanied by Erik Michelsen, Department of Public Works, Holly Velez, Inspections and Permits, and Kelly Kenney, Office of Law.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the bill.

Mr. Michelsen spoke on the bill.

Mr. Volke clarified the bill.

Mr. Michelsen responded.

There was further discussion on the bill.

The Chair called for the public hearing on Bill No. 92-24.

The Administrative Officer stated there were thirty submissions of written testimony received through the online testimony tool for Bill No. 92-24, which were shared with the Council and posted on the County Council website.

The following persons spoke on Bill No. 92-24:

Anne Pearson, Edgewater
Sarah Price, Annapolis
JoAnne Zoller, Glen Burnie
Bernie Robinson, Glen Burnie
Thomas Woodward, Arnold
Melanie Dunaway, Annapolis
James Warren Wills, Annapolis
Marjorie Winslow, Crownsville
Giovanni De Amici, Crofton
Meerub Malik, Youth Advisory Council
Deidre Suddeth, Glen Burnie
Priscilla Kania, Annapolis
Kurt Svendsen, Arnold
Amy Leahy, Severna Park

David Morseberger, Davidsonville
Stevie Walding, Crownsville
Julie Johnson, Annapolis

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

The Chair called for Bill No. 92-24, An Ordinance concerning: Public Safety – Miscellaneous Provisions – Plastic Bags Prohibited; 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 makes a correction to the purpose paragraph.

Ms. Leadbetter explained the amendment.

The Administration supports.

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

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

Mr. Volke shared his view on the bill.

Ms. Rodvien spoke on the bill.

Bill No. 92-24, as amended, was defeated by the following roll call:

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Volke, seconded by Mr. Smith, the meeting adjourned at 10:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anna Macaulay

By Anna Macaulay

/s/ Kaley Schultze

For Kaley Schultze
Administrative Officer