

**BALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2024, LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 7**  
**April 1, 2024 6:00 P.M.**

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A. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Patoka at 6:07 P.M. The Chairman asked the audience to rise for a moment of silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were approximately 60 persons in attendance. The following Councilmembers were present:

PAT YOUNG	FIRST DISTRICT
IZZY PATOKA	SECOND DISTRICT
WADE KACH	THIRD DISTRICT
JULIAN E. JONES	FOURTH DISTRICT
DAVID MARKS	FIFTH DISTRICT
TODD CRANDELL	SEVENTH DISTRICT

Councilman Ertel was absent the entire meeting.

Councilman Young commented and then motioned to suspend the rules. Councilman Kach seconded the motion to suspend the rules and it was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

**G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**14. Res. 16-24 – County Council Support - Francis Scott Key Bridge**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to offer its sincere condolences and heartfelt prayers to the family and friends of those lost in the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge; to express its unequivocal support and appreciation to the first responders who have been at the forefront of the rescue and recovery efforts at the site following this unimaginable tragedy; and, as the recovery efforts and investigation into the Bridge collapse are completed, to encourage our Federal, State, and local partners to continue to work together collaboratively, and to utilize all resources available to expedite the reopening of the Port of Baltimore as quickly as possible, support the thousands of Port workers that have been displaced as a result of this tragedy, and to ultimately rebuild the Francis Scott Key Bridge to once again serve as the iconic architectural entrance to Baltimore and the Patapsco River. Councilman Crandell commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Crandell, seconded by Councilman Jones, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**15. Res. 17-24 – Approval-Continuation of a State of Emergency-Executive Order No. 2024-005**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the County Council approving the continuation of a State of Emergency declared by the County Executive on March 26, 2024 (Executive Order No. 2024-005). Stacy Rodgers testified. Councilman Jones commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**B. APPROVAL OF JOURNAL**

Upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, the reading of the Journal Entries for the meeting of March 18, 2024 was waived and accepted unanimously.

**G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**1. Approval – (5) – Qualified Individuals – Supervisor of Assessments**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the approval of 5 qualified individuals to become candidates for the vacant position for the Supervisor of Assessments in the Baltimore County office.

**Braxton McNeil** - There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Jones, Braxton McNeil was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**Edgar Clarke** - There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, Edgar Clarke was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**Robert Igbanugo** - There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, Robert Iganugo was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**Tamille Aponte** -Councilmembers Patoka, Kach and Jones commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, Tamille Aponte was not approved by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Jones  
Nay – Patoka, Kach, Marks, Crandell  
Absent – Ertel

**Zachary E. Grisard** - There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, Zachary E. Grisard was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**2. Appointment –Baltimore County Ethics Commission – Sasha Rousseau**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the appointment of Sasha Rousseau to the Baltimore County Baltimore County Ethics Commission for the remainder of a three-year term to expire on June 30, 2026. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, this Appointment was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**4. Appointment –Director – Office of Human Resources – Renee Coleman**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the appointment of Renee Coleman to serve as Director of the Baltimore Department of Human Resources. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, this Appointment was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**5. Appointment – Acting Director – Office of Information Technology – Christopher Martin**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the appointment of Christopher Martin to serve as the Acting Director of the Office of Information Technology, concurrent with the departure of the Director. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Patoka, this Appointment was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**10. Appointment – Baltimore County Animal Hearing Board – René Varela**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the appointment of Rena Varela to the Baltimore County Animal Hearing Board. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Kach, seconded by Councilman Jones, this Appointment was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**11. Appointment – Baltimore County Property Tax Assessment Appeals Board – Elizabeth Moseley**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the appointment of Elizabeth Moseley to be presented to the Governor for appointment to the Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Kach, seconded by Councilman Marks, this Appointment was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**12. Reappointment – Baltimore County Property Tax Assessment Appeals Board – Paige Davey**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive requesting the reappointment of Paige Davey to be presented to the Governor for reappointment to the Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Marks, this Appointment was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**C. ENROLLMENT OF BILLS**

The Chairman stated that Bi; 6-24 was passed by the County Council and signed by the County Executive. He certified and delivered to the Secretary, Bills 6-24 and 8-24. Bill 8-24 was returned unsigned by the County Executive.

**D. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**Bill 16-24** entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2023-2024 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from state funds and made available to the County through the Maryland Center for School Safety.

**Bill 17-24** entitled An Act for the purpose of repealing the Basic Services Sewerage Map, the Basic Services Water Supply Map and the Basic Services Transportation Map; and adopting a new Basic Services Sewerage Map, a new Basic Services Water Supply Map and a new Basic Services Transportation Map.

**Bill 18-24** entitled An Act for the purpose of making available a certain revitalization tax credit for properties within a State designated transit oriented development located in a certain area; establishing the conditions and duration for the tax credit; and generally relating to the revitalization tax credit.

**E. CALL OF BILLS FOR FINAL READING AND VOTE**

**Bill 9-24**, Mixed-Use Overlay District, was called. Councilman Patoka commented and then motioned to extend the Bill to be discussed at the Work Session on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 and Final Reading and Vote to occur at the Legislative Session on Monday, April 15, 2024. Councilman Kach, seconded the motion and Bill 9-24 was extended by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

**Bill 10-24**, Zoning Regs. – Application of the R.C.7 Zone to R.C.2 Zoned Property, was called. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Patoka, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent - Ertel

**Bill 11-24**, Zoning Regs. – Neighborhood Commons (N.C.) District – Floodplains, was called. Councilmembers Marks and Kach commented. Councilman Marks then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

1. On page 2, in line 18, after “FLOODPLAIN” insert “OR A FOREST CONSERVATION AREA”.

Councilman Young seconded the motion and this amendment passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Kach, Bill 11-24, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

**Bill 12-24**, Property Tax Credits – Disabled Law Enforcement Officers, was called. Councilman Marks commented and then motioned to extend the Bill to be discussed at the Work Session on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 and Final Reading and Vote to occur at the Legislative Session on Monday, April 15, 2024. Councilman Crandell, seconded the motion and Bill 12-24 was extended by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

**Bill 13-24**, Zoning Regs. – Swim School and Learning Center was called. Council Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Crandell, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None

**F. APPROVAL OF FISCAL MATTERS**

The Chairman stated that the Council would now consider Fiscal Matters. Extensive testimony on each item was taken at the Council’s work session on March 26, 2024. The witnesses who testified at the work session were available to restate their testimony if needed. If a Councilmember had any questions regarding a particular Fiscal Matter, that item would be discussed as a separate matter. Chairman Patoka then called upon the Secretary to read the cover letters for Fiscal Matters 1 through 8.

**1. Contract of Sale – JMD Campbell, LLC – Sale of County-owned property – Campbell Blvd. and MD43-REC**

A contract of sale with JMD Campbell, LLC, to sell County-owned property, located at Campbell Boulevard and Maryland Route 43.

**2. Contract – Sentinel Offender Services, LLC – Home detention and monitoring services and equipment - DOC**

A contract with Sentinel Offender Services, LLC, to provide home detention and monitoring equipment and services for the Baltimore County Department of Corrections.

**3. Contracts – (3) – Purchase/installation of floor coverings – PM**

Three contracts to provide for the purchase and installation of floor coverings in various Baltimore-County-owned and/or operated buildings.

**4. Purchase Order–Ali & Edwards Consulting – Data analysis–Impact of BCPD policies, practices & training protocols-traffic stops-PD**

A purchase order with Ali & Edwards Consulting, to provide data analysis asses the impact of the Police Department policies, practices and training protocols on the traffic stop outcomes.

**5. Agreement – BFI Waste Services, LLC d/b/a Republic Services of Baltimore – Commercial transportation & disposal services-DPWT**

An agreement with BFI Waste Services, LLC d/b/a Republic Services of Baltimore, to provide commercial transportation and disposal services for commercial municipal solid waste accepted at the ESL, CAF and WAF.

**6. Contract – The Family Recovery Program, Inc. – Recovery housing & support services – HHS**

A contract with The Family Recovery Program, Inc, to provide recovery housing and support services for Baltimore County residents with Substance Use Disorder (SUD) who have minor children that have been, or at risk for, out of home placements.

**7. Contracts – (5) – Cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment services – HHS**

Five contract to provide cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment service for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers; as well as, service coordination and payment for diagnosis and treatment services for any type of cancer for qualified Baltimore County residents.

**8. Amendment to Agreement - – McGuire Woods, LLP – Legal counsel services - OOL**

Two contracts with Whitney, Bailey, Cox & Magnani, LLC and Brudis & Associates, Inc., to provide structural engineering design services, on an on-call, as-needed basis.

There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Kach, Fiscal Matters 1 through 8 were unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

**G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**3. Res. 10-24 – Adopt the Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to adopt the Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan. Councilmembers Kach and Marks commented. Councilman Kach then moved to amend this Resolution with the following amendment:

1. On page 49, at the end of the paragraph labeled “NCR Trail Extension” insert the following. “The studies that the County will conduct to evaluate options for extensions of the NCR Trail shall consider the spot improvements where the Trail extension crosses York Road to ensure the safety of the Trail users, including the use of pedestrian bridges or pedestrian activated crossing guard arms or gates. If the County does not pursue these safety measures, then the County shall consider alternative sites to connect the areas of the NCR Trail that provide safe passage for Trail users”.

Councilman Jones seconded the motion and this amendment passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

Councilman Marks then moved to amend this Resolution with the following amendments:

1. On pages 110-111 in Appendix D to the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan titled “Prioritized Recommended Network Projects,” strike Segment #87:

“87 Northeast Trail Silver Spring Rd. Honeygo Blvd. 1.38 Paved Shared Use Path 5  
Tier 2 - (Medium Priority)”

and renumber Segment #87 to Segment #28:

“28 Northeast Trail Silver Spring Rd. Honeygo Blvd. 1.38 Paved Shared Use Path 5  
Tier 2 - (Medium Priority)”

and insert the new Segment 28 after Segment #27 on pages 108-109 and renumber the remaining Segments through pages 114-115 consecutively after Segment 28.



1. Place an asterisk (\*) next to Segments 27 and 28; on pages 114-115 in Appendix D to the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan titled “Prioritized Recommended Network Projects,” at the bottom of those pages and after the last Segment is listed, insert the following:

“\*The expansion of the Northeast Trail, to include extending the trail and providing overall connectivity, has been a priority of the County Council for the last decade.”

2. Throughout the Baltimore County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, where there are references on any Maps in the Plan to “Nottingham” as an area or place, strike “Nottingham” and substitute “Perry Hall”.

Councilman Patoka seconded the motion and these amendments passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Kach, Resolution 10-24, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Kach, Jones, Marks, Crandell  
Nay – None  
Absent – Ertel

**6. Res. 11-24 –Support of repayable loan – MD Dept. of Commerce – MD Economic Assistance Fund –Rocket Lab, USA, Inc.**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution in support of a repayable loan in the amount of \$1,560,000 from the Maryland Department of Commerce (“Department”) to Rocket Lab USA, Inc. pursuant to the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Fund, Sections 5-301 through 5-349 of the Economic Development Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Sameer Sidh testified. Councilman Marks and Crandell commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Kach, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

7. **Res. 12-24 – Payment in lieu of property taxes (PILOT) – MCB BLVD, LLC-7935  
Belridge Rd., 21236**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to authorize the County Executive or other authorized administrative official to enter into a written agreement on behalf of the County with MCB BLVD, LLC (the “Owner”) for the payment of stipulated amounts in lieu of regular real property taxes in order to facilitate the development of a rental housing project to benefit eligible persons in Baltimore County. Terry Hickey testified. Councilman Jones commented and questioned Mr. Hickey. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Patoka, seconded by Councilman Young, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

8. **Res. 13-24 – Payment in lieu of property taxes (PILOT) – MCB Springs, LLC-53  
Bayberry Rd., 21234**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to authorize the County Executive or other authorized administrative official to enter into a written agreement on behalf of the County with MCB Springs, LLC (the “Owner”) for the payment of stipulated amounts in lieu of regular real property taxes in order to facilitate the development of a rental housing project to benefit eligible persons in Baltimore County. Terry Hickey testified. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Patoka, this Resolution was unanimously approved.


9. **Res. 14-24 – Payment in lieu of property taxes (PILOT) – MCB Beacon, LLC-2810  
Nathaniel Wav., 21219**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to authorize the County Executive or other authorized administrative official to enter into a written agreement on behalf of the County with MCB Beacon, LLC (the “Owner”) for the payment of stipulated amounts in lieu of regular real property taxes in order to facilitate the development of a rental housing project to benefit eligible persons in Baltimore County. Terry Hickey testified. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Patoka, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

**13. Res. 15-24 – Approval of Maryland Rural Legacy Plan Applications (3)**

This Resolution was for introduction only.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, upon motion by Councilman Crandell, seconded by Councilman Jones, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Thomas H. Bostwick  
Legislative Counsel/Secretary