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MEDIA ADVISORY

COUNTY COUNCIL ANNOUNCES NEW POLICIES REGARDING CORONAVIRUS

Towson, MD – As a follow up to the Media Advisory issued on March 12, 2020, and in compliance with the newest guidelines and directives in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Cathy Bevins, (D,6th), Chair of the Baltimore County Council, announced new policies for the Baltimore County Council Work Sessions and Legislative Sessions.

Legislative Sessions and Work Sessions are being held as scheduled. Until further notice, these meetings will be held virtually and remotely utilizing the County’s WebEx conferencing. The meetings will be convened at their regularly scheduled dates and times (2:00 p.m. for Work Sessions and 6:00 p.m. for Legislative Sessions). The public and the press will be able to attend these meetings using a link from their computer, tablet or smart phone, and will also be able to attend using a call-in phone number and access code. Links to this information can be found on the Council’s homepage at www.baltimorecountymd.gov/countycouncil.

The public are encouraged to continue to provide written testimony or comment by email, fax, or traditional mail. All written testimony should be sent to the Council Secretary at countycouncil@baltimorecountymd.gov.

“Holding our meetings via video or phone conferencing will enable the Council to fulfill its obligations and keep the government running, while also keeping the public informed and incorporating best practices on social distancing and staying at home in order to keep everyone as safe as possible,” said Mrs. Bevins.

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