

BALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2014, LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 13
August 4, 2014 6:00 P.M.

A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Bevins at 6:04 P.M. The Chair asked the audience to rise for a moment of silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were approximately 20 persons in attendance and the following Councilmembers were present:

TOM QUIRK	FIRST DISTRICT
VICKI ALMOND	SECOND DISTRICT
TODD HUFF	THIRD DISTRICT
KENNETH N. OLIVER	FOURTH DISTRICT
DAVID MARKS	FIFTH DISTRICT
CATHY BEVINS	SIXTH DISTRICT
JOHN OLSZEWSKI, SR.	SEVENTH DISTRICT

B. APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

 Upon motion by Councilman Oliver, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, the reading of the Journal Entries for the meeting of July 7, 2014 was waived and accepted unanimously.

C. ENROLLMENT OF BILLS

 The Chair stated that the following Bills were passed by the County Council and signed by the County Executive. She certified and delivered to the Secretary, Bills 40-14 and 41-14.

D. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

BILL 46-14, entitled An Act for the purpose of allowing certain former employees of the Baltimore County Public Library to join the retirement system under certain circumstances; providing that employees who join the retirement system shall be deemed as having joined before a certain date; providing for certain contributions and certain benefits; and generally relating to the ability of certain employees to join the retirement system.

BILL 47-14, entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2013-2014 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from private funds and made available to the County through the estate of the late Margaret Leister.

BILL 48-14, entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2014-2015 Capital Budget, by appropriating to the Capital Budget monies derived from grant funds and made available to the County through the State of Maryland.

BILL 49-14, entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2014-2015 Capital Budget, by appropriating to the Capital Budget monies derived from grant funds and made available to the County through the State of Maryland.

E. CALL OF BILLS FOR FINAL READING AND VOTE

Bill 42-14, Zoning Regulations - Signs, was called. Councilman Marks commented then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

1. On page 2, in the second WHEREAS clause, strike “and Route 1”
2. On page 3, in line 12, after the first comma. Insert “EXCLUDING U.S. ROUTE 1,”

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

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins, Olszewski
Nay - None

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Olszewski, seconded by Councilman Oliver, Bill 42-14, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins, Olszewski
Nay - None

Bill 43-14, This Bill was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

Bill 44-14, Signs, was called. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, this Bill was passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins, Olszewski
Nay - None

Bill 45-14, CEB - Family Employment and Support Program, was called. Tim Sheridan appeared. Councilman Olszewski moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, in the third line of the title and on page 2, in line 7, strike “Family Employment and Support Program” and substitute “Child Support Services”.

2. On page 1, in the fourth line of the purpose paragraph and in the second line of the “WHEREAS” clause, strike “Circuit Court for Baltimore County” and substitute “Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts, Family Services Division”; and in the first line of the “WHEREAS” clause, strike “Services” and substitute “Resources”.

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

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins, Olszewski

Nay - None

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Olszewski, seconded by Councilman Quirk, Bill 45-14, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins, Olszewski

Nay - None

F. APPROVAL OF FISCAL MATTERS

The Chair stated that the Council would now consider Fiscal Matters. Extensive testimony on each item was taken at the Council’s work session on July 29, 2014. 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. Chair Bevins then called upon the Secretary to read the cover letter for Fiscal Matters 1 through 9.

1. Addendum #3 to Contract - Gannett Fleming, Inc. - modification of final design - additional reservoirs - Public Works

Addendum #3 to the contract with Gannett Fleming, Inc., to modify the final design of the site work, piping, support facilities and environmental approval submittals, to incorporate three reservoirs instead of 2, as originally proposed.

2. Contract - Maryland Environmental Service - assistance with preservation, improvement & management - quality of air & water resources - Public Works

A contract with Maryland Environmental Service, to provide public and private instrumentalities with services that will assist with the preservation, improvement and management of the quality of air, land and water resources, encourage reductions in the amount of waste generated and discharged into the environment and to promote the health and welfare of the citizens of the State.

3. Contract - The Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, Inc., outreach & education of lead hazard reduction - Planning

A contract with The Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, Inc., T/A Green & Healthy Homes Initiative, to provide outreach and education of lead hazard reduction, in an effort to make housing units lead safe for children.

4. Contracts (2) - Professional Engineering Services - shoreline erosion - DEPS

Two contracts with Moffatt & Nichol, Inc., and EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc., to provide professional engineering services for the design of various shoreline erosion and enhancement projects.

5. Agreement - West Group - internet legal search database - Law

An agreement with West Group, to provide an internet legal research database. The agreement locks in the current price over a three year period, and will include users from the Police Department and County Council.

6. Amendments to the Contracts - (3) - individual, family and group behavioral health services - HHS

Three amendments to contracts with Dundalk Youth Services Center, Inc., Lighthouse, Inc., and Center for Progressive Learning, Inc. d/b/a First Step, to add an additional one year renewal period to the existing agreements.

7. Contract - Pension Benefit Information, Inc., - death audit services - OBF

A contract with Pension Benefit Information, Inc., to provide death audit services for the Baltimore County Retirement Division.

8. Amendment #2 to Contract - Bel Air Auto Auction, Inc. - auctioneering & simulcast services - OBF

Amendment # 2 to the contract with Bel Air Auto Auction, Inc., to increase the total compensation paid to the contractor during the entire term of the agreement, including renewals thereof. The contractor provides auctioneering and simulcasting services for vehicles, trucks vans, off road vehicles and small powered equipment on an on-call basis.

9. Amendments to Contracts - (3) - Computer training classes for county employees - OHR

Three amendments to the contracts with Answer Quest Technologies, Inc., The Board of Trustees of The Community College of Baltimore County, and Logical Ventures, Inc., T/A Systems Source, to add an additional renewal period to the existing agreements, in order to have addition time to rebid the contracts. The contractors currently provide computer training classes for Baltimore County employees.

Councilmembers Quirk and Olszewski commented on Fiscal Matter 6. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Olszewski, seconded by Councilman Quirk, Fiscal Matters 1 through 9 were unanimously approved.

G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Correspondence - Non-Competitive Awards

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read the correspondence from the Office of Budget and Finance listing the non-competitive awards made during June, 2014.

2. Res. 57-14 - Review of Planned Unit Development - Towson Mews

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to approve the review of a proposed planned unit development in accordance with County law. Councilman Mars commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Huff, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

3. Res. 58-14 - Endorsement of Application - Greater Dundalk/Sparrows Point Sustainable Community - Turners Station area

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the application and receipt of financing for a Community Legacy Project further described in the Community Legacy Application, to be financed either directly by the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland or through other departments or agencies of the State of Maryland. Andrea Van Arsdale appeared. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Olszewski, seconded by Councilman Marks, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

4. Res. 59-14 - Endorsement of Application - MD Community Investment Tax Credit Program - United Ministries

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to endorse the application of the United Ministries, Inc. ("United Ministries") to the State of Maryland Community Investment Tax Credit Program for certain tax credits to provide operating funds. Andrea Van Arsdale remained. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilwoman Almond, seconded by Councilman Huff, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

5. Res. 60-14 - Expansion of Residential Parking Area - "B" - Southland Hills - Towson

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to expand Residential Permit Parking area, in accordance with the procedures of Section 18-4-402, of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, for the area of Southland Hills in West Towson outlined on the attached plat. Ed Adams appeared. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Oliver, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

6. Res. 61-14 - Property Tax Exemption - DAV - Michael C. Papier

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Michael C. Papier who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Quirk, seconded by Councilman Olszewski, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

7. Res. 62-14 - Property Tax Exemption - Surviving Spouse - Alva V. Henson

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Alva V. Henson who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to surviving spouses of disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Quirk, seconded by Councilman Olszewski, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

8. Res. 63-14 - Property Tax Exemption - DAV - Louis F. Bowers

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from Louis F. Bowers who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Olszewski, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

9. Res. 64-14 - Property Tax Exemption - DAV - James E. Lankford, Sr.

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution to approve the refund of certain real property taxes collected from James E. Lankford, Sr. who is entitled to an exemption from real property taxes by reason of the exemption afforded to disabled veterans under State law. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Huff, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

10. Grant - Dundalk Renaissance Corporation - FY15 Dundalk Renaissance Youth Empowerment Project

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this correspondence from the Administrative Officer, about a grant with Dundalk Renaissance Corporation. Baltimore County will provide a grant to help community groups launch or continue programs aimed at reducing neighborhood crime and/or provide wholesome activities for at risk youths in the neighborhood. Major Mark Warren appeared. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Huff, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, these grant recommendations was approved by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins
Nay - None
Abstain - Olszewski

11. Res. 65-14 - Approval of Application - Dundalk Renaissance Corporation - Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Projects

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to approve the application by the Dundalk Renaissance Corporation for financing of Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Projects either directly from the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland (the "Department") or through other departments or agencies of the State of Maryland. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Oliver, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, this Resolution approved by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins
Nay - None
Abstain - Olszewski

12. Res. 66-14 - Approval of Application - Dundalk Renaissance Corporation - Community Legacy Projects

At the direction of the Chair, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to approve the application by the Dundalk Renaissance Corporation for financing of Community Legacy Projects either directly from the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland (the "Department") or through other departments or agencies of the State of Maryland. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilwoman Bevins, seconded by Councilwoman Almond, this Resolution approved by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Quirk, Almond, Huff, Oliver, Marks, Bevins
Nay - None
Abstain - Olszewski

13. Res. 67-14 - Review of PUD - Brewery Station - 7101 Sollers Point Road

This Resolution was for introduction only.

14. Res. 68-14 - Endorsement of Application - MD Community Investment Tax Credit Program - Abilities Network, Inc.

This Resolution was for introduction only.

15. Res. 69-14 - Accept a donation - (4) parcels of land - Maryland Environmental Trust

This Resolution was for introduction only.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, upon motion by Councilman Quirk, seconded by Councilman Huff, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.


Thomas J. Peddicord, Jr.