



COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPROVED

Monday, November 29, 2021

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland convened via video conference at 12:34 P.M. on Monday, November 29, 2021.

PRESENT

Councilmember Tom Hucker, President	Councilmember Gabe Alborno, Vice President
Councilmember Andrew Friedson	Councilmember Evan Glass
Councilmember Will Jawando	Councilmember Sidney Katz
Councilmember Nancy Navarro	Councilmember Craig Rice
Councilmember Hans Riemer	

The President in the Chair.

(1) DISCUSSION - State Legislative Program

Participating in the discussion were Ms. Wenger, Director, Ms. Boucher, Special Assistant to Director, Ms. Frey, Legislative Analyst, and Ms. Morningstar, Federal Relations Coordinator and Legislative Analyst, Office of Intergovernmental Relations (OIR); and Ms. McCartney Green, Legislative Attorney.

Discussed the Capital Improvement Projects list presented by staff. Ms. Wenger noted that she expects these projects to be well funded given a large amount of funds available as well as funds available from the Federal infrastructure bill.

The Capital Improvements list was approved by unanimous vote. Mr. Riemer made the motion.

Discussed the letter to the Governor to advocate for enhanced funding for the Office of Immigration Affairs. Ms. Navarro supported language be added to the letter in support of robust funding for the programs and initiatives outlined by the legislation, such as community engagement and language services.
Discussed the list of local Bills and suggested Council positions on each.

Regarding **Bill MC 2-22**, Mr. Hucker requested more information on the current programs/plans from each municipality. Mr. Friedson requested more information as to why this Bill is directed to Montgomery County municipalities only and why this Bill does not also include Prince George's County municipalities. Mr. Albornoz added that it would be helpful to obtain the fiscal impact of this Bill on the municipality. Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill.

Regarding **Bill MC 3-22**, Mr. Katz requested information on revenue from school bus tickets, the feasibility of constructing medians, and funding sources for this. Mr. Glass noted that he would prefer that the original law is corrected, rather than support a new law correcting the original law. Additionally, this should be reviewed under the Vision Zero program. Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill.

Regarding **Bill MC 4-22**, Ms. Navarro supported waiting to hear from the Board of Education to help inform the Council's position on this Bill. Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill.

Regarding **Bill MC 5-22**, Mr. Jawando stated his support for this Bill, but suggests hearing the Board of Education's opinion on this matter before the Council takes a position. Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill.

Regarding **Bill MC 6-22**, Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill until further information is obtained from the Board of Education.

Regarding **Bill MC 20-22**, Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill until gathering more information as this may be more appropriate as a state-wide legislation rather than a local bill.

Regarding **Bill MC 13-22**, Council voted to support this Bill. Mr. Riemer made the motion which passed unanimously.

Regarding **Bill PG/MC 100-22**, Council voted to support this Bill. Mr. Katz made the motion which passed unanimously.

Regarding **Bill PG/MC 101-22**, Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill until more information is obtained from the Park and Planning Commission.

Regarding Bill PG/MC 103-22, Council agreed to hold recommendation on this Bill until more information is obtained from the agencies impacted by this Bill.

Ms. Wenger noted that there will be public hearings held on these Bills in Montgomery County on December 13 and 15, 2021. Council supported waiting until after the public hearings to take a position on each item, but prior to the Bill in committee.

The meeting adjourned at 1:16 P.M.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq.
Clerk of the Council