



COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPROVED

Monday, March 4, 2019

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland convened in the Council Hearing Room, Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, Rockville, Maryland, at 12:34 P.M. on Monday, March 4, 2019.

PRESENT

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

The President in the Chair.

(1) **DISCUSSION** - [State Legislative Program](#)

Received an update on the 2019 session of the Maryland General Assembly.

Participating in the discussion were Ms. Wenger, Director, and Ms. Boucher, Office of Intergovernmental Relations (OIR); and Ms. Mihill, Legislative Attorney.

Reviewed HB1118, Use of Public Funds – Playground and Athletic Field Surfaces – Authorizations, Preferences, and Prohibitions. Ms. McGuire, Executive Director, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), participated in the discussion. A majority of the Council supported Mr. Riemer's motion to oppose HB1118. Mr. Glass, Mr. Jawando and Mr. Friedson were not in support of opposing HB1118. Mr. Hucker was temporarily absent.

Supported SB787/HB1281, Transportation – Bikeways Network Program – Funding; and SB574/HB1161, Maryland Small Business Innovation Research and Technology Transfer Incentive Program. Mr. Hucker was temporarily absent.

Reviewed SB898/HB983, Public Safety – Investigation of an Officer-Involved Death (Law Enforcement Trust and Transparency Act). Police Chief Manger participated in the discussion. Mr. Jawando reminded Councilmembers that the bill, other than changes from County policy to State policy, is almost identical to Montgomery County **Bill 1-19**, Police – Officer Involved Death – Independent Investigation. Agreed with the County Executive’s position of supporting the concepts of transparency and accountability in SB 898/HB 983, but noted that amendments are needed to address operational issues and infrastructure at the state level, such as a State bureau to conduct the investigations, as well as funding at the State level.

Reviewed SB917/HB1045, Land Use – Comprehensive Plans – Housing Element. Opposed SB917/HB1045 because the legislation was deemed unnecessary and would intrude on the County’s local authority to determine what housing element should be included in masterplans.

The meeting adjourned at 1:09 P.M.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Approved/Signed by the Clerk

Megan Davey Limarzi, Esq.
Clerk of the Council