
PRESENT

Councilmember Sidney Katz, President
Councilmember Gabe Albornoz
Councilmember Evan Glass
Councilmember Nancy Navarro

Councilmember Tom Hucker, Vice President
Councilmember Andrew Friedson
Councilmember Will Jawando
Councilmember Craig Rice
Councilmember Hans Riemer

The President in the Chair.

(1) DISCUSSION - State Legislative Program

Reviewed local and statewide bills of interest to the Council that will be introduced during the 2020 session of the Maryland General Assembly. Participating in the discussion were Ms. Wenger, Director, Ms. Boucher, and Ms. Samman, Office of Intergovernmental Relations (OIR); Ms. Mihill, Legislative Attorney; and Ms. McMillan, Senior Legislative Analyst.

Majority supported the staff recommendation opposing MC1-20, Montgomery County - Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC) - Selection of Chair. Mr. Hucker was in support. OIR agreed to get information on the HOC Chair’s responsibilities, and how many Boards, Committees and Commissions’ Chairs are appointed by the County Executive.

Supported Mr. Rice’s motion, without objection, to support MC2-20, Montgomery County - HOC - Alterations, with amendments to address the timeline, “spending Montgomery” website, and publishing the audit report on HOC’s website.

Ms. Autin with HOC participated in the discussion of MC5-20, Montgomery County - HOC - Procurement. Majority supported Mr. Rice’s motion opposing MC5-20. Mr. Hucker was opposed to the motion.
Supported, without objection, staff recommendation to hold taking a position on MC8-20, Montgomery County - Public Campaign Financing - Board of Education, until additional information is provided.

Supported Mr. Rice’s motion, without objection, to support staff recommendation in support of MC11-20, Montgomery County - Alcoholic Beverages - Consumption Only Marketplace, with amendments recommended by Alcohol Beverage Services (ABS).

Supported, without objection, Mr. Jawando’s motion to include language “rent is late by at least 7 days” and to delete the report requirement as recommended by staff of MC12-20, Residential Leases - Just Cause Eviction and Eviction Reporting.

Supported, without objection, staff recommendation to hold taking a position pending the release of the Compensation Commission recommendations of MC13-20, Montgomery County - Board of Education - Compensation.

Regarding MC14-20, Montgomery County - Authority of County Council Over Inspector General - Montgomery County Public Schools, supported Ms. Navarro’s motion, without objection, in support of the staff recommendation to include an amendment to provide that the County Inspector General (IG) should consult with the State IG for Education to assure that their work complements but does not duplicate the work of their respective officers.

Supported, without objection, staff recommendation in support of MC19-20, Montgomery County - Elections - Early Voting Centers.

Supported, without objection, staff recommendation to hold taking a position on MC21-20, HOC - Contracting Out Services - Requirements, until more information is provided.

Mr. Smith, Legislative Analyst, participated in the discussion on MC23-20, Montgomery County - Property Tax - Credit for Senior Citizen Volunteers. Supported, without objection, Mr. Albornoz’s motion in support of MC23-20.

Supported, without objection, Mr. Rice’s motion in support of the staff recommendation in support of MC27-20, Montgomery County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Catering Extension.

Supported, without objection, staff position in support of legislation on Electronic Room Partitions.

Supported, without objection, staff position in support of legislation on Electric Energy - Community Choice Energy.
The meeting adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Approved/Signed by Clerk of the Council

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Clerk of the Council