

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

## APPROVED

Friday, March 19, 2021

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland convened via video conference at 1:04 P.M. on Friday, March 19, 2021.

## **PRESENT**

Councilmember Tom Hucker, President
Councilmember Andrew Friedson
Councilmember Will Jawando
Councilmember Nancy Navarro

Councilmember Craig Rice

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Councilmember Hans Riemer

The President in the Chair.

## (1) COUNCIL SITTING AS BOARD OF HEALTH

A. **Introduced** a resolution to adopt a First Amended Board of Health Regulation to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Montgomery County

and **Public Hearing** - Resolution to adopt a First Amended Board of Health Regulation to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the Montgomery County

The public hearing was held and the record closed.

B. **Action** - Resolution to adopt a First Amended Board of Health Regulation to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Montgomery County

Participating in the discussion were Mr. Drummer, Senior Legislative Attorney; and Dr. Stoddard, Director, Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS).

Mr. Drummer explained that the First Amended Board of Health Regulation would update the guidance for sports and require all organized sports to obtain an approved COVID Protocol Plan (Plan) approved by the - 2 - 3/19/2021

Health Officer or the Health Officer's designee; require face coverings be worn per guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics; require social distancing to the extent possible; and require the use of a student attestation form or COVID-19 Athlete/Coach Monitoring Form at all conducted activities. Dr. Stoddard noted that previously approved Plans would not need to be resubmitted unless there is a change in the way of intent to operate, such as participating in tournaments or competitions. He also indicated they have been working with Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) to have Plans in place for school sports.

Councilmembers acknowledged the importance of young people's participation in sports, and expressed thanks to students, families, and coaches who have stepped up to make their views known. They stressed the importance of following safety protocols so as much risk as possible can be mitigated while allowing the County to move forward based on the best advice of public health officials.

Adopted **Resolution 19-768**, approving the First Amended Board of Health Regulation to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Montgomery County.

Mr. Rice made the motion and the Resolution was adopted by a roll call vote:

YEAS: Glass, Jawando, Riemer, Navarro, Rice, Friedson, Katz, Albornoz, Hucker.

The meeting adjourned at 1:57 P.M.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq.

Clerk of the Council