

APPROVED

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Monday, February 14, 2005 Rockville, Md.

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland convened in the Council Conference Room, Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, Rockville, Maryland, at 12:33 P.M. on Monday, February 14, 2005.

PRESENT

Councilmember Thomas Perez, President
Councilmember Phil Andrews
Councilmember Marilyn J. Praisner

Councilmember George Leventhal, Vice President
Councilmember Nancy Floreen
Councilmember Steven A. Silverman

ABSENT

Councilmember Michael Knapp

Councilmember Michael Subin

Councilmember Howard Denis

The President in the Chair.

SUBJECT: **State Legislative Program**

Reference: 2/14/05 memorandum from Ms. Wenger, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Relations.

Received an update from Ms. Wenger on County bond bill submissions, as shown on ©1 of the memorandum, the State fiscal discussions, the status of local legislation, and the video lottery terminal legislation.

Mr. Leventhal requested a copy of the County's position statement on SB 39, Electric Industry – Aggregation – Counties and Municipal Corporations.

Discussed the SB 205/HB 255 – Public Education Bridge to Excellence – Funding – Video Lottery Terminals.

Defeated Mr. Silverman's motion to oppose SB 205 and HB 255:

YEAS: Andrews, Leventhal, Silverman

NAYS: Floreen, Perez, Praisner

ABSENT: Denis, Knapp, Subin.

Defeated Ms. Praisner's substitute motion to take no position at this time on SB 205 and HB 255:

YEAS: Floreen, Perez, Praisner

NAYS: Andrews, Leventhal, Silverman

ABSENT: Denis, Knapp, Subin.

With respect to the possibility of the State increasing the cap on Grant Anticipated Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) bonds in order to fund construction of the Intercounty Connector, Ms. Floreen said the Council's position statement should state the Council supports the State's efforts in this regard, but should not include specific figures.

Mr. Andrews and Ms. Praisner said they do not support increasing the cap on GARVEE bonds for any project.

Supported SB 366/HB 564 – Maryland Clean Cars Act of 2005:

YEAS: Andrews, Floreen, Leventhal, Praisner, Perez

ABSENT: Denis, Knapp, Subin, Silverman (temporarily).

Mr. Leventhal made the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

This is an accurate account of the meeting:

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

Minutes written by: Mary Anne Paradise, Deputy Clerk