



Prince George's County Council

County Administration Building
14741 Governor Oden Bowie
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Upper Marlboro, Maryland
20772-3050

Meeting Minutes - Final Sitting as the Committee of the Whole

Thursday, April 22, 2021

10:00 AM

(VIRTUAL MEETING)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Deni L. Taveras as 10:02 a.m. with nine members present. Council Member Harrison arrived at 10:34 a.m. and Council Member Franklin arrived at 11:50 a.m.

Present 11 - Calvin S. Hawkins
Monique Anderson-Walker
Derrick Davis
Thomas Dernoga
Mel Franklin
Dannielle Glaros
Sydney Harrison
Jolene Ivey
Rodney Streeter
Deni Taveras
Todd Turner

Also present:

*Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator
William M. Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator
Colette Gresham, Associate Council Administrator
Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council
Theresa D. Myers, Legislative Assistant
Leonard D. Moses, Zoning Assistant
Terry L. Bell, Council Liaison
Amanda Denison, Associate County Attorney
J. Kenneth Battle, TIEE Committee Director
Kathy Canning, Legislative Officer
Howard Stone, GOFP Committee Director
James Walker-Bey, Zoning Reference Aide*

BUDGET WORKSESSION - ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

- a) Presentation by Committee Staff
(Including comments received by the Committee)*
- b) Audits & Investigations Budget Report*
- c) Comments from Agencies*
- d) Questions from Committee Members*
- e) Motion and Vote*

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SOIL CONSERVATION

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 Budget and Summary Report - Soil Conservation Presentation Soil Conservation](#)

Convened at 10:03 a.m. J. Kenneth Battle, Director of the Transportation, Infrastructure, Environment and Enforcement Committee (TIEE) provided a staff overview.

AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

*Josh Hamlin, Policy Analyst, Audits & Investigations
Alex Hirtle, Policy Analyst, Audits & Investigations*

PANELISTS:

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET:

*Stanley Earley, Director, OMB
Maria Calloway, OMB*

SOIL CONSERVATION:

*Steven Darcey, Executive Director
John Tarr
Kim Rush Lynch
Gail Myers
Jeanine Nutter*

Executive Director Steven Darcey facilitated a PowerPoint Presentation focusing on District Operations; FY22 Proposed Operating Budget; Technical Service Agency; Urban Development and Conservation Program; Agricultural Conservation Program; Agricultural Land Preservation

Program; Urban Agricultural Conservation Program and Outreach and Education Program. The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding urban farms; Acres Preserved Program and young farmers. Concluded at 10:30 a.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 Budget and Summary Report - Dept of Environment](#)

Convened at 10:31 a.m. J. Kenneth Battle, Director of the Transportation, Infrastructure, Environment and Enforcement Committee (TIEE) provided a staff overview.

AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

Dave Van Dyke, County Auditor

Sylvia Singleton, Policy Analyst, Audits & Investigations

PANELISTS:

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET:

Stanley Earley, Director, OMB

Rushane Jones, OMB

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT:

Michelle Russell, Director

Marilyn Naumann

Dawn Hawkins Nixon

Rodney Taylor

Jeff Dehan

The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding bulky trash collection; impervious area restoration; tipping fees; Solid Waste Fund; illegal dumping; surveillance cameras; tire shredding; environmental crimes; Solid Waste Commission; solid waste contractors; Northern County Animal Shelter and Feral Cat Program. Concluded at 11:37 a.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 Budget and Summary Report - DPW&T](#)

Convened at 11:38 a.m. J. Kenneth Battle, Director of the Transportation, Infrastructure, Environment and Enforcement Committee (TIEE) provided a staff overview.

AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

Dave Van Dyke, County Auditor

Larry Whitehurst, Policy Analyst

PANEL GUESTS:

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Stanley Earley, Director, OMB

Neeton Nichols, OMB

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION

Terry L. Bellamy, Director

Gwendolyn T. Clerkley

Martin Harris

Canjor D. Reed

The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding Oxon Hill Road Beautification Program; vans for seniors; Route 210 attenuators; removal of illegal signs; tree trimming; taxi cab system; road restoration and pedestrian safety improvements. Concluded at 12:33 p.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

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OFFICE OF LAW

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 Budget Report and Summary - Office of Law](#)

Convened at 12:34 p.m. Howard W. Stone, Director of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP) provided a staff overview.

AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

Turkessa Green, Deputy County Auditor

Isabel Williams, Policy Analyst

PANELISTS:

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET:

Stanley Earley, Director, OMB

Wadson Pericles, OMB

OFFICE OF LAW:

Rhonda Weaver, County Attorney

Joseph Ruddy

Sean Dixon

Andrew Murray

Tina Peters

The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Member Taveras regarding number of positions to be filled. Concluded at 12:42 p.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

RECESS

THE MEETING RECESSED AT 12:43 P.M.

Motion was made by Council Member Turner; seconded by Council Member Streeter to recess the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENE

THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:02 P.M.

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OFFICE OF ETHICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 Budget and Summary Report - Ethics and Accountability](#)

Convened at 1:03 p.m. Howard W. Stone, Director of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP) provided a staff overview.

AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

*Turkessa Green, Deputy County Auditor
Isabel Williams, Policy Analyst*

PANELISTS:

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET:

*Stanley Earley, Director, OMB
Kanika Peterson, OMB*

OFFICE OF ETHICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY:

*Robin Barnes-Shell, Director
Roslyn Walker, Compliance Officer*

The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding sustained findings; OEA Annual Reports; secondary employment; financial disclosure statements; advisory opinions; State Ethics Commission; redaction of personal information from financial disclosure statement and lobbyists. Concluded at 1:32 p.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

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OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Attachment(s): [FY 2022 Budget and Summary Report - OIT Presentation OIT](#)

Convened at 1:33 p.m. Howard W. Stone, Director of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee (GOFP) provided a staff overview.

AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS:

*Turkessa Green, Deputy County Auditor
Deneen Mackall, Policy Analyst*

PANEL GUESTS:

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET:

Stanley Earley, Director, OMB

Mary Proctor-Swann, OMB

OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

Wanda Gibson, Director

Charmain Ferguson

Thomas T. Jones, Deputy Director

Kim Knight, Admin. and Fiscal Director

Lorenzo Hylton, Budget Manager

Floyd Holt, DCAO

Director Gibson facilitated a PowerPoint Presentation focusing on Themes; Accomplishments; COVID-19 Tech Response; IT Trending/Strategic Planning Assumptions; Challenges; FY 2022 Priorities and COVID-19 "New Normal". The Panelists responded to questions posed by Council Members regarding education opportunities; broadband; small and minority IT businesses and storage capacity for body camera data. Concluded at 2:21 p.m.

NO ACTION TAKEN

ADJOURN

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:22 P.M.

A motion was made by Member Streeter, seconded by Member Turner, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.