On March 2, 2021, the <u>County Council</u> convened to introduce bills for the first time, to read bills for the second time, and adopt bills into law.

First Reading

<u>CR-008-2021</u> EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4-2021 - REORGANIZATIONAL PROPOSAL

amending the Schedule of Legislation separating the Human Relations Commission from the Office of Community Relations and establishing a new Office of Human Rights.

CB-012-2021 AN ACT CONCERNING THE HUMAN RELATIONS

COMMISSION for the purpose of amending the name of the Human Relations Commission to provide

clarity to citizens and other governmental agencies as to the mission and function of the agency, modifying language to increase inclusion and diversity, adding gender identity as a protected class, and clarifying roles and authority of the Human Relations Commission and the appointed Commissioners.

CB-013-2021 AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING FARM BREWERIES for the purpose of providing a definition for Farm brewery, amending the Residential Table of Uses in

the Zoning Ordinance to permit Farm Brewery uses in the O-S (Open Space) Zone of Prince George's County, subject to certain specified requirements.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Turner, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison and Ivey

CB-014-2021 AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING C-S-C ZONES for the purpose of permitting by right, Townhouse in the C-S-C (Commercial Shopping Center) Zone of Prince

George's County, under certain circumstances.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Ivey

CB-015-2021 AN EMERGENCY ACT CONCERNING LANDLORD-TENANT CODE

PROHIBITED ACTS for the purpose of providing that the Landlord-Tenant Code prohibit landlords from willfully diminishing services to a tenant without the written consent of a tenant; making this Act an emergency bill; and generally regarding landlord-tenant relations.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Taveras

CB-016-2021 AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING ZONING - ADMINISTRATION - APPEALS

AND VARIANCES-CRITERIA for the purpose of amending the criteria in the Zoning Ordinance for granting zoning appeals involving variances.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Dernoga

CB-017-2021 AN ACT CONCERNING FOOD HALLS OCCUPANCY AND OPERATIONS

for the purpose of establishing a business license for Special Food Service Facilities - Food Halls.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Ivey, Glaros, Streeter and Taveras

CR-021-2021 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR

ALL WORKGROUP - EXTENSION OF TERM for the purpose of extending the term of the Housing Opportunities for All Workgroup which was established to assist the County in setting priorities and implementing the Comprehensive Housing Strategy Report for Prince George's County; to provide advice on any proposed legislation and/or changes being considered by the County to existing policies and legislation and to recommend possible changes for consideration by the County to the County's policies, regulations, procedures, and distribution of County resources; to extend the due date of the workgroup's annual report and generally relating to housing issues in Prince George's County.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Glaros

CR-022-2021 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE 2018 WATER AND SEWER PLAN

(DECEMBER 2020 CYCLE OF AMENDMENTS) for the purpose of changing the water and sewer category designations of properties within the 2018 Water and Sewer Plan.

Introduction AND Adoption

<u>CB-23-2021</u> A RESOLUTION CONCERNING NATIONAL DAY OF EMPATHY for the

purpose of expressing the County Council's support for the National Day of Empathy and initiatives that support criminal justice reform.

• This bill was introduced by every member of the Prince George's County Council.

The County Council convened on March 4, 2021 as <u>Committee of the Whole</u>. On this day, the Council reviewed previously introduced bills, reviewed state filed bills and voted to either support or oppose certain statewide bills.

CB-009-2021 AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING LOT COVERAGE - R-A ZONE for the

purpose of amending lot coverage regulations in the R-A (Rural-Agricultural) Zone of Prince George's County, under certain circumstances.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Davis

CB-010-2021 AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR DISABLED

VETERANS for the Purpose of Establishing a Property Tax Credit for Disabled Veterans.

Draft: 1

Sponsor(s): Anderson-Walker and Hawkins

• The Council voted to hold the bill in order to await further information.

Also, The Committee of the Whole also met on Thursday, March 4TH to receive a briefing from former Legislative Branch team member, Dr. Angela Simms, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Urban Studies, Barnard College – Columbia University. Council Members engaged in a robust discussion around her dissertation, "Power, Privilege and Peril: Governing in Prince George's County."

As part of an additions package, the Committee of the Whole also voted to take a position of support for <u>PG-307-21</u>, Alcoholic Beverages – Alcohol Density Zone and Licenses, proposed legislation being considered in the General Assembly Session