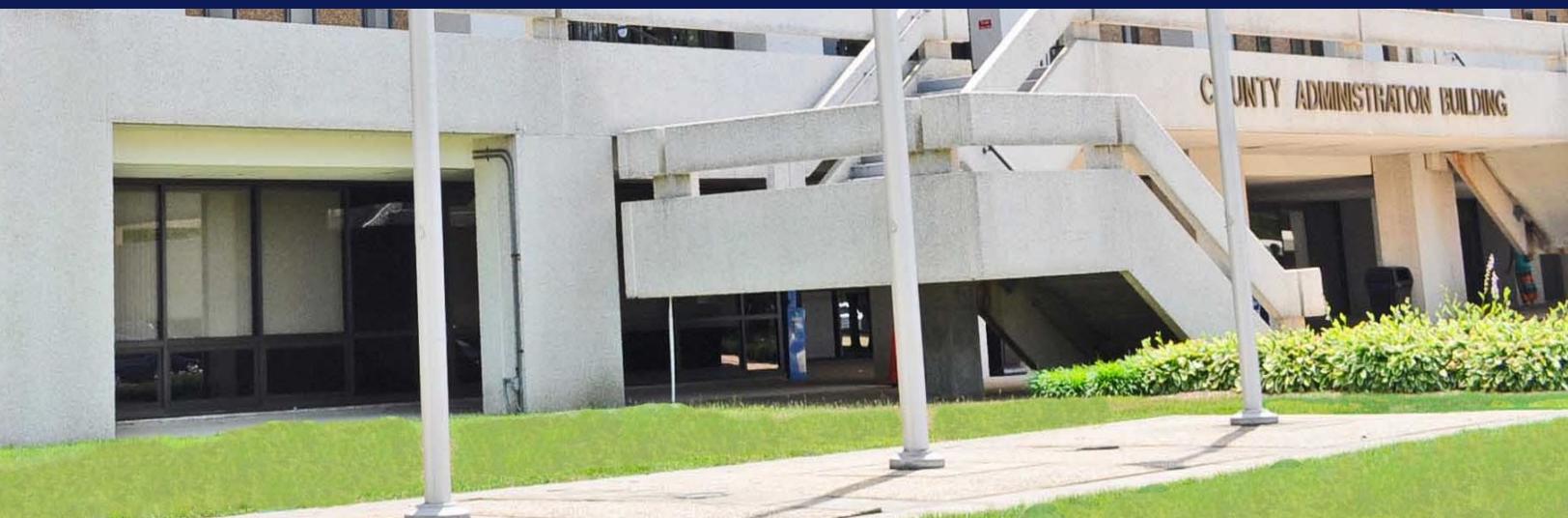




# 2011 ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

*"Serving the People of Prince George's County, Maryland"*



It has been my honor and distinct privilege to serve as Chair of the Prince George's County Council for Legislative Year 2011. I want to thank each of my esteemed colleagues for their partnership and support – Will Campos, Derrick L. Davis, Mel Franklin, Andrea C. Harrison, Mary A. Lehman, Eric Olson, Obie Patterson, and Karen R. Toles. Together, we achieved many accomplishments on behalf of the citizens we are privileged to serve.

When I accepted the gavel as Chair of the Council for Legislative Year 2011, the Council said we would Work for YOU, the citizens of Prince George's County to: create jobs; provide economic development opportunities; improve access to healthcare and develop healthier communities; support full funding of education to directly impact student achievement; secure our communities; support the important work of nonprofits; engage citizen and community partners in their local government; and enhance transparency in Council processes. I am proud of the work of this Council. Together as a team we met every challenge with a clear focus on serving the residents, consistently diligent in our pursuit of positive change and committed to enhancing the quality of life for all our residents.

It has been said that "Teamwork makes the Dream Work." In a difficult fiscal year and challenging economy, we worked hard to establish stronger relationships with our collaborative partners – County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III, state and federal legislators, and all stakeholders, to establish a budgetary strategy that would address the needs of our residents and ensure the three major bond rating agencies would reaffirm the County's critical AAA Bond Rating.

Together, we accomplished the signing of a historic and long-awaited Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Maryland Medical System, the Governor and state of Maryland, and Dimensions Healthcare. Inc., for a new regional hospital and healthcare system in our County, and we collaborated on the establishment of a \$50-million Economic Development Incentive Fund, which we believe will greatly benefit economic growth and job creation in our County. We took the government to the people, and we passed legislation that enables a more transparent government.

We appreciate the engagement and partnership of our citizens. Your participation in Council processes and feedback on Council decisions and activities have been invaluable to our work together to improve our quality of life in Prince George's County.



It is with great pride and humility that I conclude this year as Council Chair and pass the gavel to our newly-elected Council Leadership Team – 2012 Legislative Year Council Chair Andrea C. Harrison, and Council Vice-Chair Eric Olson. They are poised to lead this Council and our County to be even greater.

I am pleased to present to our citizens, **The Prince George's County 2011 Legislative Annual Report**, a summary of how we have been "Working for YOU," for a healthier, safer, wealthier Prince George's County. As you move through the pages, you will find this informative report offers much to be proud of, and a strategy unfolding for a successful year ahead. Thank you for a great year!

Working for You,

Ingrid M. Turner, Esq.  
Chair, 2011 Legislative Year



# Chair Turner HIGHLIGHTS

## Improving Access to Healthcare

- Greater Focus on Healthcare and Health-Related Issues in the County by expanding role of County Council as Board of Health.
- Signing of Memorandum of Understanding with University of Maryland Medical System to develop a comprehensive plan for strengthening healthcare in Prince George's County
- "Health Check – The Prognosis for Prince George's County," Health Symposium presented in partnership with the National Harbor Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc.
- Prince George's County leads the way in the state of Maryland initiative for a County Health Improvement Plan.

## Economic Development

- Bill Signing for CB-004-2011, establishing the Prince George's County Economic Development Incentive Fund
- State and County officials announce that the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, first state agency to do so, is relocating to Prince George's County.
- Passage of Jobs First Act (CB-17-2011) and Project Labor Agreement legislation (CB-16-2011) enhancing economic development with job creation and procurement opportunities.

## Transparency

- Passage of CB-19-2011, requiring the County to develop a website to include information for certain County expenditures; providing guidelines for public access to the website information; and generally relating to governing public access to information about County payments
- Passage of CB-36-2011, requiring an audit of the accounts maintained by the County Executive and County Council Members upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the term of the County Executive or a County Council Member
- County Council Brings Government to the People with offsite, evening Town Hall Meetings
- County Council session "Go Live" on the Internet with live streaming

## Collaboration and Partnerships

- Prince George's County Executive; State of Maryland Legislators; Congressional Representatives; County residents; and all stakeholders

## The Honorable Rushern L. Baker, III Prince George's County Executive

*"Each of you should be proud of what this Council accomplished in 2011. Your work helped to make Prince George's County a better place to live and work. It was this Council that signed an MOU to expand access to healthcare in this County. It was this Council that took steps to improve public safety. It was this Council that understood the importance of improving our educational outcomes. And it was this Council that had the courage to pass a \$50-million Economic Development Incentive Fund. We are a better County thanks to our collaboration. So on behalf of the people of Prince George's County, I want to thank each one of you for your courage, commitment, and dedication. And I look forward to productive year as we work together to move this great County forward."*



# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL



LEHMAN CAMPOS OLSON HARRISON TURNER DAVIS TOLES PATTERSON FRANKLIN

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### Ingrid M. Turner, District 4

#### Chair

Represents Councilmanic District Four which includes Bowie, Glenn Dale, Greenbelt, Westchester Park, parts of Lanham-Seabrook and Upper Marlboro.

### Mary A. Lehman, District 1

Represents Councilmanic District One which includes Adelphi, Beltsville, Calverton, College Park, Laurel, Montpelier, South Laurel, Vansville and West Laurel.

### Will Campos, District 2

Represents Councilmanic District Two which includes Adelphi, Avondale, Brentwood, Carole Highlands, Chillum, Green Meadows, Hyattsville, Langley Park, Lewisdale, Mount Rainier and North Brentwood.

### Eric Olson, District 3

#### Vice Chair

Represents Councilmanic District Three which comprises the areas of Beacon Heights, Berwyn Heights, College Park, East Pines, Glenn Dale, Glenridge, Landover Hills, Lanham, New Carrollton, Riverdale Heights and Hills, Riverdale Park, Seabrook, Templeton Knolls, University Park, West Lanham Hills, and Woodlawn.

### Andrea C. Harrison, District 5

Represents Councilmanic District Five which includes Bladensburg, Cheverly, Edmonston, Fairmount Heights, Glenarden, Landover, Colmar Manor, Cottage City, and Mitchellville.

### Derrick Leon Davis, District 6

Represents Councilmanic District Six which includes South Bowie, Capitol Heights, District Heights, Forestville, Kettering, Largo, Mitchellville, and Upper Marlboro.

### Karen R. Toles, District 7

Represents Councilmanic District Seven which comprises the areas of District Heights, Bradbury/ Boulevard Heights, Capitol Heights, Hillcrest Heights, Marlow Heights, Seat Pleasant and Suitland.

### Obie Patterson, District 8

Represents Councilmanic District Eight which includes Camp Springs, Clinton, Forest Heights, Fort Washington, Glass Manor, Marlow Heights, Oxon Hill, and Temple Hills.

### Mel Franklin, District 9

Represents Councilmanic District Nine which includes Accokeek, Andrews Air Force Base, Aquasco, Baden, Brandywine, Camp Springs, Cheltenham, Clinton, Croom, Eagle Harbor, Fort Washington, Piscataway, Upper Marlboro.



## LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

## CORE VALUES



## 2011 Legislative Priorities

### Job Creation/Economic Development

With a focus on transit-oriented development, redevelopment, revenue creation and smart growth, the Council is encouraging a more business-friendly Prince George's County by expanding economic opportunities and commercial development. We are also working to secure funding for the County's transportation priorities, including the Purple Line, state road projects and restoration of Highway User Funds.

### Education

Targeting the areas of school construction, maintenance of schools, improving student achievement and vocational education, the Council is supporting full funding of the county's public schools, including operational, formula and construction spending.

### Public Safety

This Council is committed to provide equitable funding resources commensurate with the needs of the county. Public safety, a priority funding area, consistently receives the second largest appropriation of the county budget. This year, the Council is devoting particular attention to police and fire, fire prevention, public safety staffing issues and public safety facilities.

### Health

Access to quality health care for our residents is a priority concern as we continue to seek a long-term solution to the longstanding challenge of our hospital system. Committed to the health and wellness of our citizens, the Council will exercise a greater and more focused role as the County's Board of Health.

## Prince George's County Council Core Values

All legislative powers of Prince George's County, Maryland, are vested in the Prince George's County Council. In addition, the County Council sits as the District Council on zoning matters and land use policy, and as the Board of Health to govern and guide health policy. The Prince George's County Council is committed to developing partnerships and encouraging public participation and engagement with our citizens, community leaders and elected officials. The Council will exercise its oversight and legislative roles to improve services and programs for residents. The Council will manage County resources in an efficient and effective manner. The Council's core values are guided by the following:

### Guiding Principles

- Transparency
- Teamwork Through Collaboration and Trust
- Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability
- Innovative Thinking and Creative Problem-Solving
- Citizen Involvement and Community Engagement

### Transparency

The Council will be transparent in its operations. Council Members will be open and forthright in their communication with each other, the public and other key stakeholders.

### Teamwork Through Collaboration and Trust

The Council will operate as a team through trust and establish appropriate and coordinated goals that will serve as a unifying force in meeting the needs of the citizens of the County as a whole, while also addressing the needs of the individual constituencies of the Council Members.

### Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability

The Council bears fiduciary responsibility for stewardship of the County's resources. The Council will provide oversight of fiscal and governmental processes and use its collective wisdom and knowledge in making sound fiscal decisions that are in the best interest of the County and communities they were elected to serve.

### Innovative Thinking and Creative Problem-Solving

The Council will seek to find creative and unique solutions to continue to meet the needs and address the issues and concerns that affect the citizens of Prince George's County.

### Citizen Involvement and Community Engagement

The Council will seek to encourage citizen involvement. The Council knows that good government involves partnerships, education and community engagement, which is a key component for successful government.

The Council's Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee (PSFM), under the leadership of Committee Chair Will Campos and Committee Vice-Chair Mel Franklin hit the ground running. The committee worked hard to achieve greater oversight of the EDI Fund and set the framework for the enactment of public safety initiatives targeting illegal dance halls, initiated by Council Member Karen Toles. Council Member Toles also moved Project Labor Agreement legislation through PSFM, promoting the hiring of County workers. "Jobs First" legislation, the concept of Council Members Andrea Harrison and Mel Franklin, also emerged from PSFM, making way for much-needed contracting and procurement opportunities for Prince George's County businesses. Council Member Harrison and the PSFM committee spearheaded legislation establishing "Prostitution-Free" zones in the County.

Health, Education and Human Services Committee (HEHS) Chair Andrea Harrison and Committee Vice-Chair Mary Lehman worked with HEHS members to establish the Service Consolidation and Cost Reductions Task Force, which is examining duplication and cost-saving efforts between County Government and the Board of Education. Citizens can look forward to the final report next year.

Planning, Zoning and Economic Development (PZED) Chair Obie Patterson and Committee Vice-Chair Karen Toles led the important work of closing loopholes that allowed a proliferation of adult entertainment clubs, and enhancing public health through holistic planning and environmental design.

The critical issues of Storm Water Management and Noise Control in the County were among the important subjects under consideration in the Council's Transportation, Housing, and Environment Committee (THE) led Committee Chair Eric Olson and Committee Vice-Chair Karen Toles.



## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS for 2011 LEGISLATIVE YEAR

### HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES (HEHS)

Andrea C. Harrison, Chair  
Mary A. Lehman, Vice-Chair  
Ingrid M. Turner  
Mel Franklin  
Eric C. Olson

### PUBLIC SAFETY AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT (PSFM)

Will A. Campos, Chair  
Mel Franklin, Vice Chair  
Ingrid M. Turner  
Karen R. Toles  
Obie Patterson

### PLANNING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (PZED)

Obie Patterson, Chair  
Karen R. Toles, Vice-Chair  
Will A. Campos  
Eric C. Olson  
Andrea C. Harrison

### TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND THE ENVIRONMENT (THE)

Eric C. Olson, Chair  
Karen R. Toles, Vice-Chair  
Mary A. Lehman  
Obie Patterson  
Derrick Leon Davis  
(replaced Ingrid Turner November 2011)

## DISTRICT SIX COUNCIL MEMBER DERRICK LEON DAVIS SWORN INTO OFFICE



The newest member of the Prince George's County Council, Derrick Leon Davis (D) – District 6, was administered the Oath of Office on November 8, 2011 during a swearing-in ceremony in the Council Hearing Room in Upper Marlboro.

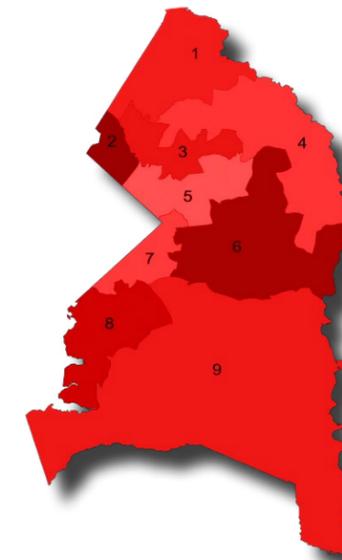
Council Member Davis, who won a Special Election to fill the District 6 Council seat vacancy that occurred in July 2011,\* encouraged his constituents to look forward. "This day is about our future—about how we keep working, growing and progressing together. How we invest in Prince George's County and in each other. It's about what unites us and moves us forward."

In remarks following the swearing-in, Council Member Davis thanked supporters and recognized his mentor, former County Council Member the Honorable JoAnn Bell. The County Council later convened and Council Member Davis participated in his first County Council meeting.

Council Member Davis said he is ready to work with his Council colleagues and County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III. "I offer you my hand in friendship and partnership, pledging to be a leader and team member; to contribute creativity and energy to our processes; and to work and study hard to improve the quality of life for our citizens and residents."

The District 6 constituent areas include South Bowie, Capitol Heights, District Heights, Forestville, Kettering, Largo, Mitchellville, and Upper Marlboro.

*\*The District 6 seat was vacated after the resignation of Leslie Johnson in July 2011.*



## 2011 Redistricting

Redistricting is the regular process of adjusting the lines of voting districts, often in response to population shifts determined by the decennial census. The 2011 Redistricting Commission was appointed pursuant to the prescriptions of Section 305 of the County Charter, which states that "The boundaries of Council districts shall be reestablished in 1982 and every tenth year thereafter. Whenever district boundaries are to be reestablished the Council shall appoint, not later than February 1 of the year prior to the year in which redistricting is to be effective, a commission on redistricting."

The Prince George's County Redistricting Commission was established by Council adoption of CR-2-2011, appointing the 2011 members of the Redistricting Commission and charging this public body with the mission to "prepare, publish, and make available a plan of Council districts and shall present that plan, together with a report explaining it, to the Council on or before September 1, 2011." The Council Resolution further prescribed in accordance with law that "the plan shall provide for Council districts that are compact, contiguous, and equal in population."

The 2011 Redistricting Commission web page, designed to encourage citizen participation in the redistricting process, was launched in April 2011. The web page featured an overview of the Redistricting Commission; important calendar dates; meeting agendas and minutes; press releases; a comments section for citizens; and links to related legislation and additional resources.

By law, the redistricting process will not occur again for another decade-- the year 2021.

## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY \$50 MILLION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE FUND

*"I am proud of the Council's work with County Executive Baker to establish this Economic Development Incentive Fund in Prince George's County. We are confident that our work together to enhance economic development in the County will support the kind of development both the Council and County Executive agree needs to happen. This is a plan that sets a clear vision for development opportunities and policies that will strengthen our communities with redevelopment and revitalization."*

--Legislative Year 2011 Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner

The Prince George's County Council passed CB-4-2011 on November 1, 2011, establishing the \$50 Million, multi-year, Prince George's County Economic Development Incentive Fund (EDI Fund), the concept of County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III. The Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner joined County Executive Baker for a formal bill signing on November 17, 2011.

The unprecedented EDI Fund is expected to create jobs; spur economic development; expand the commercial tax base; and strategically stimulate economic development to areas in need of redevelopment in Prince George's County.

To protect the County's interests and ensure the highest level of financial integrity in the process, an independent and objective panel, the Financial Advisory Committee (FAC), will be appointed to provide counsel on the financial viability of EDI Fund applicants. Of the seven FAC members, three will be appointed by the County Council.

Under CB-4-2011 as enacted, the County Council will receive written notice seven days in advance of all loans or grants from the EDI Fund. Any grant over \$250,000 is subject to Council approval. CB-4-2011 was scheduled to become effective on January 3, 2012.



# BOARD OF HEALTH

## Promoting a Healthier County

Healthcare in Prince George's County" presented by University of Maryland School of Public Health Dean, Dr. Robert S. Gold.

- Given the important role of prevention in maintaining healthy communities and reducing rising healthcare costs, the County Council partnered with the National Harbor Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc., to sponsor "Health Check – The Prognosis of Prince George's County" at Prince George's Community College. The one-day symposium brought together healthcare stakeholders for a comprehensive community discussion on the status of health-related issues in the County, including creating and maintaining jobs in the healthcare industry.

- In October, Prince George's County Council Members participated in the groundbreaking for Mary's Center, a new Federally Qualified Health Center facility in the Adelphi area. This new medical facility will increase the County's capacity to provide access to quality healthcare in our communities. This project is the result of a partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield Care First which brought the Mary's Center FQHC to Prince George's County, clear evidence of their strong support for improving access to healthcare for County residents.

- In keeping with the Council's commitment to public engagement, and transparent governance, a Board of Health web page was launched in July to enable more open and effective communication about Board of Health actions; enhance public understanding of healthcare issues; and promote greater public participation in our processes. For the first time in Council history, residents also viewed the Board of Health sessions online through live streaming.

A growing, thriving citizenry cannot be fully realized without healthy communities. In keeping with the establishment of access to affordable, quality healthcare for County residents as legislative priority, the County Council, as the Board of Health worked hard in Legislative Year 2011 to energize the healthcare dialogue in Prince George's County.

The County Council placed increased emphasis on healthcare in Legislative Year 2011, working hard as the Board of Health to consider a broad spectrum of health-related issues; address various aspects of County Health Department programs and policies; and engage the residents of Prince George's County in the critical healthcare conversation at every opportunity.

Under State law, the Board of Health - which in Prince George's County is the County Council - must meet at least twice yearly during the months of May and October. In Legislative Year 2011, the County Council met seven times as the Board of Health, far more often than required by law.

The Council held a "Healthy Communities" Town Hall meeting in April at the Bowie Senior Center. This meeting served as the backdrop for an announcement about an important new partnership between Dimensions Healthcare, and Children's National Medical Center, to strategize and implement a plan addressing the needs of children and their families in Prince George's County.

On June 21, the County Council adopted CR-27-2011 establishing the County's Health Care Improvement Plan, which assesses health and healthcare in Prince George's County. The legislation also acknowledges the teamwork of stakeholders to improve the health of citizens by providing greater access to preventive and wellness programs that result in better health outcomes, increased productivity, and reduced costs.

### Additional Legislative Year 2011 Board of Health highlights include:

- Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Secretary Dr. Joshua Sharfstein provided the County Council with an overview of the State Health Improvement Plan. This presentation was the first of its kind before a County-level governing body in the State of Maryland.

- The County Council, in conjunction with Governor Martin O'Malley, County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III, the University of Maryland Medical System, and Dimensions Healthcare, Inc. signed a Memorandum of Understanding that will ultimately bring a much-needed new regional hospital facility to serve the residents of Prince George's County. This agreement means County residents will have better and more affordable access to healthcare.

- Sitting as the Board of Health, the County Council held a briefing in June on "Creating Partnerships to Advance Health and



# TOWN HALL MEETINGS

*Council Meets Around the County*

During the 2011 Legislative Year, the Prince George's County Council hosted a series of five County-wide, offsite and well-attended Town Hall meetings, engaging residents in constructive dialogue about important issues—the County Budget; Education and Workforce Development; Healthcare; Improving the County's Permitting Processes; and Economic Development. The meetings featured a panel of experts including Council Members and other public and elected officials, as well as presentations. In addition, every meeting provided an opportunity for public comment.

The Council held the "Budget Town Hall Meeting," the first in the series, on the campus of the Prince George's Community College in February. Council Chair Turner said the Council was pledged to make the budget process more open, inclusive and participatory. The "Budget Town Hall Meeting," which included a presentation on the Council's budget review process and provided important budget calendar dates including public hearing schedules, was designed to increase public understanding of the budget process and the Council's role in approving the budget. It offered an important opportunity for all stakeholders to play an active role and share concerns about how County dollars are ultimately spent.

More than 100 County residents gathered in Bowie in April for "Healthy Communities – A Prince George's County Health System Update," the second in the series of town hall meetings hosted by the County Council. The meeting, held at the Bowie Senior Center, provided an open forum for community conversation about the state of healthcare in Prince George's County. Council Chair Turner stated that "Healthcare is an issue that impacts every Prince Georgian and ensuring the health and well-being of County residents is paramount for this Council. One of our top priorities for the 2011 Legislative Year is to address the disparities in the delivery of quality healthcare to our residents and support efforts that improve access to quality healthcare. The state of healthcare in Prince George's County is a public discussion that demands active civic engagement." The County Council is involved in the development of an overall strategic plan for updating the County's health policy, and this event served as part of the process.

"Preparing Today's Workforce for a New Global Economy," was the subject of the third Town Hall Meeting hosted by the County Council. Council Chair Turner noted that Prince George's County has a wide range of workforce education opportunities and resources that should be easily available to residents. A panel including industry experts focused the discussion on how the County workforce can best prepare for the global economy. The meeting, held at Northwestern High School in Adelphi in June, also provided resource information to residents about available retooling and retraining opportunities, including vocational training resources in County schools, which are key to successfully competing in an ever-changing workforce.

The County Council hosted "Streamlining the Prince George's County Permitting Processes- A Progress Report," a town hall dialogue on the status of Prince George's County's initiative to streamline permitting processes. The fourth in the Town Hall Meeting series was held in the College Park City Hall Council Chambers in College Park. Council Chair Turner said streamlining these processes is a shared priority for the County Council and County Executive Baker, "We both agree streamlining the process is necessary for Prince George's County to successfully compete with neighboring jurisdictions to attract economic growth, and increase and diversify the County's tax base."

The Council's fifth and final Town Hall Meeting for Legislative Year 2011, "Economic Development – Developing Great Opportunities in Prince George's County," took place in November at Gwynn Park Middle School in Brandywine. The meeting provided the perfect setting for constructive dialogue about expanding the County's commercial base, transit-oriented development and strengthening local businesses. Chair Turner commented, "For Prince George's County to reach its full potential, we must have an approach to economic development that delivers positive and sustaining development opportunities, jobs and economic viability to our communities."



**THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
 Progress on Streamlining the Prince George's County Permitting Processes

Join the Prince George's County Council for a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the delivery of health services in Prince George's County.

**Monday, February 28, 2011**  
 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Prince George's Community College  
 Community Room 8  
 301 Largo Road  
 Largo, Maryland 20774

**THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
 Progress on Streamlining the Prince George's County Permitting Processes

Join the Prince George's County Council for a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the delivery of health services in Prince George's County.

**Tuesday, April 5, 2011**  
 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.

Bowie Senior Center  
 14900 Health Center Drive  
 Bowie, MD 20716

**THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
 Progress on Streamlining the Prince George's County Permitting Processes

Join the Prince George's County Council for a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the delivery of health services in Prince George's County.

**Monday, June 14, 2011**  
 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

College Park City Hall  
 Council Chambers  
 4500 Knox Road  
 College Park, Maryland 20740

**THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
 Progress on Streamlining the Prince George's County Permitting Processes

Join the Prince George's County Council for a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the delivery of health services in Prince George's County.

**Thursday, September 15, 2011**  
 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

College Park City Hall  
 Council Chambers  
 4500 Knox Road  
 College Park, Maryland 20740

**THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
 Progress on Streamlining the Prince George's County Permitting Processes

Join the Prince George's County Council for a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the delivery of health services in Prince George's County.

**Wednesday, November 16, 2011**  
 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Gwynn Park Middle School  
 8000 Dyson Road  
 Brandywine, MD 20613

From day one, this Council has been committed to Working for YOU as a collaborative body to make decisions in the best interests of the citizens of Prince George's County. This budget reflects the collective work of each member of this legislative body. I cannot thank and congratulate my colleagues enough for their hard work, dedication, and the significant contributions invested to achieve this final budget package.

County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III presented a good fiscal plan to the Council, and we deeply appreciated his working together with the Council this budget season. As ONE COUNTY we produced a solid financial plan for moving Prince George's County to the next level.

This County has fantastic employees and this budget was not accomplished without the outstanding support and performance of our Legislative Branch, Executive Branch, and Bi-County agency staff. As part of the Council's fiduciary role to oversee the County's finances, the County Council is aware of the challenging economic times our citizens and employees continue to face. This budget plan again solidifies our commitment to County employees, who deserve acknowledgement for their sacrifices which have contributed to the County's \$159 million undesignated fund balance, and enabled the Council enhancements to the County's new spending plan.

Working for YOU, the Council continues to urge the Executive to consider a one-time payment, or partial furlough reimbursement to all employees in a manner that would not add to the County's structural deficit. While we are committed to maintaining County reserves, the Council has ensured that sufficient funding is available to provide a \$750 one-time payment to County employees. This would offer a clear demonstration of support for County employees, without negatively impacting our long-term finances. We have also strongly recommended to the Administration that multi-year collective bargaining agreements with union employees be pursued. The state of Maryland has already implemented a similar plan. The County Council has communicated its support for such a one-time payment in the Fiscal Year 2012 Adopted Budget by leaving sufficient funds available for such payment.

Working for YOU, the Prince George's County Council concludes our budget process with the adoption of a \$2.7 Billion balanced spending plan for Prince George's County in Fiscal Year 2012, in line with our legislative priorities, your legislative priorities – Creating Jobs, Economic Development, Health, Public Safety, and Education.

The entire County Council truly values the participation, partnership and commitment of our citizens as we work to make Prince George's County the best we can be. This year, this Council, Working for YOU, reached out with an offsite, evening "Budget Town Hall Meeting"; launched our first-ever County Council Budget web page; and provided budget hearings and work sessions for public viewing on Prince George's Community Television.

**A Budget That Works for YOU**

Together with Council-initiated enhancements, we approved a Fiscal Year 2012 Budget that sends a clear and unmistakable message to our citizens – We heard you. We listened. We are Working for YOU! Understanding the value of infrastructure to economic development, citizens asked for jobs, and road and

# FY 12 BUDGET

## Message from the Chair

sidewalk improvements. Working for YOU, this budget provides more than \$10 Million for road resurfacing and a goal of at least 51% of those jobs will put County residents to work.

We provided \$50 Million in contingency funds that will be used to spur economic development and job creation in Prince George's County, and we congratulate County Executive Baker for having the vision to invest in the future of the County.

Under the most difficult fiscal constraints we have faced, major efforts have been made by the County Council and County Executive to maintain the school system and County core services. The Board of Education receives the lion's share of available County revenue—nearly 61% of County dollars in FY 2012. We heard the citizens when they said the Reading Recovery Program is critical to student success; Specialty Transportation is necessary for students to more fully participate in educational opportunities; and the learning experience at Camp Schmidt should be maintained as a free and once-in-a-lifetime opportunity with great teachers. Working for YOU, the Council restored \$7.5 Million to maintain core activities which have a significant impact on student achievement.

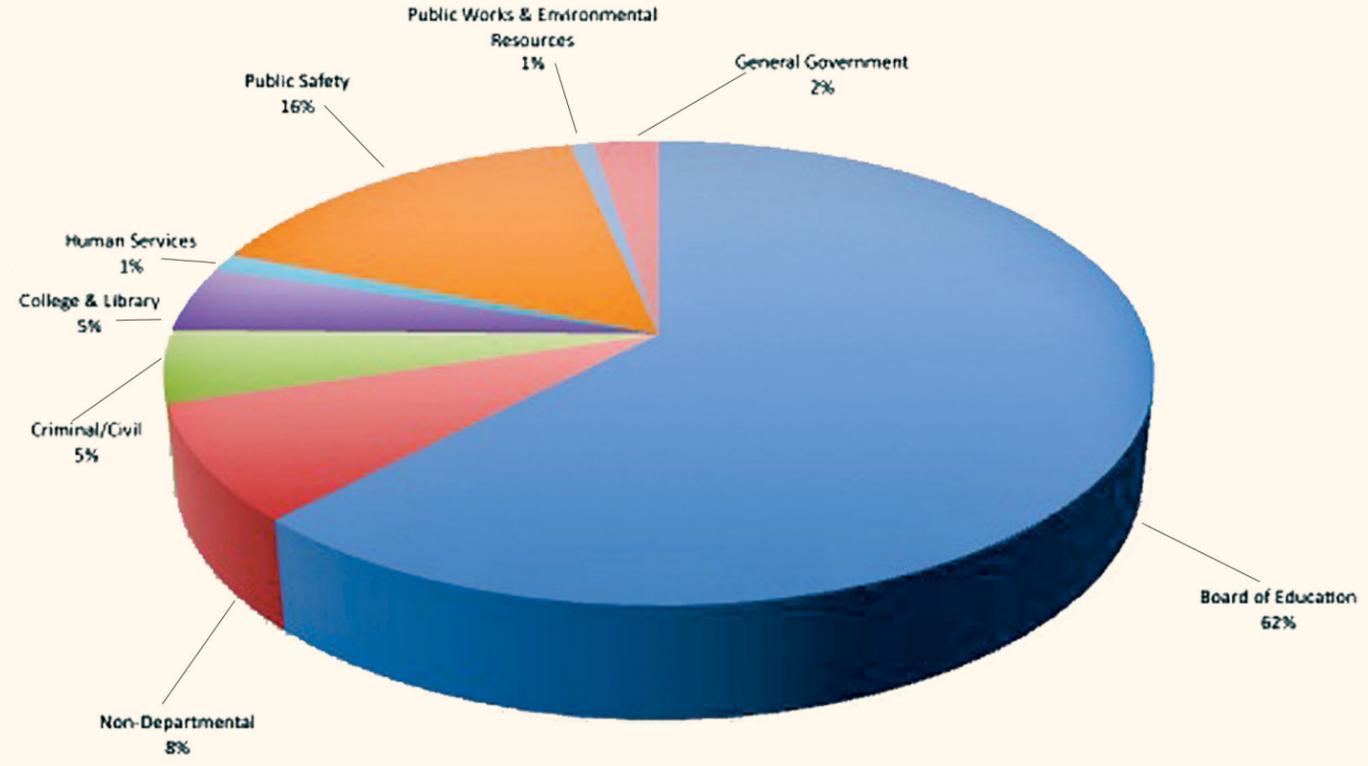
We heard you when you said our nonprofit partners, who often stand in the gap to ensure vital services to citizens who need them, require our support. Working for YOU, the County Council restored funding to nonprofit organizations to last year's \$2.6 Million level.

Residents expressed to this Council that healthy communities are paramount to enhancing our quality of life in Prince George's County. Working for YOU, this Council provided support for the first-ever Master Plan for Health Improvement, and the first-ever Countywide Master Plan for Recreation Facilities.

Public Safety is a core responsibility of local government. This Council remains committed to achieving safer communities by providing public safety resources. We listened when citizens said they wanted substantial investment into safer communities. Working for YOU, the budget includes additional police and firefighters, and \$3.2 Million to update aging firefighting apparatus in the County.

During these tough economic times, those most in need in our County come to us for help. They may require assistance with transitional housing, meals, mental health or senior services, just to name a few. While we maintain careful watch over County spending, we have a responsibility to provide such social, family, and health supports to the citizens who need them. Working for YOU, the Council added \$658,000 to our Health and Human Services agencies for a total budget of nearly \$29 Million in FY 2012 to improve the quality of life for those in need.

In closing, on behalf of my colleagues, it has been our privilege to adopt a balanced spending plan for FY 2012 that Works for YOU, providing a thriving environment and improving the quality of life for our residents to live, work and play in a healthier, safer, and wealthier Prince George's County. Thank You.



### County Council Budget Review and Adoption:

During the months of April and May, County Council staff review the Proposed Operating and Capital budgets, with the County's Office of Management and Budget staff and departmental representatives. The County Council is required to hold two public hearings on the Proposed Budget. The Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, completes the review of the Proposed Budget by mid-May. The County Council must adopt the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance before June 1. Subsequently, the Council submits the Ordinance to the County Executive for signature. The Adopted Budget takes effect on July 1, the first day of the new Fiscal Year.



# 2011 COUNTY COUNCIL BILLS

## **CB-001-2011**

An Ordinance for the purpose of making clarifying amendments to the County law regarding the exercise of certain powers of the District Council by municipal corporations

## **CB-003-2011**

An Act concerning taxicabs and limousines for the purpose of amending provisions of the County Code regulating taxicabs relating to the transfer of and number of certificates of registration and driver's licenses.

## **CB-004-2011**

An Act establishing an Economic Development Incentive Fund (the "Fund"); specifying the purpose and uses of the Fund; providing for the financing and administration of the Fund; and generally providing for the Fund

## **CB-005-2011**

An Ordinance for the purpose of amending lot coverage regulations in the Open Space Zone and Residential Agriculture Zone under certain conditions.

## **CB-013-2011**

An Ordinance amending the definition and regulations for Residential Revitalization.

## **CB-014-2011**

An Ordinance allowing buildings or structures used by Churches or Similar Places of Worship located in residential zones to be eighty (80) feet in height, provided that, for each one (1) foot increase in height, every yard is increased by one (1) foot.

## **CB-015-2011**

An Act establishing Subtitle 32, the Water Quality Resources and Grading Code, concerning grading, drainage and pollution control; erosion and sediment control; storm water management, and accessibility for the disabled; and repealing certain provisions of Subtitle 4 to be added to Subtitle 32

## **CB-016-2011**

An Act concerning contracts for the purpose of amending the Code to allow the use of Project Labor Agreements on County construction projects in excess of \$1,000,000.

## **CB-017-2011**

An Act concerning Economic Development and Local Employment enhancing the County's economic development by creating bidding preferences and participation requirements for County-based businesses and County-based small businesses on certain procurement contracts for goods and services with the County; establishing a First Source Hiring Program; requiring "best efforts" for meeting a certain local hiring percentage goal for positions on certain

projects funded by the County, quarterly audit reports, a first source registry, authorizing the use of Community Benefit Agreements on County assisted developments; authorizing Labor Peace Agreements for developments; giving priority to County-based Minority Business Enterprises in all Minority Business Enterprise goals for minority contracting and purchasing in the County.

## **CB-018-2011**

An Emergency Act of amending County regulations concerning dance hall premises, owners, lessors, operators, managers, promoters and patrons, establishing license requirements, setting penalties for violators, declaring specific legislative intent to establish reasonable and uniform laws to reduce the number of violent crimes that occur as a result of events at dance halls and to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and residents of Prince George's County and declaring that a public emergency exists affecting the public health, safety, and welfare.

## **CB-019-2011**

An Act requiring for the County to develop and operate a website that includes information for certain County expenditures, providing guidelines for public access to the information on the website and generally relating to governing public access to information about County payments.

## **CB-021-2011**

An Act authorizing the Director of Environmental Resources to administer and enforce the County's noise control program, adopting by reference certain provisions of the Maryland Department of Environment Noise Regulations, providing a standard of measurement of permissible noise levels in a residential area under certain conditions, and providing civil penalties for violations of this section.

## **CB-022-2011**

An Ordinance clarifying that a gas station located within a Waterfront Entertainment/Retail Complex may include a car wash as an accessory use provided the car wash is within or is part of the building(s) for which design and architecture are approved in the Detailed Site Plan for the gas station.

## **CB-023-2011**

An Act approving the Prince George's County portion of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission budget and making appropriations and levying certain taxes for FY 2012-13 for the M-NCPPC

## **CB-024-2011**

An Act concerning FY 2011-2012 Current Expense and Capital Budgets

## **CB-027-2011**

An Act concerning Supplementary Appropriations for the purpose of declaring additional revenue and appropriating to the General Fund Outside Sources to provide funds for costs that were not anticipated in the Approved Fiscal Year 2011 Budget.

## **CB-028-2011**

An Act increasing the County recordation tax rate to Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$2.50) for each Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) on all instruments of writing subject to the tax

## **CB-029-2011**

An Ordinance for the purpose of requiring the Planning Board to refer Detailed Site Plan and Specific Design Plan applications to the Prince George's County Police Department to ensure implementation of the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), and establishing referral requirements for Specific Design Plan applications

## **CB-030-2011**

A Subdivision Bill amending certain definitions, revising certain regulations, and clarifying grandfather provisions concerning environmental features in the Subdivision Ordinance.

## **CB-032-2011**

An Act for the purpose of adding or amending certain definitions and otherwise clarifying applicability and certain regulatory requirements of the Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Ordinance.

## **CB-033-2011**

An Act for the purpose of clarifying applicability requirements, amending regulations, providing certain exemptions, and codifying waiver procedures from requirements of the Tree Canopy Ordinance.

## **CB-034-2011**

An Ordinance for the purpose of clarifying the definition of Natural Resource Inventory, amending environmental submission requirements and required findings concerning applications for certain zoning map amendments, permits, conceptual site plans, detailed site plans, and clarifying applicability requirements in the Zoning Ordinance.

## **CB-035-2011**

An Ordinance for the purpose of clarifying Sectional Map Amendment procedures for Sector Plans and amending certain definitions.

## **CB-036-2011**

An Act concerning Administration for the purpose of requiring an audit of the accounts maintained by the County Executive and County Council Members upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the term of the County Executive or a County Council Member.

## **CB-039-2011**

An Act making amendments to certain parking restrictions, violations and fines in the County; and generally relating to parking regulations.

## **CB-040-2011**

An Act concerning residential parking permit areas for the purpose of providing for residents approval of a designated parking permit area; providing for ineligibility within a designated parking permit area; providing for exemptions within a designated

parking permit area; providing for the issuance of permits; requiring the Prince George's Revenue Authority to promulgate regulations for the administration of parking permit areas; and generally relating to parking permit areas.

## **CB-041-2011**

An Ordinance requiring the Planning Board to refer Conceptual Site Plan, Detailed Site Plan, Comprehensive Design Plan, Specific Design Plan, and Master Plan proposals to the Prince George's County Health Department for a health impact assessment review identifying the health impacts or implications of proposed development on the community, and establishing referral requirements for Specific Design Plan applications.

## **CB-042-2011**

An Act establishing the homestead property tax credit for the County property tax for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2012, as required by State Law

## **CB-043-2011**

An Act amending provisions of the County Code to allow issuance of minority business enterprise certifications to entities at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by minority individuals; add Native Americans to the definition of minority individuals; refine the definitions of certain groups identified in the definition of minority individuals; and generally relating to certifications of minority business enterprises.

## **CB-046-2011**

Executive Order No. 42-2011 (Reorganizational Proposal) Consolidation of Human Relations Commission

## **CB-047-2011**

An Act amending the provisions of the County Code relating to the Executive Director, staff, and budget of the Human Relations Commission

## **CB-048-2011**

An Act concerning Intradepartmental Transfer of Appropriations and Supplementary Appropriations for the purpose of transferring General Fund Non-Departmental appropriations from Contingency to Grants and Transfer Payments in order to provide funds for a transfer to the Special Revenue Fund for Economic Development Incentive; declaring additional revenue; and appropriating to the Internal Service Fund and Special Revenue Fund to provide funds for costs that were not anticipated and included in the Approved Fiscal Year 2012 Budget

## **CB-050-2011**

An Act for the purpose of eliminating the exemption for facilities located on State-owned property from inspection from the Prince George's County Health Department.

## **CB-051-2011**

An Ordinance concerning Car Sharing – Mixed Used and Overlay Zones – Parking Incentives

for the purpose of providing incentives for car sharing facilities in the Mixed Use, Transit District, and Development District Overlay Zones.

## **CB-053-2011**

An Ordinance concerning the Transit District Overlay Zone for the purpose of amending the regulations for the Transit District Overlay Zone to include adequate public facilities review under certain circumstances

## **CB-055-2011**

An Ordinance allowing nursing or care homes in the R-80 Zone under certain circumstances

## **CB-056-2011**

An Ordinance amending the definitions, and amending the requirements, for certain commercial or industrial uses in Commercial and Industrial Zones.

## **CB-057-2011**

An act concerning code enforcement and penalties for the purpose of making amendments to certain code enforcement provisions related to violations, fines and appeals in the County; and generally relating to code enforcement.

## **CB-058-2011**

An Act concerning vacant residential and commercial property maintenance for the purpose of amending registration requirements; providing maintenance standards for residential and commercial property subject to foreclosure; providing for enforcement by the Department of Environmental Resources; and generally relating to maintenance of foreclosed property.

## **CB-061-2011**

An Act concerning Prostitution Free Zones for the purpose of establishing Prostitution Free Zones and enforcement provisions.

## **CB-063-2011**

An Ordinance concerning zoning code enforcement and penalties for the purpose of making amendments to certain zoning code enforcement provisions related to violations, fines and appeals in the County; and generally relating to zoning code enforcement.

## **CB-064-2011**

An Act concerning 2011 Prince George's County Council Redistricting Plan For the purpose of enacting a plan of County Council district boundaries in accordance with Section 305 of the County Charter

## **CB-065-2011**

Executive Order No. 49-2011 (Reorganization Proposal) relating to the Fire Commission

## **CB-066-2011**

An Ordinance for the purpose of amending the definition of Gross Floor Area in the Zoning Ordinance

## **CB-067-2011**

An Ordinance concerning validity periods for Detailed Site Plans and Specific Design Plans for the purpose of temporarily extending the validity period of all approved applications for Detailed Site Plans

and Specific Design Plans with a valid status as of January 1, 2011.

## **CB-068-2011**

A Subdivision bill concerning validity periods for Preliminary Plans of Subdivision for the purpose of temporarily extending the validity period of all approved applications for Preliminary Plans of Subdivision with a valid status as of January 1, 2011.

## **CB-011-2011**

An Act amending the provisions for surety bond reductions posted for certain road construction and the payment of extension fees for road construction and storm drain permits until April 15, 2012

# 2011 COUNTY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

**CR-001-2011** A Resolution to approve a partial waiver of the adequate public safety facilities surcharge for all residential units within the mixed-use EYA Hyattsville Redevelopment Project.

**CR-002-2011** A Resolution concerning Prince George's County Redistricting Commission for the purpose of appointing the Prince George's County Redistricting Commission pursuant to the provision of Section 305 of the County Charter for establishing Council districts and requesting that the redistricting plan be submitted to the Council by September 1, 2011

**CR-003-2011** A Resolution recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the application of Daniel A. and Carol G. Donohue to permanently preserve their property, reference Tax Map 160/Grid E2/Parcel 6/Tax Account 05-0309427.

**CR-004-2011** A Resolution recommending that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation approves the application of the Estate of Francis Moore James Donohue to preserve their property, reference Tax Map 160/Grid E2/Parcel 46/Tax Account 05-0309443.

**CR-005-2011** A Resolution establishing a development board to implement recommendations for the development, redevelopment, and financing of certain County-owned property within the Bowie State MARC Station Sector Plan area.

**CR-006-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. P. Michael Errico as Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**CR-007-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. Brian R. Moe as Acting Director of Homeland Security

**CR-008-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. Mark A. Magaw as Acting Chief of Police

**CR-009-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. Samuel E. Wynkoop as Acting Director of Environmental Resources

**CR-010-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Ms. Stephanye R. Maxwell as Acting Director of Human Resources Management

**CR-011-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. Thomas M. Himler as Acting Director of Management and Budget

**CR-012-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Ms. Gail D. Francis as Acting Director of Finance

**CR-013-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Ms. Betty Hager Francis as Acting Director of Housing and Community Development

**CR-014-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. Marc S. Bashoor as Acting Fire Chief

**CR-015-2011** A Resolution approving a substantial amendment to the Prince George's County FY 2011 Annual Action Plan to enable the County to receive \$1,802,242 in Neighborhood Stabilization Program ("NSP3") funding

**CR-016-2011** A Resolution concerning Maryland Offshore Wind Clean Energy Production for the purpose of expressing the support of the Prince George's County Council for the use offshore wind turbines off the coast of Maryland as a means to produce clean energy for the State.

**CR-017-2011** A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc., to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

**CR-018-2011** A Resolution amending the Salary Plan of the County to provide the continuation of certain military leave benefits

**CR-019-2011** A Resolution for the purpose of expressing the County Council's support for the Education Funding Rally event scheduled on March 14, 2011 in Annapolis, Maryland and encouraging the Maryland General Assembly, Prince George's County Senate and House Delegations, and the Governor of the State of Maryland to restore full funding to the Prince George's County Public Schools in the fiscal year 2012 Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act.

**CR-020-2011** A Resolution concerning the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan (December 2010 Amendment Cycle) to change the water and sewer category designations within the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan

**CR-021-2011** A Resolution concerning the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan (Reaching Hearts International, Inc. 2010 Amendment Cycle) to change the water and sewer category designations within the 2008 Water and Sewer Plan

**CR-023-2011** A Resolution establishing a Service Consolidation and Cost Reductions Task Force to identify opportunities for the consolidation of services currently performed independently by both the Board of Education and the Government of Prince George's County to provide cost savings in both Board of Education and County budgets.

**CR-024-2011** A Resolution concerning Supplementary Appropriations of Federal, State and other funds in the amount of \$7,855,204 to support grant programs in the Police Department, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Social Services, Soil Conservation District, Fire/EMS Department, Office of and Homeland Security, Health Department, and Department of Family Services

**CR-026-2011** A Resolution approving and adopting the Prince George's County Fiscal Year 2012 Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan

**CR-027-2011** A Resolution for the purpose of expressing the County Council's support for establishing a Health Care Improvement Plan which assesses Health and Healthcare in Prince George's County and promotes access to quality healthcare for the residents of the County, including a long-term solution to the County healthcare system.

**CR-028-2011** A Resolution establishing the Prince George's Green Business Advisory Board to review and evaluate the County's green business opportunities and to recommend appropriate policies and regulations to implement a green business tax credit program in the County.

**CR-029-2011** A resolution for the purpose of amending the program regulations for the Purchase of Development Rights Program.

**CR-030-2011** A Resolution expressing the County Council's recognition of the Keep America Beautiful 2011 Great American Cleanup.

**CR-033-2011** A Resolution concerning Adequate Transportation Facilities – Brandywine Road Club for the purpose of suspending the Brandywine Road Club as a means of satisfying the adequate transportation facilities requirement in considering proposals for development in the Brandywine area

**CR-034-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Mr. Eric C. Brown as Acting Director of Housing and Community Development

**CR-035-2011** A Resolution approving the re-certification and continuation of the Prince George's County Arts and Entertainment District

**CR-036-2011** A Resolution transferring surplus appropriations reflecting savings from Non-Departmental and the Office of Law to the Personnel Board, Office of Finance, Office of Management and Budget, Board of Elections, Office of Central Services, Office of Human Resources Management, Office of Community Relations, Office of Homeland Security, and Non-Departmental.

**CR-038-2011** A Resolution revising the County's policy for the use of the Tax Increment Financing and other financial tools and incentives to fund economic and community development projects and initiatives in Prince George's County.

**CR-039-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Ms. Monica J. Johnson as Acting Director of Central Services

**CR-040-2011** A Resolution concerning Preparation of a New Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) and Approval of Goals, Concepts, Guidelines, and a Public Participation Program for the Greenbelt Metro Area and MD 193 Corridor, which is a Portion of Planning Area 67 for the purpose of initiating an amendment to the 1989 Approved Master Plan for Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt and Vicinity; 1990 Adopted Sectional Map Amendment for Planning Areas 65, 66, and 67; and 2001 Approved Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment for the Greenbelt Metro Area; and approving the Goals, Concepts, Guidelines, and Public Participation Program.

**CR-041-2011** A Resolution concerning the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Capital and Operating Budgets for Fiscal Year 2011 for the purpose of approving a budget supplement to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) Capital and Operating Budgets for Fiscal Year 2011 and the WSSC Capital Improvements Program Fiscal Year 2011 to 2016.

**CR-042-2011** A Resolution approving Fiscal Year 2012 Operating and Capital Budgets of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and recommendation of Water and Sewer rates and Ad Valorem Tax Levies for Fiscal Year 2012.

**CR-043-2011** A Resolution approving the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Fiscal Years 2012-2017 Capital Improvement Program and FY 2012 Capital Budget for Prince George's County for Water and Sewerage

**CR-044-2011** A Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2012 Washington Suburban Transit Commission's Administrative Budget

**CR-045-2011** A Resolution concerning the Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program of the Revenue Authority of Prince George's County

**CR-046-2011** A Resolution concerning the Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program of the Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County

**CR-047-2011** A Resolution modifying the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) System Development Charge (SDC) to help finance capital costs and to provide for full and/or partial waivers of the charge for certain revitalization, biotechnology, and elderly housing projects.

**CR-048-2011** A Resolution declaring certain parcels of County-owned Real Property as surplus, and approving the County Executive's plan for disposal of such parcels

**CR-050-2011** A Resolution concerning Public Safety Surcharge for the purpose of adjusting the Public Safety Surcharge for inflation for Fiscal Year 2012, beginning July 1, 2011, as required by State Law

**CR-051-2011** A Resolution concerning School Facilities Surcharge for the purpose of adjusting the school facilities surcharge for inflation for Fiscal Year 2012, beginning July 1, 2011, as required by State law

**CR-053-2011** A Resolution imposing and levying the tax rates and causing to be raised the amount of taxes required by the adopted budget so as to balance the budget as to proposed income and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011; and to set forth the State tax levy and the Storm water Management District tax levy.

**CR-054-2011** A Resolution approving the enactment of Ordinance 11-0-03 amending Chapter 190 of the Code of the City of College Park, concerning municipal zoning authority.

**CR-055-2011** Resolution establishing and providing for the compensation of the Chairperson of the Prince George's County Planning Board

**CR-056-2011** A Resolution addressing the geographic distribution and balance of the membership of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, confirming Elizabeth M. Hewlett to serve as a member of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and as Chairperson of the Prince George's County Planning Board to serve on a full-time basis

**CR-057-2011** A Resolution addressing the geographic distribution and balance of the membership of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and confirming A. Shuanise Washington as a member

**CR-058-2011** A Resolution addressing the geographic distribution and balance of the membership of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and confirming Dorothy F. Bailey as a member

**CR-059-2011** A Resolution directing that a special election is held to fill a vacancy on the County Council and to establish the dates for conducting the special primary election, the special election, and the deadline for the certification of candidacy.

**CR-060-2011** A Resolution approving the enactment of Ordinance -12-11 amending Chapter 26 of the Code of the City of Bowie, concerning municipal zoning authority.

**CR-062-2011** A Resolution for the purpose of expressing the County Council's support for declaring September 22, 2011 as Car Free Day in Prince George's County as part of international mobility week in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region.

**CR-063-2011** A Resolution amending provisions of the Prince George's County Procurement Regulations to add Native Americans to the definition of minority individuals and refine the definitions of certain groups identified in the definition of minority individuals

**CR-064-2011** A Resolution concerning Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the purpose of amending certain revenues and expenditures in the Approved Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2011.

**CR-065-2011** A Resolution designating the Prince George's County Police Department as the Primary Law Enforcement Unit for Prince George's County to receive records in accordance with Annotated Code of Maryland, Business Regulations Article, Section 17-1011(b)

**CR-066-2011** A Resolution concerning Economic Development Week for the purpose of expressing Prince George's County's support for declaring the week of October 24-28, 2011 as Economic Development Week in Prince George's County

**CR-067-2011** A Resolution establishing spending control limits on the Fiscal Year 2013 Water and Sewer Operating and Capital Budgets of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC)

**CR-068-2011** A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by The Red Devils to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

**CR-069-2011** A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by CASA de Maryland, Inc., to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

**CR-070-2011** A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by Jehovah Jireh Community Development Center, Inc. to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

**CR-071-2011** A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc., to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

**CR-072-2011** A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by the Alice Ferguson Foundation to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

**CR-073-2011** A Resolution concerning Supplementary Appropriations of Federal, State and other funds in the amount of \$1,207,155 for the Police Department, Office of Homeland Security, Department of Social Services, Health Department and Department of Family Services

**CR-074-2011** A Resolution concerning Supplementary Appropriations of Federal, State and other funds in the amount of \$5,100,300 for the Department of Family Services, Department of Social Services, Health Department, Department of Corrections, Police Department, Office of the Sheriff, Department of Public Works and Transportation, Circuit Court and the Office of the State's Attorney

**CR-075-2011** A Resolution addressing the geographic distribution and balance of the membership of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and confirming John P. Shoaff as a member.

**CR-076-2011** A Resolution initiating an amendment to the 1981 Adopted Functional Master Plan for Parks, Recreation and Open Space and 2002 General Plan and approving Goals, Concepts, Guidelines, and a Public Participation Program in order to develop a comprehensive approach to the provision of park, recreation, and open space recommendations consistent with County policies

**CR-077-2011** A Resolution extending the appointment of Pamela Brown Creekmur as Acting Health Officer for Prince George's County

**CR-078-2011** A Resolution for the purpose of expressing the County Council's continued support for the development of new high-capacity, fixed-route transit service on the 18.8-mile MD Route 5/US Route 301 corridor alignment between the Branch Avenue Metrorail Station in Prince George's County and Waldorf/White Plains in Charles County.

**CR-079-2011** A Resolution approving the application by Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for funding through the Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund

**CR-080-2011** A Resolution approving the application by Prince George's County, Maryland, to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for funding through the Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund

**CR-081-2011** A Resolution amending the Salary Plan of the County to reflect modified benefits for General Schedule Employees.

**CR-082-2011** A Resolution extending the reporting date for the Prince George's Green Business Advisory Board to review and evaluate the County's green business opportunities and to recommend appropriate policies and regulations to implement a green business tax credit program in the County.

**CR-083-2011** A Resolution concerning Video Lottery Terminal Facilities for the purpose of expressing support for conditioning the approval of any location of video lottery terminal facilities in Prince George's County on the preference designated by a majority of County voters in a statewide referendum on video lottery terminal facilities.

# Council Members meet on the Regional and State Level



*Representing Prince George's County!*



Working for YOU, the Prince George's County Council remained committed in the 2011 Legislative Year to developing partnerships that move the County forward. Effective service to our citizens requires collaboration and teamwork between elected and public officials, and other stakeholders at the federal, state, and local levels.

During the 2011 Legislative Year, the County Council held timely discussions about shared priorities and solutions to overcome shared challenges. Council Members also represented the interests and concerns of Prince George's County in continued relationships with national, regional, and local organizations as important work to achieve shared priorities for economic development, job creation, education, healthcare, and public safety progressed.



The following information is provided as a guide to public participation in County Council meetings. When you are called by the presiding officer, please follow these steps:

- Come forward to the speaker's podium and state your name and address.
- Relax.
- Present your comments as succinctly as possible. Avoid duplicate testimony.
- Confine your remarks to three minutes, if the presiding officer has indicated time limits are in effect.
- If you have a written statement, please submit your statement and other any supporting materials to the Clerk.

## RULES OF COURTESY

We welcome and encourage your interest and involvement in the process of representative government. To ensure fair and orderly meetings, the Council has adopted rules which apply to all Members of the Council, administrative staff, news media, citizens and visitors. The procedures provide:

- No one shall delay or interrupt the proceedings or refuse to obey the orders of the presiding officer.
- Posters or placards must remain outside the Council Hearing Room.
- No smoking is permitted in the County Administration Building.
- Citizens are admitted up to the Fire Safety capacity of the Hearing Room. Overflow crowds may listen to proceedings on loudspeakers provided in the lobby area.
- The use of cellular phones is prohibited in the Hearing Room.

*Prince George's County Council Sessions are formal proceedings and all comments are recorded for public record. Members of the audience are provided an opportunity to address the Council prior to the close of each meeting. Participation is also welcomed during the public hearing process. Those wishing to testify during the public hearing should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Council at 301-952-3600 for placement on the advance speakers list. Registrations are also accepted in the Hearing Room.*



"Interviews with Ingrid" is an award-winning half-hour, cable television program produced by the Prince George's County Council and hosted by 2011 Legislative Year Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner.

Featuring in-depth interviews with County and community leaders, "Interviews with Ingrid" asked probing questions, explored complex community issues, and provided a fresh perspective for viewers. The program spotlighted how County and community leaders are "Working for YOU" to make a measurable difference in the lives of County residents. "Interviews with Ingrid" received the Community Access Magic (CAM) Award for Government Affairs programming, presented during the 14th Annual CTV CAM Awards in 2011.

subject to join her on "Interviews With Ingrid." Prince George's County Health Officer Dr. Donald Shell, and Dimensions President and CEO Kenneth Glover, shared their thoughts on the primary health concerns and challenges facing Prince George's County and what is being done to address those issues. The interview ended with a discussion about the development and delivery of a comprehensive healthcare plan for Prince George's County and the resources necessary to create a world-class healthcare system in the County.

**Ronnie Gathers**  
Director, Parks and Recreation  
M-NCPPC  
**Julie McHale**  
City of Greenbelt Director of Recreation



What types of services are provided by the M-NCPPC Department of Parks and Recreation? What is being done in Prince George's County to increase access to healthy activities? For the answers to these and other questions about how the Department of Parks and Recreation is making Prince George's County healthier, Chair Turner invited Director Ronnie Gathers to the set to share his thoughts. Gathers says, "It is our great mission as professionals, citizens and people seeking healthy futures for our children to connect people of all ages to the opportunities and places that keep us going in both mind and body." For the second half of the program, City of Greenbelt Director of Recreation Julie McHale shared with residents the many ways Greenbelt is working to make communities stronger through exercise and civic engagement.

**The Honorable Karen R. Toles**  
Prince George's County Council Member - District 7  
**The Honorable Mel Franklin**  
Prince George's County Council Member - District 9



Chair Turner welcomed the opportunity to share the "Interviews With Ingrid" set with two of her newest colleagues, District 7 Council Member Karen R. Toles and District 9 Council Member Mel Franklin, for a two-part series on local governance. Council Member Toles provided viewers with a profile of District 7 communities and reflected on her time on the County Council since the 2010 election, including her work on the County Budget. Council Member Franklin provided an insightful view of District 9 communities, and reviewed legislation on the horizon to bring much needed jobs to Prince George's County.

**The Honorable Mary A. Lehman**  
Prince George's County Council Member - District 1  
**The Honorable Obie Patterson**  
Prince George's County Council Member - District 8



For the final segment of a two-part series on local governance, Council Member Turner invited District 1 Council Member Mary Lehman and District 8 Council Member Obie Patterson, both serving their first terms, to "Interviews with Ingrid." Council Member Lehman discussed her previous work with the residents of District One as the Legislative Aide for former Council Member Tom Dernoga and how it helped her hit the ground running as a Member of the County Council. Council Member Patterson, a former State Delegate, shared his thoughts on the differences between state and local government, and how his past experience benefits his service to the residents of District 8.



**Evelyn Kim Rhim**  
Executive Director,  
The Training Source, Inc.  
**Glen O'Gilvie**  
Chief Executive Officer, Center for Nonprofit Advancement

Nonprofits play an important role in the success of Prince George's County's residents and communities. With this thought in mind, Chair Turner dialogued with Center for Nonprofit Advancement CEO Glen O'Gilvie, and The Training Source, Inc. Executive Director Evelyn Kim Rhim on the set of "Interviews with Ingrid." Mr. O'Gilvie shared his thoughts on the critical work of nonprofits in the local community and how the Center for Nonprofit Advancement supports nonprofits across the region. Ms. Rhim discussed how The Training Source, despite the rise in unemployment, is working with County residents to provide job training, placement and follow-up services.



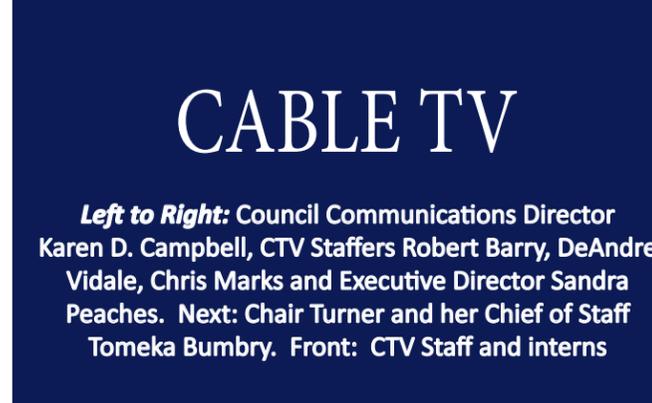
**James Dinegar**  
President and CEO of Greater Washington Board of Trade

As the largest regional network of business and non-profit leaders, The Greater Washington Board of Trade addresses business concerns that span geographic boundaries. For a conversation about the critical issues facing our region, Council Chair Turner turned to President and CEO James Dinegar for a half-hour discussion focusing on Prince George's County's business potential and economic growth. The Greater Washington Board of Trade represents major business interests throughout Northern Virginia, the District of Columbia and Suburban Maryland working to improve regional mobility, advance emergency preparedness and business continuity efforts and promote sustainability as a significant opportunity for regional businesses and the environment.



**Interviews With Ingrid - Final Edition**  
**Tomeka C. Bumbry**  
Chief of Staff, District 4  
Prince George's County Council

Viewers were treated to a very special guest for the final edition of "Interviews with Ingrid." Council Chair Turner switched roles - from cable show host to honored guest - discussing her leadership role with the Council during Legislative Year 2012. Interviewed by guest host and District 4 Chief of Staff Tomeka Bumbry, Council Chair Turner highlighted many of the Council's Legislative Year 2011 achievements including Board of Health initiatives; the County Council's first series of Town Hall Meetings; budget accomplishments; a heightened level of civic engagement; and a more open and transparent County Council.



**CABLE TV**

Left to Right: Council Communications Director Karen D. Campbell, CTV Staffers Robert Barry, DeAndre Vidale, Chris Marks and Executive Director Sandra Peaches. Next: Chair Turner and her Chief of Staff Tomeka Bumbry. Front: CTV Staff and interns

Programs produced by the Prince George's County Council are aired on Prince George's Community Television (CTV), Public Access, and Government and Public Affairs Access channels.

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

COMCAST Channel 70  
VERIZON Channel 41

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COMMUNITY TELEVISION/PUBLIC ACCESS**

COMCAST Channel 76  
VERIZON Channel 42

The County Council program hosted by the presiding Council Chair, airs Thursdays at 11:30 a.m., and again at 8:30 p.m. on the Government and Public Affairs Access channel.

The program airs on the CTV Public Access channel on Mondays at 11:30 a.m. and again on Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

**The Honorable Rushern L. Baker, III**  
Prince George's County Executive

The premiere edition of "Interviews with Ingrid" featured an in-depth discussion with Prince George's County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III, about his first 120 days in office. Chair Turner and County Executive Baker also discussed their shared priorities including education, economic development, and improving access to quality healthcare.



**The Honorable Douglas J.J. Peters**  
Maryland State Senator and  
Prince George's County Senate  
Delegation Chair

**The Honorable Melony G. Griffith**  
Maryland State Delegate and  
Prince George's House Delegation Chair

For vital dialogue on how Prince George's County fared in Annapolis following the 2011 Maryland General Assembly, Chair Turner turned to Prince George's County Senate Delegation Chair, Maryland State Senator Douglas J.J. Peters (D-District 23), and Prince George's County House Delegation Chair, Maryland State Delegate Melony G. Griffith (D-District 25). Chair Turner and Senator Peters discussed economic opportunities in Prince George's County, including the future of horse racing in the state. In her conversation with Chair Turner, Delegate Griffith as House Delegation Chair provided an overview of the collaboration between the County Delegation and other elected officials and stakeholders in Prince George's County, and how their working together benefits Prince George's County, especially in the areas of transportation, education, healthcare and infrastructure.



**Dr. Donald Shell**  
Prince George's County Health  
Officer  
**Kenneth Glover**  
Dimensions President and Chief  
Executive Officer

Access to quality healthcare is essential to a growing, thriving citizenry. For a conversation about healthy communities and access to quality care, Chair Turner invited Prince George's County's foremost authorities on the



# Council in the Community

TRANSPARENCY

ETHICS



EDI SIGNING IN SUITLAND, MD



REDSKINS TURKEY GIVEAWAY FEDEX FIELD IN LANDOVER, MD



GROCERY BAG GIVEAWAY IN LAUREL, MD



COMMITTEE MEETING AT NATIONAL HARBOR, MD



VARSITY OPENING IN COLLEGE PARK, MD



HEATS ON / WATERS OFF WATERS OFF VOLUNTEERING



HEATHER HILLS TRAIL RIBBON CUTTING IN BOWIE, MD



COMMUNITY COFFEE IN OXON HILL, MD



CELEBRATING DISTRICT 9 DAY IN CLINTON, MD



WALKATHON IN LARGO, MD



CHARITY EVENT IN HYATTSVILLE, MD



## TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVES FOR GREATER GOVERNMENTAL OPENNESS AND ACCESSIBILITY

*Working for YOU*

Prince George's County Council Members, upon taking the Oath of Office, promised to improve County Government. 2011 Legislative Year Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner committed to lead a Council that would provide a more transparent government – one that empowered citizens and provided far-reaching levels of access never before available to the public.

Throughout the 2011 Legislative Year, the County Council implemented initiatives and reforms to promote transparency and greater public involvement in the activities of County Government. Council Members also worked collaboratively with County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III and the Prince George's County Delegation to take deliberate steps to lead County Government in the direction of being an even Greater County that every citizen can be proud to call home.

### *Completed Initiatives*

- County Council, District Council, and Board of Health sessions "Go Live" with online streaming, enabling greater access for citizens to the Council's legislative processes
- New Council web pages launched – Annual Retreat Summary; FY 2012 Budget; 2011 Redistricting Commission; Board of Health; and FY 2012 County Council Grants
- Revised and strengthened Council Grants processes and procedures
- Expanded role of Board of Health
- Encouraged greater public participation in Council activities with full, evening Council meetings at sites throughout the County and offsite Council Committee meetings

### *Initiatives In Process*

- Unfolding technology conversion project to transition from existing Legislative Information System to new codification and agenda management comprehensive solution to provide citizens with greater ability to engage in legislative processes, including sign-up for public participation in council meetings, and easier, user-friendly access to Council information
- Provide On-Demand video of Council meetings
- Provide digital signage as a new information tool for citizens and provide direction to Council offices and meetings.

# MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

## MESSAGE FROM THE HONORABLE ANDREA C. HARRISON 2012 LEGISLATIVE YEAR CHAIR

I am honored and profoundly grateful to have been voted by my colleagues as the new Chair of the Prince George's County Council for Legislative Year 2012. Your vote of confidence and the opportunity to lead this esteemed body, as we continue to work together on behalf of the residents of Prince George's County and strive to improve their lives, is indeed humbling and it is with this humility that I have accepted the Gavel of Leadership from my Council colleagues.

I remember my parents with deep love and appreciation - My late father, The Honorable James Fletcher, who passed away in 1994 while serving as Vice-Chair of the Prince George's County Council, and the Council Member representing District 5; and my late mother, Vernelle Fletcher, who proudly watched as I took the Oath of Office a year ago, and whose passing since is still so fresh. I carry their spirit of service, and their love for family and Prince George's County with me always. I want to thank everyone, including my colleagues on this dais, citizens, neighbors, and friends, for praying and staying with me.

I serve alongside eight of Prince George's County's finest and most passionate public servants, and I am very pleased that the distinguished gentleman from District Three, Council Member Eric Olson, has again accepted the challenge to lead, serving as Council Vice-Chair for Legislative Year 2012.

Together as "One Prince George's County," our Prince George's County Government can do even better by working smarter, more efficiently, streamlining how we do business, and helping to foster an environment that encourages growth. As Prince Georgians we face our challenges together, and it will take all of us--elected officials, citizens and residents of Prince George's County, business, non-profit, and faith communities, working together to accomplish our goals and move our beloved County forward. We won't always agree, but a successful team beats with one heart...for One Prince George's County. As elected officials, the Council, the County Executive, the Prince George's Board of Education and the entire Prince George's County Delegation must lead by example and demonstrate to one and all that by working together toward common goals Prince George's County can grow to even greater heights.

There are many critical public policy issues that our nation, this state, and our County must address in order to move forward - concerns citizens have told us are important to them and to this County. Foremost among those issues is securing our future by providing the quality education our children deserve, by not only improving our public education system but investing our resources into post-secondary educational opportunities and continued workforce development opportunities to create a jobs ready community work force. We must continue to work with our colleges and universities to grow a jobs-ready community workforce of plumbers, electricians, carpenters, mechanics, medical and dental assistants and more, and encourage growth of technical schools in the County to provide avenues of employment which will always provide gainful careers and contribute to a strong local economy.

We will continue to do everything within our power to ensure the public safety of our residents and utilize County resources to combat crime; intensify our focus on crime prevention with pro-youth, anti-bullying and anti-gang activities; and continue to allocate and better utilize County resources for public safety, particularly in high crime areas as we maximize the ability of our police force to respond to crime, and the ability of our Fire Department to respond to emergencies and increase fire safety awareness in our communities.

Committed to providing access to quality and affordable healthcare for our residents, we are immensely proud to have finally been able to sign a MOU that will create a Regional Health Center in Prince George's County. Working with the University of Maryland, Dimensions Healthcare, the state of Maryland, and the County Executive. We must make sure that our residents' healthcare issues are not just taken care of at a medical facility but also before they have to seek treatment. With that in mind it is a priority to improve our County's health ranking, tackling those healthcare issues that disproportionately affect our residents such as hypertension, diabetes, cancer, HIV and AIDS.

We understand that successfully addressing the County's budget priorities in Fiscal Year 2013 will demand creative and careful management of the County's finances, and a significant investment to grow One Prince George's County.

We must also continue our important legislative work to create additional new initiatives such as the "Jobs First" and Project Labor Agreement laws that require local hiring for County residents, boost contracting and procurement opportunities for Prince George's based-businesses; foster unprecedented economic opportunities for local, small and minority-owned businesses, and require community benefits for tax-funded developments. All of these goals must take place under an unwavering commitment to Good Government, continuing to foster a culture of transparency and increased public engagement by our residents.

Prince George's County has a rich history and a future full of promise. We will work together to tell our great story. I believe in the words of football great Vince Lombardi... "People who work together, will win."

Thank you. May God continue to bless each of you and God Bless Prince George's County.



### BOARD FOCUSES ON DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN BOWIE

The Bowie State MARC Station Development Board, established by the Prince George's County Council under Council Resolution 5-2011, convened for their first meeting on April 4, 2011. The board is charged with implementing recommendations for development, redevelopment, and financing of County-owned property within the Bowie State MARC Station Sector Plan Area.

### COUNCIL TOWN HALL MEETING EXAMINES THE STATE OF HEALTHCARE IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

More than 100 county residents gathered in Bowie on the evening of Tuesday, April 5, for "Healthy Communities - A Prince George's County Health System Update." The meeting, the second in a series of town hall meetings hosted by the Prince George's County Council, provided an open forum for community conversation about the state of healthcare in Prince George's County.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL BRIEFED BY STATE HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SECRETARY JOSHUA SHARFSTEIN, MD

The Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Board of Health, was briefed on the Maryland State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) by Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Secretary, Joshua Sharfstein, M.D. and Deputy Secretary Frances B. Phillips on Tuesday, May 10, 2011. At the request of Council Chair Ingrid Turner (D) - District 4, Secretary Sharfstein provided an overview of the State Health Improvement Plan, the first presentation of its kind before a County-level governing body in the State of Maryland, and the state's ongoing initiatives to improve access to quality healthcare. The State Health Improvement Plan presentation focused on what is envisioned for state health planning regionally and locally.

### COUNTY COUNCIL HOSTS "PREPARING TODAY'S WORKFORCE FOR A NEW GLOBAL ECONOMY"

The Prince George's County Council will host "Preparing Today's Workforce for a New Global Economy," an off-site town hall meeting focusing on workforce education in Prince George's County on Tuesday, June 14, 2011.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTS \$2.65 BILLION FY 2012 BUDGET

The Prince George's County Council today unanimously adopted a \$2.65 billion balanced budget for Fiscal Year 2012. The budget becomes effective with the new Fiscal Year which begins July 1, 2011. Overall, County schools received 61% of available revenues in Fiscal Year 2012. The County Council resorted \$7.5 million to maintain core activities that have a significant impact on student achievement.

### MARC STATION DEVELOPMENT

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS GO "LIVE" -- COUNTY COUNCIL, DISTRICT COUNCIL AND BOARD OF HEALTH SESSIONS STREAM LIVE ONLINE

Prince George's County Council Chair Ingrid Turner (D) - District 4, has announced "live" online streaming of County Council, District Council, and Board of Health sessions beginning Tuesday, July 5, 2011. Council sessions can be watched and heard "live" online by visiting the Council website, [www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/council](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/council). Click "Watch Live" to stream.

### COUNTY COUNCIL TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS

The Prince George's County Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 12, 2011, to receive public comment on potential locations for speed monitoring systems to regulate traffic in Prince George's County. The public hearing is a requirement of Council Bill 37-2009, which authorizes the use of speed monitoring systems and requires the County Council to hold at least one public hearing prior to installation.

### COUNCIL CHAIR INGRID M. TURNER ANNOUNCES FISCAL YEAR 2012 COUNTY COUNCIL GRANTS PROGRAM

Prince George's County Council Chair Ingrid M. Turner (D) - District 4, today announced details of the Fiscal Year 2012 County Council Grants Program and application process. In FY 2012, County Council designated grant funding for County non-profit organizations is derived from two sources—Special Appropriation Grants and Non-Departmental Designated Grants. The FY 2012 Approved County Budget, recently adopted by the County Council, includes specific grant allocations to 23 designated non-profit organizations in the amount of \$1,735,000.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY 2011 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION SUBMITS PROPOSED REDISTRICTING PLAN TO COUNTY COUNCIL

The 2011 Prince George's County Redistricting Commission submitted its proposed 2011 County Redistricting Plan, as required in Council Resolution 2-2011, to the County Council today, September 1, 2011. The proposed Plan is a re-draft of the redistricting draft maps unveiled by the Commission at its final public hearing on August 13, 2011, following a series of public work sessions, meetings and hearings.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL TO HOLD PEPCO AND BGE BRIEFING

The Prince George's County Council will be briefed by Pepco and Baltimore Gas and Electric (BGE) officials on the power restoration efforts following Hurricane Irene during Council session on Tuesday, September 27, 2011, 2:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS SWORN IN

The nine-member Prince George's County Council was administered the Oath of Office today by Clerk of the Court Marilyn M. Bland during a swearing-in ceremony held on the Promenade outside of the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro.

### COUNTY COUNCIL APPOINTS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

The Prince George's County Council, during Council session on Tuesday, January 25, 2011, approved CR-2-2011, appointing Sharon R. Taylor as Chair of the Prince George's County Redistricting Commission. The Council also appointed former Council Member and Maryland State Senator David C. Harrington and Tamara Davis-Brown, Esq. as commissioners charged with reestablishing the boundaries of the nine County Council Districts.

### COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND THE ENVIRONMENT TAKES MEETING TO THE COMMUNITY

The Prince George's County Council Committee on Transportation, Housing and the Environment (THE) travels to the Newton Green Senior Housing Complex in Bladensburg for its committee meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2011. The meeting begins at 10:00 a.m., with a walking tour of the Newton Green Senior Housing Complex, 5300 Newton Street in Bladensburg. The affordable housing project, which has a number of "green" features, also includes a computer lab, fitness center and arts program.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL HOSTS TWO CONGRESSIONAL VISITS

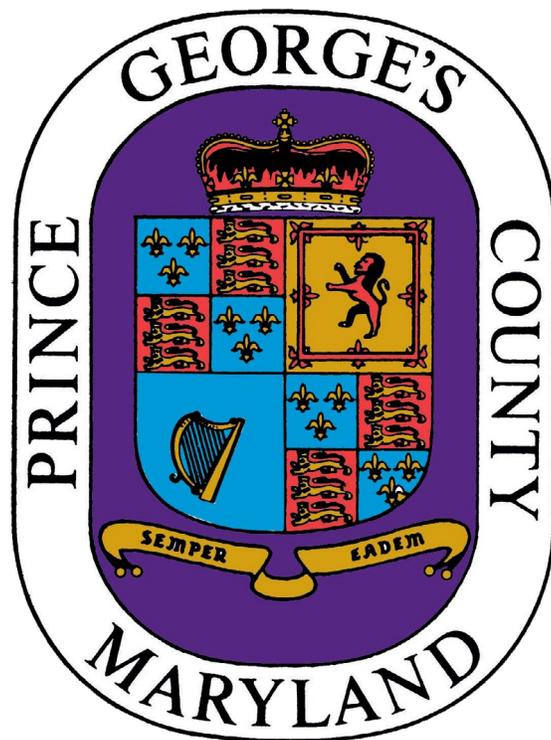
Prince George's County Council Members recently hosted visits from two U.S. Congress Members. Council Chair Ingrid Turner (D) - District 4 says the meetings with Congressman Chris Van Hollen (D-MD) and Congressman Steny Hoyer (D-MD), offered an opportunity to share legislative priorities and to begin an important partnership on behalf of County citizens and residents.

### COUNCIL RECOGNIZES HIGH ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT WITH COMMENDATIONS TO POSSE SCHOLARS

The Prince George's County Council, during session on Tuesday, February 15, 2011, presented formal commendations to the twelve Prince George's County high school seniors selected as 2010 - 2011 Posse Scholars by Posse Foundation, Inc.

### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL HOLDS BUDGET TOWN HALL MEETING

The Prince George's County Council will hold a Budget Town Hall Meeting on Monday, February 28, 2011, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the Largo Student Center of Prince George's Community College, Community Room B, 301 Largo Road in Largo, Maryland.



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