

BALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2026, LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 19
October 19, 2026 6:00 P.M.

A. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ertel at 6:08 P.M. The Chairman asked the audience to rise for a moment of silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were approximately 68 persons in attendance and the following Councilmembers were present:

PAT YOUNG
IZZY PATOKA
NINO MANGIONE
JULIAN E. JONES
DAVID MARKS
MICHAEL ERTEL

FIRST DISTRICT
SECOND DISTRICT
THIRD DISTRICT
FOURTH DISTRICT
FIFTH DISTRICT
SIXTH DISTRICT

Councilman Crandell was absent the entire meeting.

B. APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

Upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Young, the reading of the Journal Entries for the meeting of October 5, 2026 was waived and accepted unanimously by the six Councilmembers present.

C. ENROLLMENT OF BILLS

The Chairman stated that the following Bills were passed by the County Council and signed by the County Executive. He certified and delivered to the Secretary, Bills 84-26, 85-26, 86-26, 87-26 and 88-26.

D. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill 109-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of amending certain references in the County Code regarding the number of stars on the County Seal; adopting an updated County Seal to reflect the increase in councilmanic districts from seven to nine; and generally relating to the County Seal.

Bill 110-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of amending the 2026-2027 Current Expense Budget, by appropriating to the Gifts and Grants Special Revenue Fund monies derived from state funds and made available to the County through the Administrative Office of the Courts, Security Administration.

Bill 111-26 entitled AN ORDINANCE concerning authorization of the issuance, sale and delivery by Baltimore County, Maryland (the “County”) of its (i) general obligation consolidated public improvement bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$192,000,000, (ii) general obligation metropolitan district bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$260,000,000, (iii) general obligation bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount equal to the maximum aggregate principal amount of such bonds, provided that the aggregate principal amount of the bond anticipation notes issued and outstanding at any one time pursuant to the authority hereof, together with any bond anticipation notes issued and outstanding pursuant to the authority of any other ordinance of the County heretofore enacted, shall not exceed \$452,000,000 and (iv) general obligation refunding bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 130% of the aggregate principal amount of the bonds authorized to be refunded; and the determination of various matters relating to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds and notes.

Bill 112-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of requiring a person to dispose of dog waste in their own trash bin or a public trash can; establishing that a person who violates this requirement is subject to a civil penalty of a certain amount; and generally relating to the disposal of dog waste.

Bill 113-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of voting to approve or disapprove the adoption of a structure to the Final Landmarks List within 90 days after the public hearing; and generally relating to the Baltimore County Final Landmarks List.

Bill 114-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of permitting a Central Community Hub by-right on a tract of land zoned any combination of M.L., B.L.-C.R., and R.C. 2 under certain circumstances; and generally relating to Central Community Hubs.

Bill 115-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of permitting farm breweries in certain areas of the B.L. Zone under certain circumstances; amending the definition of Brewery, Class 8; amending certain restrictions on the permitted use of Winery, Class 4 in the B.L. Zone; and generally relating to uses permitted in the B.L. Zone.

Bill 116-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of requiring a property owner to provide certain proof regarding the current registration and state of motor vehicles on their residential property during an investigation of a complaint; establishing certain kinds of satisfactory proof; providing that, if the property owner does not provide such proof, motor vehicles on the residential property shall be considered unlicensed and inoperative for which a citation may be issued; and generally relating to motor vehicles on residential property.

Bill 117-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of modifying the distance that a new or used automobile sales facility in the B.M. Zone may be from the Middle River Design Review Panel area; and generally relating to uses permitted in the B.M. Zone.

Bill 118-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of permitting a fuel service station by-right within a planned development of a certain size that is under common ownership or control and located in the Business, Roadside (B.R.) Zone; reducing the minimum net area of such a planned development; and generally relating to the locations in which fuel service stations are permitted.

Bill 119-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of defining and permitting by right an Integrated Student Housing Development, which includes a combination of Purpose Built Student Housing and residential dwellings, with occupancy by students and general occupancy on a tract of land zoned with any combination of Density, Residential and Business zoning under certain circumstances; and generally relating to Integrated Student Housing Development.

E. CALL OF BILLS FOR FINAL READING AND VOTE

Bill 89-26, CEB – STATE MOOR ORF Corrections Grant, was called. Councilman Jones moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

1. On page 2, in line 7, strike “\$548,392” and substitute “\$71,529”.

Councilman Ertel seconded the motion and this amendment passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, Bill 89-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Bill 90-26, CEB – Child Advocacy – GOCCP STATE, was called. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent – Crandell

Bill 91-26, County Executive - Compensation, was called. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Ertel, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – Mangione,
Absent - Crandell

Bill 92-26, County Council – Compensation, was called. Councilmembers Patoka, Mangione, Ertel and Jones commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Patoka, seconded by Councilman Ertel, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Jones, Ertel
Nay – Mangione, Marks
Absent - Crandell

Bill 93-26, Personnel Law of Baltimore County, was called. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Bill 94-26, Boards, Commissions, Committees, Panels, and Foundations – Membership Updates, was called. Councilman Marks commented and then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, in the third line of the function paragraph, after “3-3-2102(a),” insert “3-3-2202(a),”.
2. On page 2, in the second line of the function paragraph, strike “, 3-3-2201 through 3-3-2206,”.
3. On page 9, in line 15, insert the following:
“Subtitle 22 – Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee
§ 3-3-2202. Membership.
 (a) (1) The Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee shall consist of ~~14~~
15 members.
 (2) Of the ~~14~~ 15 members of the Committee:
 (i) Each member of the County Council shall appoint one
member; and

(ii) ~~Four~~ 6 members shall be appointed by the County Executive, including at least one representative of a bicycle advocacy organization active in the county.

(3) The Directors of the Departments of Public Works and Transportation, Health, Recreation and Parks, and Education, and the Department of Planning and the Police Department shall each designate to the Committee an ex officio, non-voting member to provide technical assistance.”.

4. On page 14, strike lines 2 through 6; in line 8, strike “4.” and substitute “3.”; in line 14, strike “5.” and substitute “4.”; in line 18, strike “6.” and substitute “5.”.

5. On page 15, in line 6, strike “7.” and substitute “6.”.

Councilman Ertel seconded the motion and these amendments passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Ertel, 94-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Bill 95-26, Council Action Modernization and Procedural Efficiency Act, was called. Councilman Mangione commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Young, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – Mangione
Absent – Crandell

Bill 96-26, Real Property – Modernization of County Acquisition, Exchange, Conveyance, and Condemnation, was called. Jon Herbst testified. Councilman Patoka commented. Councilman Marks question Kevin Reed and Jon Herbst. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Ertel, this Bill passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – Mangione,
Absent - Crandell

Bill 97-26, Gifts and Grants – Procedure for Acceptance by the County, was called. Councilman Jones moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

1. On page 3, in line 17, strike “EXISTING”; in lines 18 through 20, strike “FOR WHICH THERE IS AN EXISTING APPROPRIATION IN THE CURRENT COUNTY EXPENSE BUDGET”.

Councilman Young seconded the motion and this amendment passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Ertel, Bill 97-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent – Crandell

F. APPROVAL OF FISCAL MATTERS

The Chairman stated that the Council would now consider Fiscal Matters. Extensive testimony was taken at the Council’s work session on October 13, 2026. The witnesses who testified at the work session were available to restate their testimony if needed. If a Councilmember had any questions regarding a particular Fiscal Matter, that item would be discussed as a separate matter. Chairman Ertel then called upon the Secretary to read the cover letter for Fiscal Matters 1 through 10.

1. Contract – National Testing Network, Inc. – Consulting services for Police, Fire and Correctional examinations

A contract with National Testing Network, Inc., to provide consulting services for Police, Fire and Correctional examinations.

2. Contract – Constellation Newenergy – Gas Division, LLC – Natural gas supply services

A contract with Constellation Newenergy – Gas Division, LLC, to provide natural gas supply services.

3. Amendments to Contracts – (3) – On-call electrical services

Three amendment #2 to the contracts, to provide on-call electrical services at various County-owned and/or operated locations.

4. Contracts – (7) – Snow removal and deicing services

Five contracts to provide snow removal and deicing services.

5. Contract – DLT Solutions, LLC – Comprehensive operating and capital budget software

A contract with DLT Solutions, LLC, to provide comprehensive operating and capital budgeting software.

6. Amendment to Contract – Digitech Computer, LLC – Emergency Medical Services transport billing services

An amendment to the contract with Digitech Computer, LLC, to provide Emergency Medical Services transport billing services.

7. Purchase Order – OpenGov, Inc. – Consulting and training services – OpenGov Procurement System

A purchase order with OpenGov, Inc., to provide consulting and training services for the use of the OpenGov Procurement System.

8. Grant Agreement–Ravens Training Facility, LLC–Renovation/modernization of facilities – Under Armour Performance Center

A grant agreement with Ravens Training Facility, LLC, to grant 2.5 million dollars annually, for a total of 10 consecutive years, to the organization, to support the renovation and modernization of facilities at the Under Armour Performance Center.

9. **2nd Amendment of Lease Agreement – Ravens Training Facility, LLC – Under Armour Performance Center**

A 2nd amendment of the lease agreement with the Ravens Training Facility, LLC, to extend the lease term of the Under Armour Performance Center, located on County-owned land at Northwest Regional Park, for an additional 10 years. The Second Amendment also provides the Ravens with six 5-year tenant extension options.

10. **Contract of Sale – St. Pius X Roman Catholic Congregation Inc. – 6428 – 6432 York Road, 21212**

A contract of sale with St. Pius X Roman Catholic Congregation Incorporated, to acquire approximately 1- acres of land, located ay York Road, Baltimore Maryland 21212, for use by the Department of Recreation and Parks.

Councilmembers Patoka, Ertel, Marks, Jones and Young commented. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Ertel, Fiscal Matters 1 through 10 were unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

G. **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

1. **Correspondence - Non-Competitive Awards**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read the correspondence from the Office of Budget and Finance listing the non-competitive awards made during September, 2026.

2. **Res. 35-26 – Accept donation of services, goods and materials – Honeygo Regional Veterans Memorial, Inc.**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to authorize the County to accept a donation of services, goods, and materials in the approximate amount of \$252,908. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Patoka, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

3. **Res. 36-26 – Authorization of exchange of parcel – Board of Education – Deer Park Elementary School**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to authorize Baltimore County, Maryland (the “County”) to exchange, with the Board of Education of Baltimore County, Maryland (the “Board”), a County-owned parcel of land for a parcel of land owned by the Board, in accordance with §3-9-103 of the Baltimore County Code. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Patoka, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

4. Res. 37-26 – Authorize payment in lieu of property taxes (PILOT) – Ravens Training Facility, LLC

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution to authorize the County Executive or other authorized administrative official to enter into a written extension agreement on behalf of the County with Ravens Training Facility, LLC (the “Ravens”) for the extension of the Agreement for Payment of Stipulated Amounts in Lieu of Real Property Taxes dated August 5, 2002 (the “PILOT Agreement”), by and between the County and Baltimore Football Company, LLC (predecessor-in-interest to the Ravens), for the extended payment of stipulated amounts in lieu of Baltimore County real property taxes and special taxing district charges on real property with respect to the Property (including the Ravens Facility) (each as defined below). There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Ertel, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

5. Res. 38-26 – Annual compensation – County Administrative Officer

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to increase the annual compensation of the County Administrative Officer. Councilmembers Patoka, Jones, and Young commented. Councilman Marks then motioned to extend the Resolution to be discussed at the Work Session on Tuesday, October 27, 2026 and Final Reading and Vote to occur at the Legislative Session on Monday, November 2, 2026. Councilman Ertel seconded the motion and Resolution 38-26 was extended by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Marks, Ertel

Nay – Jones

Absent – Crandell

6. Res. 39-26 – Establish the Wilkens Avenue Commercial Revitalization District

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to establish the Wilkens Avenue Commercial Revitalization District. Councilman Young and Patoka commented. Councilman Mangione questioned Councilman Young. Councilman Young moved to amend this Resolution with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, in the RESOLUTION paragraph and the fourth WHEREAS paragraph, strike “Wilkens Avenue” and substitute “Institution Node”.
2. On page 2, in the first full WHEREAS paragraph, strike “Wilkens Avenue” and substitute “the Institution Node”; in the same WHEREAS paragraph, before “Exhibit” insert “Amended”; in the first RESOLVED paragraph, before “Exhibit” insert “Amended”; in the same RESOLVED paragraph, strike “Wilkens Avenue” and substitute “Institution Node”; strike Exhibit A and substitute the attached map.

Councilman Ertel seconded the motion and these amendments passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Ertel, Resolution 39-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

7. Res. 40-26 – Encouraging the USCG – Vertical Clearance of AMTRAK Bridge

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council encouraging the United States Coast Guard to mandate that the vertical clearance of the proposed AMTRAK bridge over the Gunpowder River, detailed in Preliminary Public Notice D05PPN-03-2026, be a minimum of 25 feet or a design that would support the highest reasonable clearance above the mean high water. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Young, this Resolution was unanimously approved by the six Councilmembers present.

8. Res. 41-26 – Encouraging the Maryland General Assembly – Passage of Legislation – Occupational Disease Presumptions for First Responders Workers Compensation

Councilmembers Ertel and Young commented. Councilman Marks then motioned to suspend the rules to allow Resolution 41-26 for introduction only. Councilman Young seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel
Nay – None
Absent - Crandell

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, upon motion by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Jones, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.


Thomas H. Bostwick
Legislative Counsel/Secretary