

BALTIMORE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2026, LEGISLATIVE DAY NO. 16
September 8, 2026 6:00 P.M.

A. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ertel at 6:12 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 35 persons in attendance and the following Councilmembers were present:

*PAT YOUNG	FIRST DISTRICT
*IZZY PATOKA	SECOND DISTRICT
NINO MANGIONE	THIRD DISTRICT
JULIAN E. JONES	FOURTH DISTRICT
DAVID MARKS	FIFTH DISTRICT
MICHAEL ERTEL	SIXTH DISTRICT
TODD CRANDELL	SEVENTH DISTRICT

*Attended via virtual WebEx teleconference

B. APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

Upon motion by Councilman Ertel, seconded by Councilman Marks, the reading of the Journal Entries for the meeting of August 3, 2026 was waived and accepted unanimously.

C. ENROLLMENT OF BILLS

The Chairman stated that the following Bill was passed by the County Council and signed by the County Executive. He certified and delivered to the Secretary, Bill 67-26.

D. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill 84-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of establishing a prohibition on commercial house parties; providing for the scope of the prohibition; requiring a certain department to enforce certain prohibitions; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to commercial house parties.

Bill 85-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of renaming the Baltimore County Animal Services Advisory Commission to be the Advisory Committee on Animal Services, consistent with other County Advisory Committees; amending the purpose, membership, duties, and responsibilities of the Committee; establishing all Committee membership positions as vacant as of the effective date of this Act and thereafter requiring all members to be appointed; establishing staggered terms for all members appointed after the effective date of this Act; updating references to the Animal Services Division to the Animal Services Bureau; and generally relating to the Advisory Committee on Animal Services.

Bill 86-26 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 Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy, as well as County matching funds.

Bill 87-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of permitting schools in the B.M. Zone, if located within an existing office building in a certain area; and generally relating to uses permitted in the B.M. Zone.

Bill 88-26 entitled An Act for the purpose of requiring that, for an application for a limited exemption or waiver for a warehouse over a certain number of square feet of gross floor area, notice of the application be provided to certain people or organizations in the same manner as for a community input meeting and posted on the property in the same manner as a notice for a petition for a variance, special hearing, or special exception; requiring the Planning Board to review the County limited exemption laws, compare them to peer jurisdictions, and submit a report to the Council by a certain time; and generally relating to limited exemptions and waivers.

G. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

6. Appointment – Advisory Committee for Public School Capacity – Tricia Sokolowski

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from Councilman Marks appointing Tricia Sokolowski, to the Baltimore County Advisory Committee on Public School Capacity for the remainder of a four -year term expiring June 30, 2028. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Ertel, this appointment was unanimously confirmed.

7. Appointment – Design Review Panel – Robert Gehram

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive appointing Robert Gehram, to the Design Review Panel for the remainder of a three -year term expiring December 31, 2027. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Ertel, seconded by Councilman Jones, this appointment was unanimously confirmed.

8. Appointment – Baltimore County Revenue Authority – Paul Tiburzi

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive appointing Paul Tiburzi, to the Baltimore County Revenue Authority for a five-year term expiring June 31, 2031. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Ertel, seconded by Councilman Jones, this appointment was unanimously confirmed.

**9. Appointment – Acting Director – Department of Environmental Protection & Sustainability
– Brady Locher**

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this correspondence from the County Executive appointing Brady Locher to serve as Acting Director of the Department of Environmental Protection and Sustainability (DEPS). Mr Locher's appointment follows the retirement of Horacio Tablada as Director of DEPS, effective August 19, 2026. Councilman Patoka questioned Mr. Locher. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Ertel, seconded by Councilman Marks, this appointment was unanimously confirmed.

E. CALL OF BILLS FOR FINAL READING AND VOTE

Bill 68-26, Zoning Regulations – Smoke Shops was called. Councilmembers Jones, Ertel and Marks commented. Councilman Crandell questioned Mr. Gutwald. Councilman Ertel moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Standardize Sales Thresholds – 30%. On page 2, in line 19, strike “AND”; on page 3, in line 11, strike “5 LINEAR FEET OF” and substitute “30% OF THE BUSINESSES’ TOTAL LINEAR”; in line 20, strike “AND”; strike line 21; on page 4, in line 1, strike “1.” and substitute “D.”; in the same line, strike “THAT” and substitute “DOES NOT”; in line 2, after “CIGARS,” insert “OR”; in the same line, after “TOBACCO” strike the comma and substitute “; AND”; in the same line, strike “MEMBERSHIP FEES, OR LOCKER RENTALS;” strike lines 3 through 6.

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

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

Councilman Jones then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Grandfathering. On page 1, in the fifth line of the purpose paragraph, after “sections;” insert “establishing a grandfathering period before which this Act shall not apply;”; on page 5, in line 5, after “COMMISSION” insert “, PUBLISHED OCTOBER 1, 2025”; on page 7, in line 9, after “ENACTED,” insert “that the proximity standards of Section 448.8.C of the Zoning Regulations shall not apply to a smoke shop that was in operation at its current location prior to October 1, 2025, and”.

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

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

Councilman Jones then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Remove State-Licensed Vape Shop. On page 3, in line 7, after “§ 16.5-201;” insert “OR”; in line 9, strike “OR”; strike line 10.

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

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

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Nicotine Replacement Therapy Products. On page 5, after line 8, start a new line and insert the following:

“5. NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY PRODUCTS APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION ARE THE MOST WIDELY AVAILABLE EVIDENCE-BASED AID TO ENDING TOBACCO USE, AND THE AVAILABILITY OF THESE PRODUCTS AT THE POINT OF SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS SUPPORTS CESSATION EFFORTS.

6. IT IS THE POLICY OF BALTIMORE COUNTY TO REDUCE THE CONCENTRATION AND PROMINENCE OF TOBACCO RETAILING WHILE INCREASING THE AVAILABILITY OF PRODUCTS THAT ASSIST INDIVIDUALS IN ENDING TOBACCO USE.”;

On page on page 6, in line 19, insert the following:

“H. 1. IN THIS PARAGRAPH, “NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY PRODUCT” MEANS AN OVER-THE-COUNTER NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEM, SUCH AS GUM, A PATCH, A SPRAY, AN INHALER, OR A LOZENGE, THAT IS APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RELIEVING NICOTINE WITHDRAWAL SYMPTOMS.

2. A SMOKE SHOP SHALL KEEP IN STOCK AND OFFER FOR SALE AT LEAST 1 KIND OF NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY PRODUCT.

3. A NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY PRODUCT OFFERED FOR SALE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED NEAR THE TOBACCO PRODUCTS OFFERED FOR SALE.

4. A SMOKE SHOP MAY DETERMINE THE KIND AND QUANTITY OF NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY PRODUCT IT KEEPS IN STOCK AND OFFERS FOR SALE, AND WHETHER IT KEEPS IN STOCK MORE THAN 1 KIND.”.

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

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

Councilman Marks then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Incorporate State Definition of Tobacco Product. On page 1, in the first line of the purpose paragraph, after “shop” insert “and tobacco products”; in the second line of the function paragraph, strike “definition” and substitute “definitions”; in the same line, after “shop” insert “and “tobacco product””; on page 4, in line 7, insert “TOBACCO PRODUCT – ANY PRODUCT INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT IN § 10-101 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AND ANY PRODUCT CONTAINING NICOTINE, REGARDLESS OF ITS SOURCE.”.

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

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel, Crandell

Nay – None

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Hardship Extension. On page 1, in the sixth line of the purpose paragraph, after “time;” insert “establishing a hardship extension of the deadline for smoke shops to comply with certain proximity standards;”; on page 6, in line 19, insert the following:

“F. AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 2 OF BILL 68-26, A SMOKE SHOP THAT DOES NOT CONFORM TO THE PROXIMITY STANDARDS SET FORTH IN SECTION 448.8.C OF THESE REGULATIONS MAY CONTINUE TO OPERATE FOR 1 YEAR FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF BILL 68-26, BUT AFTER THAT DATE, ALL SMOKE SHOPS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 448.8.C OF THESE REGULATIONS, UNLESS GRANTED A HARDSHIP EXTENSION UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROCESS.

1. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS, APPROVALS, AND INSPECTIONS MAY EXTEND THE TIME BY WHICH A SMOKE SHOP MUST TERMINATE THE NONCONFORMING USE.

2. TO OBTAIN AN EXTENSION, THE PROPERTY OWNER OR LESSEE SHALL APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR, IN WRITING, WITHIN 1 YEAR AFTER THE PROPERTY BECOMES NONCONFORMING.

3. THE PROPERTY OWNER OR LESSEE SEEKING AN EXTENSION SHALL ESTABLISH THE EXISTENCE OF 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS THAT MAY RENDER TERMINATION WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY SECTION 2 OF BILL 68-26 A HARDSHIP:

A. PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE 3 YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE NONCONFORMITY; OR

B. A LEASE THAT IS NOT TERMINABLE BY THE LESSEE BECAUSE OF ZONING CHANGES PROHIBITING THE USE.”;

On page 7, in line 4, strike “distance requirements” and substitute “proximity standards”; in the same line, strike “448.8.B” and substitute “448.8.C”; in line 6, strike “448.8.B” and substitute “448.8.C”; in the same line, after “of” strike “these” and substitute “the Zoning Regulations, unless granted a hardship extension under Section 448.8.F of the Zoning”.

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

Aye - Young, Patoka, Mangione, Jones, Marks, Ertel, Crandell

Nay – None

Councilman Marks then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Proximity Standards Clarification – Health Department Clinics and Day Care Centers. On page 1, in the third line of the purpose paragraph, after “parks,” insert “day care centers”; on page 5, in line 15, after “CENTER,” insert “HEALTH DEPARTMENT CLINIC,”; in line 18, after “PLAYGROUND;” strike “OR”; after 18, start a new line and insert “5. A DAY CARE CENTER; OR”; in line 19, strike “5.” and substitute “6.”.

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

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

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Move Signage and Lighting to Section 450. On page 1, in the second line of the function paragraph, after “448.8” insert “and 450.7.H”; on page 6, strike lines 10 through 18 and substitute “E. ALL SIGNS, LIGHTS, OR LIGHTING ON THE BUILDING OR PREMISES OF A SMOKE SHOP ARE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 450.7.H OF THESE REGULATIONS.”; on page 6, in line 23, insert the following:

“Section 450 – Signs

§ 450.7. Special requirements for particular classes.

H. SMOKE SHOP SIGNS AND LIGHTING.

1. ALL SIGNS LOCATED ON A PROPERTY WITH A SMOKE SHOP ARE SUBJECT TO SECTION 450 OF THESE REGULATIONS IN ADDITION TO THIS PARAGRAPH.

2. SMOKE SHOPS ARE PROHIBITED FROM DISPLAYING THE FOLLOWING LIGHTS OR LIGHTING:

A. ANY DISPLAYS OR SIGNS IN OR ON THE BUILDING OR PREMISES WITH:

(1) LED FLASHING LIGHTS; OR

(2) PERMANENT ILLUMINATED TUBING OR STRINGS OF LIGHTS OUTLINING PROPERTY LINES, SALES AREAS, ROOFLINES, DOORS, WINDOWS, EDGES OF ANY BUILDING, OR FENCING; OR

B. A REVOLVING DEVICE THAT CAUSES INTERMITTENT FLASHES OF LIGHT TO BE PROJECTED.”.

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

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

Councilman Marks then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Prohibit Nonconforming Use to Transfer to New Owner/Lessee. On page on page 6, in line 19, insert “G. AUTHORIZATION UNDER THESE REGULATIONS FOR A SMOKE SHOP AS A NONCONFORMING USE MAY NOT TRANSFER TO A NEW OWNER OR LESSEE OF THE NONCONFORMING PROPERTY OR PREMISES.”

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

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

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Proximity Standards Clarification - Schools. On page 5, in line 14, after “PRIVATE” insert “ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MIDDLE SCHOOL, OR HIGH”.

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

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

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Separate On-Site Consumption. On page 1, beginning in the third line of the purpose paragraph, strike “requiring certain uses to be considered a smoke shop and subject to smoke shop requirements under certain circumstances;”; on page 2, in line 15, strike “ON-SITE CONSUMPTION”; on page 4, in line 7, insert “E. IS NOT REGULATED UNDER SECTION 448 OF THESE REGULATIONS AS A HOOKAH LOUNGE OR VAPOR LOUNGE.”; on page 6, strike lines 1 through 9.

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

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

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Permit Smoke Shops in B.L. Zone. On page 1, in the fifth line of the purpose paragraph, after “lighting;” insert “permitting smoke shops in the B.L. Zone, subject to special regulations;”; in the second line of the function paragraph, strike “and” and insert “Section 230.1.A.9, the use “smoke shop” listed alphabetically;”; on page 4, in line 7, insert the following:

“ARTICLE 2 – ELEVATOR-APARTMENT RESIDENCE ZONES,
RESIDENTIAL-OFFICE ZONES, OFFICE ZONES, BUSINESS ZONES,
MANUFACTURING ZONES AND DISTRICTS

Section 230 – Business, Local (B.L.) Zone Use Regulations

§ 230.1. Permitted uses.

A. The following uses only are permitted:

9. SMOKE SHOP, SUBJECT TO SECTION 448.”.

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

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

Councilman Ertel then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

Repeal Inconsistent Use of Tobacco Shop. On page 2, after the function paragraph, insert a new function paragraph that states the following:

“BY repealing
Section 201.2.A.3(25)
Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, as amended”;

On page 4, in line 7, insert the following:

“ARTICLE 2 – ELEVATOR-APARTMENT RESIDENCE ZONES,
RESIDENTIAL-OFFICE ZONES, OFFICE ZONES, BUSINESS ZONES,
MANUFACTURING ZONES AND DISTRICTS

Section 201 – R.A.E. 2 Zones: Residence, Apartment, Elevator

§ 201.2. Use regulations in R.A.E.2 Zones.

A. Uses permitted. The following uses, only, are permitted:

3. The following retail or service uses, in any apartment building of 50 or more dwelling units, subject to the limitations of Subsection B:
(25) [Tobacco Shops.]”.

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

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

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Mangione, Bill 68-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Bill 69-26, Zoning Regulations – Uses Permitted in the D.R. Zones – Housing for the Elderly, was called. Councilman Ertel commented then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

1. On page 2, in line 13, page 3, in line 16, and page 4, in line 5, strike “YORK ROAD” and substitute “OSLER DRIVE”.
2. On page 2, in line 16, strike “SECTIONS” and substitute “SECTION”; in line 17, after “AND” insert “FOR RESIDENTIAL USES IN THE D.R. 16 ZONE IN SECTION”.

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

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

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Ertel, seconded by Councilman Marks, Bill 69-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Bill 70-26, Zoning Regulations – Automotive Parts Sales Facility was called. Councilman Ertel commented then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, in the title, strike “Facility”; in the first line of the purpose paragraph, strike “defining an Automotive Parts Sales Facility;”; in the same line, after “permitting” strike “an”; in the second line of the purpose paragraph, strike “Facility” and substitute “as a retail use”; in the same line, strike “B.L.R.” and substitute “C.B.”; in the same line, after the second “Zone;” insert “clarifying that certain uses permitted in the B.L. Zone under a certain paragraph of the Zoning Regulations are commercial or retail uses;”; in the third line of the purpose paragraph, strike “an”; in the fourth line of the purpose paragraph, strike “an”; in the fourth line of the function paragraph, strike both instances of “Facility”; strike the second line of the first function paragraph; in the third line of the first function paragraph, strike “230.1.A.9, and”; in the same line, strike “Facility”; in the second line of the second function paragraph, strike “Section 229.5.A” and substitute “Sections 229.4.A.1, “Retail Uses” listed alphabetically and 230.1.A.9”.
2. On page 2, strike lines 4 through 23. On page 3, strike lines 6 through 22.
3. On page 4, strike lines 1 through 5 and substitute the following:
“§ 229.4. Uses in C.B. Zone.
A. Uses permitted by right:
1. Commercial uses:
Retail uses, including but not limited to the sale of gifts, jewelry,
hardware, drugs, groceries, baked goods, sporting equipment, AUTOMOTIVE PARTS, and
antiques”.
In line 11, after “9.” insert “THE FOLLOWING COMMERCIAL OR RETAIL USES:”; insert a new
line and move the remaining language to the new line and strike “FACILITY.”
4. On page 5, in line 4, strike “FACILITY,”.

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

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

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Ertel, Bill 70-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Bill 71-26, Zoning Regulations – Uses Permitted in the Manufacturing, Light (M.L.) Zone – Union, was called. Councilman Marks commented then moved to amend this Bill with the following amendment:

1. On page 2, in line 14, after “ACTIVITIES” insert “, INCLUDING CATERED EVENTS”.

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

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

Thereafter, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Ertel, Bill 71-26, as amended, passed by the following roll call vote:

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

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 September 1, 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 11.

1. Contract – Primecare Medical, Inc. – Medical health services and MOUD programs – Dept. of Corrections

A contract with Primecare Medical, Inc., to provide medical health services and MOUD programs for the Department of Corrections.

2. Amendment to Contract – KCI Technologies, Inc. – Well water testing/maintenance services

An amendment to the contract with KCI Technologies, Inc., to provide well water testing and maintenance services for various locations in Baltimore County.

3. Contract – TDA Consulting, Inc. – HOME and HOME-ARP Program professional consulting services

A contract with TDA Consulting, Inc., to provide HOME and HOME-ARP Program professional consulting services.

4. Contract – Shannon-Baum Signs, Inc. – Traffic signs and sign installation services

A contract with Shannon-Baum Signs, Inc., to provide traffic signs and sign installation services for roadway projects and related infrastructure on an as-needed basis.

5. Contract – Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore, Inc. – Trash removal services – Gwynns Falls waterway

A contract with Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore, Inc., to provide trash removal services from the Gwynns Falls waterway by operating a trash intercepting waterwheel device located at the mouth of waterway.

6. Amendment #3 to Contract – Redgate Holdings, LLC d/b/a Redgate Real Estate Advisors, LLC – Real Estate Advisory Services – Redevelopment of Security Square Mall

Amendment #3 to the contract with Redgate Holdings, LLC d/b/a Redgate Real Estate Advisors, LLC, to provide real estate advisory services associated with the redevelopment of the existing Security Square Mall site.

7. Contracts – (2) – HVAC maintenance and repair – Computer environments

Two contracts with Tate Engineering Systems, Inc., and Tech Site Services, LLC, to provide HVAC maintenance and repairs for environments housing OIT equipment.

8. Amendment to Contract – Paradigm Software, LLC – Hardware/software & support/maintenance – Solid Waste tonnage

An amendment to the contract with Paradigm Software, to provide hardware and software, plus support and maintenance of both, at the County's transfer facilities to track, monitor and account for all solid waste tonnage.

9. Contract of Sale – Ellen Lewis & Anne Bartlett – Acquisition of 115 E. Quaker Bottom Road, 21152 – Conservation easement

A contract of sale with Ellen Lewis and Anne Bartlett, to acquire a conservation easement, located at 115 E. Quaker Bottom Road, Sparks, Maryland 21152, for the Piney Run Rural Legacy Area.

10. Contract of Sale – The Benedictine Sisters of Baltimore, Inc. – Acquisition of temporary construction easement area – 2229 W. Joppa Road, 21093 – Greenspring Station Capacity Improvements Project

A contract of sale with Benedictine Sisters of Baltimore, Inc., to acquire a temporary construction easement area, located at 2229 W. Joppa Road, Parkville, Maryland 21234, for the Hopkins at Greenspring Station Sewer Replacement project.

11. Contract – Aviation Specialists Unlimited, Inc. – Inspection services – Aviation goggles

A contract with Aviation Specialties Unlimited, Inc., to provide inspection services for aviation goggles.

There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Crandell, Fiscal Matters 1 through 11 were unanimously approved.

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 July, 2026.

2. Res. 23-26 – Approval of the 2025 Edition of the Baltimore County Code

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to approve the 2025 Edition of the Baltimore County Code. There being no discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Crandell, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

3. Res. 24-26 – Approval of Applications & Ranking -MD Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) Easements

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council to approve certain applications for the sale of development rights easements on property located on farms that meet the State criteria for application in accordance with Agriculture Article, Section 2-509 of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Ertel, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

4. Res. 25-26 – General Assembly - Inspector General Oversight of BCPS

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council encouraging the Maryland General Assembly to pass legislation during the 2027 Legislative Session providing that the Baltimore County Board of Education is subject to the jurisdiction and oversight of the Baltimore County Office of the Inspector General. Councilmembers Marks, Mangione, Jones, Patoka and Young commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Crandell, seconded by Councilman Marks, this Resolution passed by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Patoka, Mangione, Marks, Ertel, Crandell

Nay – Young, Jones

5. Res. 26-26 – Encouraging DNR to Work with Friends of Jerusalem Mill

At the direction of the Chairman, the Secretary read this Resolution of the Baltimore County Council encouraging the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to continue honoring the current lease regarding the historic Jerusalem Mill Village in Gunpowder Falls State Park and engage in serious and candid discussions over the stewardship of the Jerusalem Mill Village with the Friends of Jerusalem Mill. Councilman Marks commented. There being no further discussion, upon motion by Councilman Marks, seconded by Councilman Crandell, this Resolution was unanimously approved.

10. Res. 27-26 – Amendment to the Growth Tier Map for Baltimore County – 4122 Sweet Air Road

This Resolution was for introduction only.

11. Res. 28-26 – Extension of Sanitary Sewer System – Middle River Area

This Resolution was for introduction only.

12. Res. 29-26 – Amendment to PILOT – Turner Station Preservation LLC

This Resolution was for introduction only.

13. Res. 30-26 – Endorsement of designation of the proposed Lutherville Station TOD

This Resolution was for introduction only.

14. Res. 31-26 – Review of policies and procedures – Traffic calming devices and measures in rural areas

This Resolution was for introduction only.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, upon motion by Councilman Crandell, seconded by Councilman Ertel, the meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.


Thomas H. Bostwick
Legislative Counsel/Secretary