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Administration

First Executive Budget Hearing Held December 13, 2021

PTACHC testimony was not taken in session. No response to inquiries.



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Items on table:

- CB83-2021 Police Accountability Board Creation
- ► Forest Conservation veto override
- Age restricted housing density
- ► Tax incentives for commercial solar farms



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To Be Introduced:

- **CB-1** Pay plan changes for licensed child-care providers
- CB7/CB8 Adding Moderate income Housing Requirement To PGCC (Turf Valley)
- CB 10 Post Covid layoff returns
- CR-17 Complete streets with APFO traffic modifications

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CB 9 – APFO changes for moderate income housing



Specifically related to Enterprise Roslyn Rise where school overcrowding protections were not factored in.

* Include from HCPSS "A list of approved in process subdivision plans, including name of development, location, and proposed units, assigned to each school boundary"

* Mandate "A representative from the project or phase of a project has met with the designee of the superintendent of the school system and secured a reassignment or capacity solution in writing prior to the application for state grants and credits and..."

* Include School Regions in considerations (beyond adjacent schools)

PTACHC POSISTION Proposal (legislative) CB-9

Amend CB-9-2022 recommendations to further clarify that "Secured Reassignment Or Capacity Solution" does not include reprioritization and reservation of permanent school capacity when there is a projected enrollment deficit that has not been resolved prior at each grade level.

Simplified intent – Do not reserve capacity for additional purposes that is needed to resolve pre-existing overcrowding.



POLICY 6010



Policy 6010 "Redistricting" was updated in December – It included verification that the terms "target utilization" would not be written to signal that enrollment up to 110% capacity was a desired outcome of redistricting. The intent of a successful redistricting was defined as a end result between 90% and 100% utilization.

This is a significant change to policy attributable to PTACHC member support – thank you.

JANUARY 18th – Public Testimony on January Council Bills JANUARY 24th – Work Session on January Council Bills

ONGOING – Through January

STATE DELEGATION MEETINGS – Start in January – unpublished dates https://www.howardcountymd.gov/state-delegation

Spending Affordability Committee One BOE member (non-voting) Jennifer Mallo 7AM - 9AM Unknown participation format - Jan 7,13,20,27 and Feb 4,8,10,24

TBD ITEMS

General Plan – Delayed, but still being developed

Naming Commission – Unknown status, potential second commission

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Budget season December 2021 – June 2022

Be aware of overlapping budget items

- Spending Affordability
- Federal funding from Covid
- One-time vs sustainable expenses
- Blueprint for Maryland Short and Long Term
- OBRC findings and recommendations
- Negotiated contracts
- Various hearings Administration, Council, Planning Board, State etc.

