



Howard County Council

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Christiana Rigby, Chair
District 3

Deb Jung, Vice Chair
District 4

Liz Walsh
District 1

Opel Jones
District 2

David Yungmann
District 5

Special Meeting to Hold Closed Session
Monday, July 31, 2023
Immediately following the July 31st 11:00 am Council Meeting
George Howard Building, Bancker Room

Minutes Approved

The Chairperson opened the meeting at **12:45 p.m.**

Councilmembers present: Christiana Rigby, Chairperson; Deb Jung, Vice Chairperson; Opel Jones; Liz Walsh; and David Yungmann.

Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Council Administrator; Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator; and Craig Glendenning, County Auditor.

Christiana Rigby moved to approve that the meeting be closed in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(7) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to consult with Counsel to obtain legal advice. The topic was disciplinary procedures. Ms. Jung seconded the motion.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion was: Yea: Council Members Rigby, Jones, Jung, Walsh, and Yungmann. The motion to close the meeting in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(7) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland passed.

Christiana Rigby moved to approve that the Council determined that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security and therefore that the meeting also be closed in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(10) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to discuss public security, including the development and implementation of emergency plans. The topic was implementing Council security procedures. Ms. Jung seconded the motion.

The roll call vote called by the Administrator on the motion was: Yea: Council Members

Rigby, Jones, Jung, Walsh, and Yungmann. The motion to close the meeting in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(10) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland passed.

The Council moved from the Banneker Room to the C. V. Gray Room to meet in closed session.

The Chairperson announced that the closed session ended at **1:57 p.m.**

The special meeting concluded at **1:57 p.m.**

Statement of Closed Session

As required by Section 3-306(c)(2), of the *General Provisions* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the following is a report of the County Council's closed session of July 31, 2023. The County Council met in closed session at 1:02 p.m. on July 31, 2023, in the Council C. V. Gray Room, pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(7) of the *General Provisions* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to consult with Counsel to obtain legal advice. The topic is disciplinary procedures.

In addition, the County Council determined that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security and therefore met in closed session at 1:02 p.m. on July 31, 2023, in the Council C. V. Gray Room, pursuant to Section 3-305(b)(10) of the *General Provisions* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to discuss public security, including the development and implementation of emergency plans. The topic is implementing Council security procedures.

The topics actually discussed were development and implementation of emergency plans and security procedures; and obtaining legal advice from counsel regarding disciplinary procedures.

There were no actions taken during the closed session.

The following persons were present at the closed session:

Councilmembers present: Christiana Rigby, Chairperson; Deb Jung, Vice Chairperson; Opel Jones; Liz Walsh; and David Yungmann.

Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Council Administrator; Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor; Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; and Craig Glendenning, County Auditor

The closed session concluded at 1:57 p.m.