



Howard County Council

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Capital Budget Work Session #2

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Hybrid Meeting (In-Person and WebEx)

Video Streamed at cc.howardcountymd.gov/watch-us

10:00 a.m. – 4:30p.m.

Chair Jones opened the meeting at: 10:02 a.m.

Council members present: Chair Opel Jones, Vice-Chair Rigby, Council Member Deb Jung, Council Member Liz Walsh, and Council Member David Yungmann.

Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council; Amanda Mihill, Office of Law; Theo Wimberly, Administrative Manager; Yusef Ibrahim, Deputy County Administrator; Owen Kahn, Fiscal Manager; II; Melinda Massey, Fiscal Manager I; Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant; Virginia Gambrell, Administrative Assistant.

Administration Staff: Noted below

Agenda

Recreation & Parks (N Projects)

Representatives of the Department of Recreation and Parks provided an overview of the Department and their existing projects; no new capital projects are being proposed. There was discussion between the Department representatives and the Council regarding project C0376- Troy Park Indoor Track Facility and C0377-Public Ice Rink Facility.

Councilmembers expressed their concerns over costs and operations of the proposed projects. Councilmembers also asked questions regarding the types of sports that are expected to be utilized at the proposed projects once completed and the participation levels of those sports. There was also general discussion over the potential return on investments for the proposed projects.

Department of Public Works

Representatives from the Department of Public Works discussed asset management, performance, and reliability of the capital projects across their portfolio. The Department stated that they are focusing on water and sewer services, and a plan to efficiently allocate resources to the maintenance of current County infrastructure.

Road Construction (J Projects)

Representatives from the Department of Public Works discussed several road construction projects and answered questions from the Council on the progress and timelines of various projects.

Road Resurfacing (H Projects)

The Department of Public Works discussed the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) value and the Department's commitment to maintaining a PCI value of 80% for County roads. Councilmembers asked about specific road resurfacing projects and the County's Street Tree Program.

Sidewalk / Curb (K Projects)

The Department of Public Works provided a presentation on existing sidewalk projects and provided an update on the implementation of the County's Complete Streets initiative and Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plans.

Traffic / Intersection (T Projects)

The Department of Public Works provided information regarding Project T7089 – Residential Traffic Calming. The Council asked Department representatives about how traffic calming projects are prioritized.

General County (C Projects)

The Department of General Services provided the Council with a presentation on the Department's proposed capital projects. The Council asked questions regarding Community Solar projects benefiting low-income households, grant allocations for county projects from the state and federal governments, improvements at the Alpha Ridge solid waste facility, the New Cultural Center project costs, the Non-Congregate Shelter, detention center renovations, county bus stops, and energy savings days.

Vice Chair Rigby adjourned the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

Council requested follow up:

- - ***C0376-FY2025 Troy Park Indoor Track Facility***
 - *Please provide the best estimate of participation levels for the sports and activities that are proposed to occur at the track facility.*

- **C0377 – FY2025 Public Ice Rink Facility**
 - *Please provide a list of the different sports and activities that will be utilized at the proposed ice rink.*
 - *Please provide the best estimate of participation levels for the sports and activities that are proposed to occur at the ice rink facility.*

Road Resurfacing

Questions

- **Project H2016-FY2013 Street Tree Program**
 - *Please provide the list of the locations of the approximately 170 trees planted as part of the Street tree Program.*

Traffic / Intersection

Questions

- **Project T7089-FY2005 Residential Traffic Calming.** *Please provide information on the process of prioritizing traffic calming projects.*

General County

Questions

- **Project C0384-FY2027 Community Solar Benefiting LMI Households**
 - *Does the grant agreement providing for a 25% rebate apply only to Howard County residents or all residents in the BGE area?*
- **General County (C) Projects**
 - *Please provide the breakdown in state and federal grants allocated to the budgeted General County (C) projects.*
- **C0364-FY2021 New Cultural Center**
 - *Please provide a cost breakdown and appropriation history for project.*
 - *Please provide the original square footage of the project.*
 - *How much is/was the cost per square foot for the project?*
- **Project C381 -FY2026 Non-Congregate Shelter Facility**
 - *Please provide any information regarding the process for determining the cost benefit analysis for this project.*

- ***Project C379-FY2025 High Ridge Building Renovations***
 - *Please provide information relating to the County's intentions for the second year of the lease.*
 - *Please provide any legal sufficiency documentation regarding County Council approval of the lease agreement relating to this project and is it legally sufficient for the Administration to annually award one-year leases.*
- ***Project C0333-FY2015 Detention Center Renovations***
 - *What is the current cost per square foot for detention center construction and what is the project cost per square foot in the future.*
- ***Project C0329-FY20212 Energy Management/Improvements***
 - *How much money did the County save from the energy savings days last year*
- ***C0365 System Facility Improvements***
 - *Please provide a breakdown of the total cost of the FY2027 facility improvement projects*
 - *Please provide a copy of the County's Facilities Master Plan*

4/22/2026 CIP Work Session Attendee List:

Budget

Holly Sun
Brook Mamo

DPW

Yosef Kebede
John Seefried
Susan Voyce

Finance

Rafiu Ighile
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Executive Team

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Tim Lattimer
Angela Cabellon

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Nicola Morgal
Bob Linz
Bryan Moody
Brenda Mercado
Jason Thompson
Scott Munroe
Mike Milani
Owen Clark

Road Construction

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Daniel Davis
Kris Jagarapu
Seifu Hailu

Road Resurfacing

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Sidewalk / Curb

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Christopher Eatough
David Cookson
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David Cookson
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General County

General Services

Samantha Cobb
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Daniel Davis
Craig Daly

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Gregory Smith
Scott Tilton

OoT

Clarence Dickerson
Christopher Eatough
David Cookson
Carrie Anderson-Watters

Administration

Carl Delorenzo

Fleet

Robert Phillips
Gary Bois

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Lindsay DeMarzo
Tim Lattimer
Leah Miller

DTCS

David Leeds
Sandra Tello
Lisa Harold

DCRS

Jackie R. Scott
Cheryl Mattis
Kellie Brown
Erin Bonzon
Ofelia Ott
Kim Eisenreich

ADDITIONAL

Kelly Cimino
James Zoller

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