



Howard County Council

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Budget Public Hearing
Hybrid Meeting (In-Person and WebEx)
Video Streamed at cc.howardcountymd.gov/watch-us
Broadcast on channels 44(Verizon) and 1071(Comcast)
Thursday, May 7, 2026
9:30 AM

Members Present: Vice Chair Christiana Rigby, Council Members Jung, Walsh and Yungmann.

Staff Present: Michelle Harrod, Council Administrator; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor, Amanda Mihill, Assistant County Solicitor; Theodore Wimberly, Administrative Manager; Yusef Ibrahim, Deputy Administrator; Owen Kahn, Fiscal Manager II; Melissa Massey, Fiscal Manager I; James Almon, Senior Administrative Analyst; Nick Rinehart, Senior Administrative Analyst; Isaiah Anderson, Executive Assistant I; and Rozonna Hightower, Administrative Assistant were also present.

- I. Called to Order at 9:36 a.m.

- II. Roll Call.

- III. Pledge of Allegiance

- IV. The Council will hear testimony on the proposed FY2027 Capital Budget
 - A. **Howard County Public School System**
 1. Leo Garcia, 5th Grade Student, Jeffers Hill Elementary School - called to speak.
 2. Karen Biederman, Dunloggin Middle School PTA - called to speak.

B. Howard Community College

C. Howard County Library System

D. General County

1. Coleen West - Executive Director - Howard County Arts Council - called to speak.
2. Alec Lynde - Executive Director, Howard EcoWorks - called to speak.
3. David Ryan - called to speak.
4. Ian Steinberg - called to speak.
5. Jerry Bookin-Weiner - called to speak.

E. Adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

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