

WOODS END NEWS

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COUNCIL PRESENTS LEGISLATION TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND TOWNHOME DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTY



"We have an oversaturation of townhome developments in Prince George's County. This legislation will address our infrastructure issue and is one step toward decreasing the sprawl in our community. It is time for us to meet our smart growth goals and put townhomes in the right place: transitoriented and local area centers. We are currently witnessing hundreds of townhome developments in areas where there is no expansion of roads, transit, or commercial development." – Vice Chair Wala Blegay, Esg.

The County Council, during session on Tuesday, April 11th, presented CB-052-2023, legislation sponsored by Council Vice Chair Wala Blegay, Esq. (District 6) to temporarily suspend the development of townhouse and townhouse-related residential uses outside of areas designated for medium to high-density development in the County's approved General Plan and comprehensive plans. The temporary limitation would begin on July 1, 2023, and continue for two years, until July 1, 2025.

READ MORE ABOUT THIS MEASURE:

In other Council action during Tuesday's session, a public hearing for the <u>Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) Proposed FY 2023-2024 Operating and Capital Budgets and CIP for Water and Sewerage for Fiscal Years 2024-2029 was held. Several measures were also enacted, including <u>CB-010-2023</u>, legislation concerning Open Data, requiring the County to make certain public data sets available through a web portal prominently displayed on the Internet. Council Members received a <u>Covid Relief Funds Disaster Grants Briefing</u> presented by Office of Homeland Security Director Ronnie Gill and Office of Management and Budget Director Stanley Earley, prior to adjournment.</u>

COUNCIL MEMBER KRYSTAL ORIADHA WELCOMES NEW STATE OF THE ART FLEET FACILITY TO DISTRICT 7



Council Member Krystal Oriadha joined the ribbon-cutting for the DC Water Fleet Headquarters during its Community Open House and Grand Opening on April 4th. The new, state-of-the-art Fleet Facility at 6020 Walker Mill Road, in Capitol Heights, in located in the District 7 community! Council Member Oriadha toured the facility, which will help DC Water monitor vehicle performance and reduce environmental impact. This project aligns with the priorities of Council Member Oriadha for sustainability and cleaner water.