

# Prince George's County Local Development Council (PGCLDC) Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Complex Wednesday, September 19, 2018 7:00 PM

Minutes (Adopted)

### **PGCLDC** Members in Attendance (Quorum):

- Montina Anderson
- Patricia Britton
- Jeffrey Chandler
- Michael Errico
- Anita Gonzalez
- Mary Larkin
- Johnnie Osborne

- Manervia Riddick
- Zeno St. Cyr, II
- Veronica Turner
- Delegate Kris Valderrama (26th District)
- Kerry Watson (representing MGM National Harbor)

#### **PGCLDC Members Absent:**

- Senator C. Anthony Muse (26<sup>th</sup> District)
- Javier Torres
- Delegate Jay Walker (26th District)

#### **Attending Staff:** (Office of the County Executive):

- Renee Adams, Liaison to the Prince George's County Local Development Council, (CEX)
- Amber Hendricks (Deputy Director, Prince George's Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
- Nathaniel Tutt, County Council Liaison, (CEX)

Approximately 4 residents attended the meeting.

# Call to Order/Roll Call:

Chairman Chandler called the meeting to order at approximately 7:11 PM.

# **Opening Remarks:**

Chairman Chandler welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He acknowledged the LDC, Staff, and Renee Adams for their great work and efforts.

# **Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2018 and July 11, 2018**

Chairman Chandler moved to approve the minutes from both the June 20, 2018 and July 11, 2018 meetings. Mr. Errico stated that he would like to abstain from the June 20 2018 vote and Ms. Riddick requested to abstain from the July 11 2018 vote due to their respective absences at the meetings. Motion was approved unanimously with amendments.

#### **Award Ceremony**

Chairman Chandler reported that the Fiscal Year 2018 Local Impact Grant Award Ceremony was a success and had a great turnout.

## Fiscal Year 2019 Multi-Year Spending Plan

OMB Deputy Director Amber Hendricks gave a brief overview of where the Office of Management and Budget is in the current budget cycle and stated that a final report will be given to the LDC for Fiscal Year 2018. PGCLDC Member Zeno St. Cyr, II requested a report of scholarships that the schools received. Discussion ensued amongst LDC members regarding scholarship information. Ms. Hendricks agreed to provide two (2) items for the October 17, 2018 meeting - the scholarship information and data on the participants in the Summer Youth program. It was determined that the proposed MGM scholarship name is the "Prince George's County Local Development Scholarship."

#### **Subcommittee Update**

Chairman Chandler recommended the Subcommittees to meet and report back to the LDC at the next meeting.

#### **Old Business**

#### **Impact Area**

PGCLDC Member Anita Gonzalez stated that she would like to revisit and extend the radius to MD Route 210 Highway. She asked if it's necessary to have a radius and can the impact area be open to serve all residents of the southern region of the County. After a lengthy discussion, Chairman Chandler requested that the LDC make a formal request to Maryland National Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) for additional models and demographic data surrounding the impact area.

#### **Public Comment**

1. Resident Jay Krueger – Recommended that the LDC visit the demographics of the Impact Area. Mr. Kruger stated his disagreement with LDC Member Gonzales' opinion that areas of southern Prince George's County, extending from Accokeek down to the Charles County line along Indian Head Highway need to be included in the impact area as he did not believe the impact area needed to be extended. He also suggested that the LDC reach out to the Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative Program (TNI) to help determine factors. Further, Mr. Kruger encouraged the LDC, the Administration and members of the State Delegation to the Maryland General Assembly revisit the Hold Harmless provision due to the financial reporting that illustrated that Anne Arundel County and Baltimore City have both generated and received more income since MGM's opening, yet the amount Prince George's County receives is diminished greatly by the amount Baltimore City now receives because of the hold harmless agreement. According to Mr. Kruger, under the agreement, Baltimore City's share of Local Impact grant funds has skyrocketed by 260% since MGM's opening. Anne Arundel County's revenues from Maryland Live have increased slightly since MGM's opening. In FY 2018, Maryland Live generated \$20.3M in VLT Local Impact Grant Revenue and received \$18.4M in Local Impact Grant Fund distributions from the state. Contrasted with MGM and Prince George's County; MGM generated \$19M and Prince George's County received approximately \$7.4M in VLT local impact grant funds. Thus, Mr. Kruger continued, Anne Arundel County and Maryland Live and MGM and Prince George's County generated similar numbers, however, Prince George's County received \$11M less in VLT local impact grant fund distribution. Horseshoe Casino in Baltimore City generated \$8.6M, yet Baltimore City received nearly \$19.8M; about \$11M more than what they generated and coincidentally the same amount that it appears Prince George's County was shorted compared to Anne Arundel County's take. Finally, Mr. Kruger concluded, there is no sunset clause on this "inequitable distribution" of VLT local impact grant funds in his opinion.

# Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:37 PM.

Prepared and respectfully submitted by:

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