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County Executive

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 11 – 2026
April 24, 2026

Transfer of the Enforcement Division, Duties and Responsibilities from the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement, to the Office of Homeland Security

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Schedule of Legislation, Section 17 of the Prince George's County Charter, the Director of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement shall be responsible for the administration of County laws relating to business licensing and the processing of complaints against such businesses. The Director shall study and report on any planning and zoning matters related to permitting, inspections, and enforcement. The Director shall also be responsible for the administration and enforcement of the County's permitting functions as assigned by law; and

WHEREAS, the functions of the Department of Permitting and Inspection shall include, but need not be limited to:

- (1) Housing regulations and inspections.
- (2) Construction standards, including plans review and inspections, and enforcement of building and fire codes related to building permits.
- (3) Zoning enforcement; and
- (4) Property standards.

Additional responsibilities relating to permit granting and inspectional authority may be assigned by law; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive desires to transfer the duties of the Enforcement Division of the Department of Permitting, Inspection and Enforcement to the Office of Homeland Security to allow for a streamlined process of enforcement duties and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Homeland Security will provide additional resources to ensure that the enforcement provisions are more effectively carried out; and

WHEREAS, Section 503 of the Prince George's County Charter provides that the County Executive may propose changes to the organization of the Executive branch, including the establishment or abolition of agencies, and the assignment of functions, powers, and duties among agencies, which proposals shall be set forth in Executive Orders in statutory form and be submitted to the County Council; and

WHEREAS, there is hereby a transfer of duties from the Enforcement Division of the Department of Permitting and Inspection to the Office of Homeland Security. The new Division at the Office of Homeland Security will be named the Code Compliance Division.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

SECTION 1 of this order: The Schedule of Legislation of the Charter for Prince George's County,

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Maryland, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

SCHEDULE OF LEGISLATION

Section 17. – Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement.

There shall be a Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement headed by a Director of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement. The Director of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement shall be responsible for the administration of County laws relating to business licensing and the processing of complaints against such businesses. The Director shall study and report on any planning and zoning matters related to permitting, inspections, and enforcement. The Director shall also be responsible for the administration [and enforcement] of the County's permitting functions as assigned by law. These functions shall include, but need not be limited to:

- (1) Housing regulations and inspections;
- (2) Construction standards, including plans review and inspections, [and enforcement of building and fire codes related to building permits];
- (3) Zoning enforcement; and
- (4) Property standards.

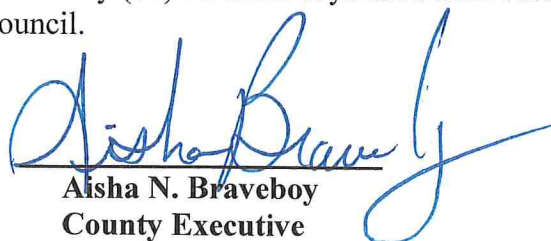
Additional responsibilities relating to permit granting and inspectional authority may be assigned by law.

Section 14. - Office of Homeland Security.

There shall be an Office of Homeland Security headed by a Director of Homeland Security. The Office of Homeland Security shall be responsible for providing planning, coordination, and domestic preparedness training and shall coordinate the County's emergency management effort with Federal, State, and local jurisdictions. The Office of Homeland Security shall also be responsible for the management of an integrated public safety and emergency communication system and the enforcement responsibilities previously held by the Enforcement Division of the Office of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement. Within the Office of Homeland Security, there shall be an Office of Public Safety Communications and an Office of Emergency Management. The head of the Office of Emergency Management shall be appointed by the Governor pursuant to the provisions of Article 16A, Section 7, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, upon the recommendation of the County Executive. Prior to submission to the Governor, the County Executive shall secure concurrence of the County Council with the recommendation in the manner set forth in Section 322 of the Charter. The Office of Emergency Management shall have the duties and responsibilities as set forth in Article 16A, Section 7, of the Annotated Code of Maryland. There may be an Advisory Committee on Homeland Security, which shall function in an advisory capacity to the Director of Homeland Security.

SECTION 2 of this order:

This Order shall be submitted to the County Council pursuant to Section 503 of the Prince George's County Charter and, thereafter, shall become effective sixty (60) calendar days after such submission unless disapproved by a majority vote of the full Council.


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