



PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Aisha N. Braveboy
County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 47 - 2025

December 9, 2025

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ZONING USE TABLE REVIEW COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the current Zoning Ordinance of Prince George's County, codified in Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code, plays a crucial role in guiding land use and development within the County; and

WHEREAS, the economic, environmental, and community needs of Prince George's County have evolved significantly since the last comprehensive review of the zoning use tables; and

WHEREAS, a modern, efficient, and equitable zoning code is essential to promoting sustainable growth, encouraging economic development, addressing housing affordability, and enhancing the quality of life for all residents; and

WHEREAS, Section 507 of the Prince George's County Charter authorizes the County Executive to appoint, for designated periods, one or more temporary advisory boards to assist in the performance of the Executive's duties; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated, expert, and community-inclusive review is necessary to identify potential updates, streamline regulations, and ensure the zoning use tables align with the County's long-term planning goals, including the Plan 2035 Prince George's Approved General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has determined that establishing a Prince George's County Zoning Use Table Review Commission will provide valuable input, community perspectives, and expert recommendations regarding matters within County government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Aisha N. Braveboy, County Executive for Prince George's County, Maryland, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter and laws of Prince George's County, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE

A. There is hereby established the Prince George's County Zoning Use Table Review Commission (hereinafter the "Commission").

B. The purpose of the Commission is to conduct a comprehensive study of the County's existing zoning use tables and related land use regulations, and to develop and present recommendations for revisions, updates, and modernizations to the County Executive and the County Council.

SECTION 2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. The Commission shall undertake a thorough review of the current zoning use tables (Subtitle 27) to identify inconsistencies, outdated uses, regulatory barriers to desired development, and opportunities to incorporate best practices in land use planning.

B. The Commission's review shall consider:

- 1) Alignment with the goals and strategies outlined in the Plan Prince George's 2035 Approved General Plan.
- 2) Uses permitted "by-right," uses that require a special exception or conditional use permit, and uses prohibited within specific zones.
- 3) The need to promote a diverse range of housing options and affordability.
- 4) Support for economic development and the attraction of key industries.
- 5) Opportunities for streamlining the permitting process and improving administrative efficiency.
- 6) Environmental sustainability and the promotion of resilient development practices.
- 7) Ensuring equity in land use regulation and community input processes.

C. The Commission shall solicit input from stakeholders, including residents, community organizations, the development community, local businesses, and relevant County agencies.

D. The Commission shall prepare a final report detailing its findings and proposed recommendations, which may include specific legislative language for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The final report shall be submitted to the County Council no later than December 1, 2026.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION AND APPOINTMENT

A. The Commission shall consist of a maximum of 11 members, one of which shall be a member of the County Council.

B. All members shall be appointed by the County Executive.

C. The membership shall be representative of the County's diversity and shall include, but not be limited to, members of community and civic associations, and individuals with expertise in urban planning, community development, environmental science, public health, housing, and economic development.

D. The County Executive shall appoint a Chairperson from among the members.

E. Members shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, subject to budgetary approval.

SECTION 4. ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT

A. A consultant selected by the County Executive shall provide necessary administrative and technical support to the Commission, including meeting logistics, data analysis, and report preparation.

B. The Commission is authorized to hold public meetings and hearings as necessary to fulfill its mandate.

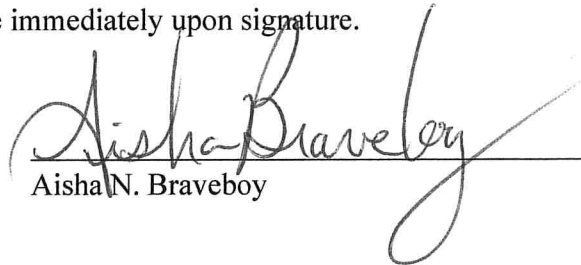
C. All meetings of the Commission shall be subject to the Maryland Open Meetings Act.

SECTION 5. TERMINATION

The Commission shall dissolve one month after the submission of its final report, unless otherwise directed by the County Executive.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Executive Order shall become effective immediately upon signature.


Aisha N. Braveboy