

PROPOSED

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2018, Legislative Day No. 23

Bill No. 57-18

Introduced by Mr. Peroutka

By the County Council, May 21, 2018

Introduced and first read on May 21, 2018
Public Hearing set for June 18, 2018
Bill Expires August 24, 2018

By Order: JoAnne Gray, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – General Provisions

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3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Planning and Zoning Officer to provide an opinion as to
4 whether comprehensive zoning legislation, and any amendment thereto, is consistent
5 with the County General Development Plan; and generally relating to zoning.
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7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: § 18-2-106
8 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)
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10 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
11 That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:
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13 ARTICLE 18. ZONING

14 TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

15 18-2-106. Zoning map.

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17 (a) **Adoption of zoning map.** The zoning districts are as shown on the digital map
18 entitled “Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer” adopted by the County Council. The
19 Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer shall be certified by the Administrative Officer
20 to the County Council and the certification shall be part of the Digital Zoning Layer which
21 shall be permanently kept and maintained by the Office of Planning and Zoning. The Anne
22 Arundel County Digital Zoning Layer is incorporated in this article by reference as if fully
23 set forth.
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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.

1 **(b) Authorized changes to zoning map.** The Anne Arundel County Digital Zoning
2 Layer may not be changed except as follows:

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4 (1) By comprehensive zoning legislation enacted by the County Council and
5 certified by the Administrative Officer to the County Council;

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7 (2) By rezoning as authorized by § 18-16-303 and, upon final decision, certified by
8 the Planning and Zoning Officer;

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10 (3) By zoning district line adjustments as authorized by § 18-2-107 and certified by
11 the Administrative Officer to the County Council; and

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13 (4) By administrative zoning district line adjustments as authorized by § 18-2-108
14 and certified by the Planning and Zoning Officer.

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16 **(c) Changes to be recorded on Digital Zoning Layer.** The Digital Zoning Layer may
17 not be changed after comprehensive zoning changes are certified by the Administrative
18 Officer to the County Council unless the change, the date of the change, and the
19 documentation supporting the change are recorded on the Digital Zoning Layer and the
20 change is certified by either the Administrative Officer to the County Council or the
21 Planning and Zoning Officer.

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23 **(d) Copies of Digital Zoning Layer.** Uncertified copies of the Digital Zoning Layer
24 are provided for informational purposes only. To verify the zoning status of a particular
25 property, an individual may obtain a certified copy of the Anne Arundel County Digital
26 Zoning Layer from the Office of Planning and Zoning. Certified copies shall be officially
27 stamped by the Office of Planning and Zoning and include the date on which the property's
28 zoning was affirmed.

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30 **(E) Consistency review by Planning and Zoning Officer.** THE PLANNING AND
31 ZONING OFFICER SHALL REVIEW ALL COMPREHENSIVE ZONING LEGISLATION AND ANY
32 AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND FOR EACH SUCH BILL OR AMENDMENT, PROVIDE THE
33 COUNCIL A WRITTEN OPINION PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING AS TO WHETHER THE
34 PROPOSED LEGISLATION IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY GENERAL DEVELOPMENT
35 PLAN, AS REQUIRED BY TITLE 1, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE LAND USE ARTICLE OF THE STATE
36 CODE. IF THE OPINION CONCLUDES THAT THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION IS INCONSISTENT
37 WITH THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN, THE OPINION SHALL SPECIFY HOW AND WHY
38 THE LEGISLATION IS INCONSISTENT AND HOW IT CAN BE MADE CONSISTENT.

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40 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
41 from the date it becomes law.