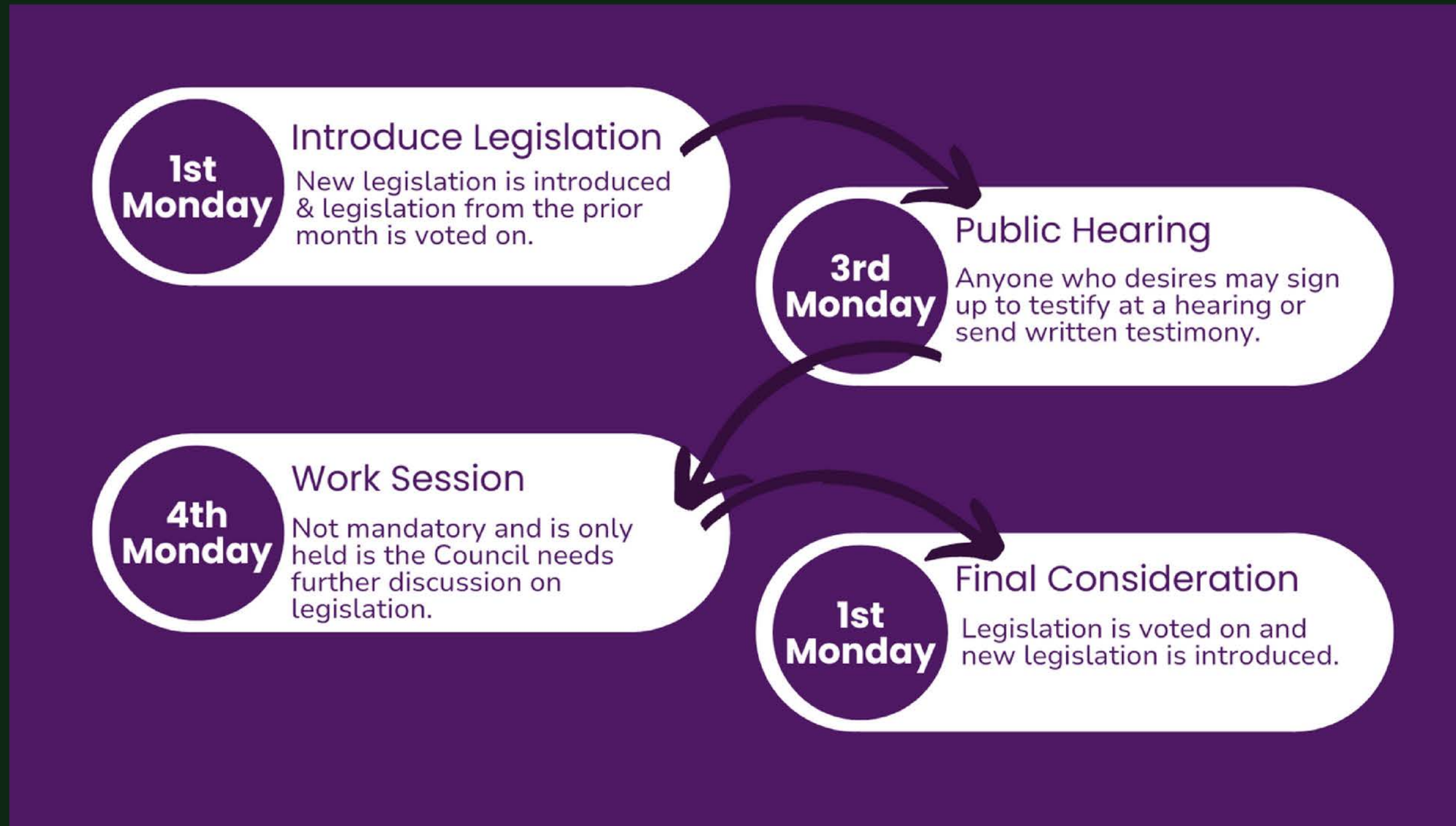




Environmental Town Hall

March 12, 2024

County Council Legislative Process



Tracking Legislation

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Click on the
“Legislation”
button on the
tool bar.



The screenshot shows the Howard County Council website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following items: "Howard County Council" (with logo), "Watch Us", "Testify", "News", "Calendar", "Public Information", "Contact Us", "Select Language", and a search icon. Below this is a secondary toolbar with icons and labels for "Council Members", "Ongoing Efforts", "Legislation" (circled in red with a black arrow pointing to it), "Auditor", "Liquor License", "Zoning & Land Use", and "How Do I?". The main content area features a "WELCOME TO" message followed by the "Howard County Council" title. Below the title is a paragraph: "The County Council acts as the County's legislative branch of government. It is responsible for making the laws that govern the County. The Council members also are the zoning authority and the licensing and enforcement authority for alcoholic beverages in the County." At the bottom of this section are two buttons: "WHO REPRESENTS ME?" and "CONTACT US". On the right side of the page, there is a list of council members by district: DISTRICT 1: Liz Walsh, Vice Chair; DISTRICT 2: Opel Jones; DISTRICT 3: Christiana Rigby; DISTRICT 4: Deb Jung, Chair; DISTRICT 5: David Yungmann.

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Legislation

Related Links

- Laws, Charter, Rules, and Regulations
- The Legislative Process**
- Legislation Search Tool**
- Agendas, Journals, and Minutes
- Testify

Upcoming Legislation and Current Agenda

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| <h4>Current Legislation</h4> <p>Legislation will be voted on at the next legislative session.</p> <p>→ LEARN MORE</p> | <h4>Pre-Filed Legislation</h4> <p>Legislation to be introduced at the next legislative session for council consideration next month.</p> <p>→ LEARN MORE</p> | <h4>Late-Filed Legislation</h4> <p>Legislation that has missed the pre-file deadline and can be introduced if 2/3 of the Council votes to allow introduction.</p> <p>→ LEARN MORE</p> | <h4>Agendas, Journals, and Minutes</h4> <p>Click here to view agendas, journals, and minutes from 2006 to present. For legislation created prior to May of 2006, call us at (410) 313-2001.</p> <p>→ LEARN MORE</p> |
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Use the “Legislative Search Tool” to find pre-filed, current, and previous legislation.

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Check for amendments, motions, testimony, final version of the bill, and more!

CB5-2023

Summary

Legislation Text [Amendments](#) [Details](#) [Dates](#) [Motions/Votes](#) [Related Documents](#)

Legislation Text

| Document Name | Version |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| CB5-2023 | As Introduced |
| Enrolled CB5-2023 | As Introduced |
| CB5-2023 FINAL | Final |

Opportunities for Engagement

Testify

In-person at public hearings about legislation under consideration

Throughout the month, written testimony can be emailed to individual Council Members or to all councilmail@howardcountymd.gov

County Council's Role in Environmental Issues

①

Implementing the
Climate Solutions Now
Act & the 2023 Climate
Action and Resiliency
Plan

②

Implementing Goals
Outlined in HoCo By
Design



HOWARD
COUNTY
CLIMATE
FORWARD:
Climate Action
and Resiliency
Plan

FINAL REPORT
2023



Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions by 70% by 2045*

Increase Carbon Sequestration

Increase Community Resilience to Extreme Weather Events

Increase Interdepartmental Coordination & Environmental Equity Across Programs

*Climate Solutions Now Act of 2022 sets a Statewide goal of net zero by 2045



EH-1: Support the County's Ecological Health

EH-3: Ensure the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations and Zoning Regulations provide adequate protection for sensitive environmental resources within redevelopment & new development

EH-11: Encourage Individual environmental stewardship in daily activities on private & public property

Take Action!

Participate in the County's Budget Process

Testify & Contact Council Members Regularly

Talk to Your Neighbors about the Green Bin

Stay Involved & Active With KC CARES

Track the Implementation of the CARP



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