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Maryland Coordinated Permitting Review Council: Meeting Minutes

Date: September 10, 2025, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Location: Virtual via Google Meet

Call to Order

Chair Rebecca Flora called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM, welcomed attendees, and reviewed the agenda. She reiterated the Council's mission per Governor Moore's Executive Order on Economic Competitiveness to streamline interagency coordination for priority infrastructure and place-based projects.

A roll call was conducted.

AGENCY	DESIGNEE/ALTERNATE*	PRESENT	ABSENT
MDP	Rebecca Flora	Х	
MDOT/SHA	Joe McAndrew	Х	
DHCD	Julia Glanz	Χ	
MDA	Hans Schmidt*	Х	
MEA	Jenn Aiosa	Х	
MDSP	Jason Mowbray	Χ	
MDE	Suzanne Dorsey	Х	
MDH (ex-officio)	Clint Hackett	Χ	
DNR	Dave Goshorn	Х	
DolT	Marcy Jacobs	Х	
Commerce	Luis Cardona	Х	
MEDCO	Nick Henninger-Ayoub*	Х	
Urban Co. – Montgomery County (pending appointment)	Jason Sartori	X	
Urban Municipality - Baltimore City	Justin Williams	Х	
Rural Co Rep - Wicomico County	Tracey Greene Taylor	Х	
Rural Municipality-Thurmont (pending appointment)	Kelly Duty	Х	
Governor's Office (ex-officio)	Meghan Conklin	X	

Public Viewers: Dave Irving (Catellius), Natalie Evans Harris (DoIT), Rachel Clark (Evans & Associates)

Approval of Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2025, Minutes: Motion to approve by Jenn Aiosa; second by Justin Williams. No abstentions or opposition. Approved by general consent.

Governor Updates

Chair Flora presented an overview of presentations submitted to the Governor's Office and reminded members that the quarterly report is due September 30. She shared comparisons with approaches used by other states, outlined challenges and solutions, and discussed plans to showcase best practices for local jurisdictions in October.

Tech Design Task Force Update

The Tech Design Task Force (TDTF) established Tracking Points of Contact (POCs), who are representatives from state agencies responsible for managing the permitting of pilot projects within their respective regulatory or reviewing agencies. These POCs are tasked with providing MDP with the necessary permitting data. Smartsheet fields have been finalized, licenses distributed, and training completed. A public-facing dashboard is being developed for transparency, with a target release of December 15, 2025. Agencies must provide data by September 22, 2025, to meet that deadline. A data-sharing agreement will be created to streamline multi-agency collaboration.

No discussion.

Working Group Update

Chair reiterated purpose as outlined in the EO. Orientation was held for pilot project owners on August 20. Attendance at the August meeting was low; participation was stressed as critical. Pilot projects are divided into priority infrastructure (high impact) and place-based (localized impact).

Upcoming meetings:

- Working Group: September 15
- Priority Infrastructure Project Team: September 11
- Place-Based Projects Team: September 18 (monthly thereafter on third Thursdays)

Pre-meeting assessment form will be circulated.

No discussion.

Pilot Project Portfolio

Approval of Burnt Hill Farm as a pilot project based on MDA recommendation to replace

Bella Vita Farm. This recommendation provides a value-add project in the pilot portfolio that is at an earlier stage in permitting. Motion: Jason Mowbray; Second: Julia Glanz. Approved unanimously.

Pilot projects update.

- Burnt Hill Farm: will be invited to participate in the pilot and asked to sign a letter of acknowledgement and joint responsibilities as done with other pilot projects.
- Bella Vita Farm: completed permitting and will no longer be in the pilot; however, they have agreed to present at the next Permitting Council meeting to share their experience.
- Pimlico Redevelopment: Demolition ceremony was held on August 21; construction begins early 2026; completion targeted for 2027.
- SBY Market: Continues to face continued local permitting obstacles. It was further reported by Council member Taylor that Salisbury is no longer part of the Salisbury-Wicomico joint Planning Commission. As a result, Salisbury must create a new planning commission to consider this project which may create further delays
- Loch Raven Outlook: Financial closing is in progress. Construction scheduled to begin in 2026.
- Phase I Bainbridge: Timeline shared; no current hurdles

Closed Session

Council Chair Flora requested a motion to enter closed session at 2:15 PM to present and discuss the Quantum Frederick pilot project: Suzanne Dorsey; second: Jenn Aiosa. Approved unanimously.

Council Members in Attendance: Jenn Aiosa, Luis Cardona, Suzanne Dorsey, Kelly Duty, Rebecca Flora – Chair, Julia Glanz, Dave Goshorn, Nick Henninger, Marcy Jacobs, Joe McAndrew, Jason Mowbray, Jason Sartori, Hans Schmidt, Tracey Taylor, Justin Williams.

MDP Council Support Staff in Attendance: David Buck, Maggi Currier, Jason Dubow, Kristin Fleckenstein, Melanie Gross, Andrew Kelson, Sylvia Mosser, Ellen Mussman, Adam Snyder, Darius White.

Featured Pilot Project Presentation: Quantum Frederick

Presenter: Dave Irvin, Catellius Development

Project Overview: Development of a data center on 2,100-acre campus with historic industrial/agricultural uses. Integrated into a 46-mile fiber optic network to Leesburg. Two data center companies are currently constructing facilities. Site includes agricultural land (rezoning in progress) and a historic building.

Financing: Estimated cost \$100M – <\$500M.

Challenges:

- MDE dual administration requirements
- Stormwater permit
- Recycled water system (institutional knowledge gap)

Motion requested by the Chair to exit closed session at 2:52 PM: Suzanne Dorsey; second: Luis Cardona. Approved unanimously.

Closing

Chair Flora thanked the presenter for their detailed briefings, reviewed FY26 timelines, and reminded the group of upcoming meeting dates.

Adjournment: 3:01 PM