

Maryland Coordinated Permitting Review Council: Meeting Minutes

Date: April 8, 2026, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Location: Virtual via Google Meet

**Call to Order**

Chair Rebecca Flora called the meeting to order at 1:01 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	x	
MDOT/SHA	Joe McAndrew (Jonathan Rogers)	x	
DHCD	Julia Glanz (Steven Palmer)	x	
MDA	Michael Calkins	x	
MEA	Jenn Aiosa	x	
MDSP	Jason Mowbray	x	
MDE	Suzanne Dorsey (Scott Goldman)	x	
MDH (ex-officio)	Clint Hackett	x	
DNR	Dave Goshorn		x
DoIT	Marcy Jacobs (Julia Fischer)	x	
Commerce	Luis Cardona	x	
MEDCO	Nick Henninger-Ayoub*	x	
Urban Co. – Montgomery County	Jason Sartori	x	
(pending appointment)			
Urban Municipality - Baltimore City	Justin Williams	x	
Rural Co Rep - Wicomico County	Tracey Greene Taylor	x	
Rural Municipality-Thurmont (pending appointment)	Kelly Duty		x
Governor’s Office (ex-officio)	Meghan Conklin, Chichi Nyagah-Nash	x	

Public Viewers: None

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from March 11, 2026, meeting were presented for approval. Motion to approve by Jenn Aiosa, second by Michael Calkins. No abstentions or opposition. Approved by general consent.

### **Featured Local Permitting Perspective Presentation - Ashlye Bonomo, Frederick County Department of Permits and Inspections**

Ms. Bonomo was unable to make the meeting, a pre-recorded presentation of Frederick County's permitting process, including the role of the Department of Permits and Inspections as the central intake and coordination point for applications was played in her absence. The presentation highlighted the County's use of digital tools such as online applications, platforms, electronic plan review, and real-time status tracking, as well as recent efforts to streamline workflows and improve transparency. She also noted ongoing challenges related to application volume and multi-agency coordination.

### **Featured State Permitting Agency Presentation: – Martin Proulx, Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA)**

Mr. Proulx provided an overview of the regulatory framework for value-added agriculture in Maryland, including activities such as processing, agritourism, and retail. He discussed the complexity of navigating regulatory requirements across multiple agencies and highlighted recent efforts to provide guidance and improve clarity for stakeholders. He also noted key challenges related to definitions, regulatory consistency, and scalability within the sector.

### **Council Activity**

#### **Pilot Implementation Status -Darius White**

Mr. White provided updates on the Council's pilot projects, noting continued interagency coordination and progress across the portfolio, including Pimlico Redevelopment, SBY Market Center, Loch Raven Overlook, Quantum Frederick, Phase I at Bainbridge, and Burnt Hill Farm. Updates included ongoing permitting reviews, resolution of project-specific issues, and continued tracking of timelines and milestones. He also notes that agency POCs should be updating the Smartsheet monthly.

#### **Year-End Report Process - Rebecca Flora, Secretary, Chair**

Secretary Flora provided an update on the development of the Council's Year-End Report to the Governor, including ongoing data collection, stakeholder engagement activities, and upcoming milestones. The final report is scheduled to be submitted to the Governor by June 30, 2026.

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**Draft Key Findings for Discussion – Rebecca Flora, Secretary, Chair**

Secretary Flora facilitated discussion on draft key findings to inform the Year-End Report, including themes emerging from pilot projects, working group activities, and stakeholder feedback. There was overall support from the Council for the draft Findings.

**Next Steps – Rebecca Flora, Secretary, Chair**

Secretary Flora reviewed upcoming activities, including continued pilot project coordination, exit interviews, and preparation of the final report.

The next Permitting Council meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2026, and will be held virtually.

**Closed Session**

A closed session was not needed

**Closing**

Chair Flora invited closing thoughts from Council members. There was no discussion

Motion to adjourn \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Jason Sartori

Adjournment: 2:51 PM