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COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: County Council

SUBJECT: Amendment to the FY27 Work Program of the Office of Legislative Oversight

Background

1. On July 21, 2026, the Council adopted the FY27 Work Program of the Office of Legislative Oversight (OLO). This Work Program assigned OLO twenty-six projects to be undertaken during the current fiscal year.

2. Since the approval of the FY27 Work Program of the Office of Legislative Oversight, Councilmembers have identified the additional projects described below as appropriate OLO assignments.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the addition of Project numbers 27, 28 and 29 to OLO's FY27 Work Program. These projects will not require or result in any delays to those projects currently assigned in the FY27 OLO Work Program.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Sara R. Tenenbaum
Clerk of the Council

OLO Work Program Supplement

Project #27

Update on Commission on Common Ownership Communities

Principal Agency: Montgomery County Government (MCG)

The Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC) advises the County Executive and the County Council on community issues, promotes public awareness of rights and obligations of living in a common ownership community, and is charged with impartially settling disputes among homeowners, tenants, residents, boards, and management companies. In the past ten years, OLO has completed numerous reports on the operations of the CCOC (2015-8 and 2019-6) and is currently working on another one regarding volunteer panels.

This OLO report will provide an update on how the CCOC is currently functioning and what, if any, changes might be made to the CCOC that would allow it to function more effectively in today's environment. OLO will examine the CCOC current practices and policies, including providing updates on previous OLO recommendations.

Project #28

Inventory of County Property

Principal Agency: County Government, MCPS, Montgomery College, Planning Department

County agencies collectively own thousands of land parcels of land in Montgomery County. The Council seeks an inventory of real property assets owned by Montgomery County Government, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), Montgomery College, and the Montgomery County Planning Department, excluding all County park land.

Project #29

Review of the Fee Schedule for the Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings

Principal Agency: Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings (OZAH)

OZAH is an office of the Legislative Branch. OZAH conducts due process hearings in land use and other administrative matters, such as rezonings, development plan amendments, floating zone plan amendments, conditional use applications, and accessory dwelling unit objection and waiver cases. The County's Zoning Ordinance authorizes the County Council sitting as the District Council to establish filing fees for matters decided by OZAH.

Many of the fee amounts on OZAH's fee schedule were established when the schedule was originally approved in 2014. For this report, the Council would like OLO to:

- Review current best practices related to the setting of fees for these types of hearings;
- Review current similar fee schedules in other comparable jurisdictions;
- Analyze OZAH's current fee schedule in the context of information compiled; and
- Recommend strategies to update OZAH's fee schedule.