



**Committee:** GO  
**Committee Review:** At a future date  
**Staff:** Christine Wellons, Legislative Attorney  
**Purpose:** To introduce agenda item – no vote expected  
**Keywords:** #ChiefDigitalOfficer

AGENDA ITEM #15C  
July 7, 2020  
**Introduction**

## SUBJECT

Expedited Bill 30-20, Administration – Executive Branch – Chief Digital Officer

Lead Sponsor: Council President at the request of the County Executive

## EXPECTED ATTENDEES

None

## COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- N/A; Bill introduction

## DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

Expedited Bill 30-20, Administration – Executive Branch – Chief Digital Officer, would transfer the Chief Digital Officer from the Office of the County Executive to the Department of Technology Services.

## SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

- N/A

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**M E M O R A N D U M**

July 2, 2020

TO: County Council

FROM: Christine Wellons, Legislative Attorney

SUBJECT: Expedited Bill 30-20, Administration – Executive Branch – Chief Digital Officer

PURPOSE: Introduction – no Council votes required

Expedited Bill 30-20, Administration – Executive Branch – Chief Digital Officer, sponsored by Lead Sponsor Council President at the request of the County Executive, is scheduled to be introduced on July 7, 2020.<sup>1</sup> A public hearing is tentatively scheduled for July 21.

Bill 30-20 would transfer the Chief Digital Officer from the Office of the County Executive to the Department of Technology Services (DTS). The Chief Digital Officer would be a non-merit position that reports directly to the Director of DTS. Among other duties, the position would:

- (1) “Lead the development of the digital business strategy and roadmap for the County”; and
- (2) “Define and report on digital business key performance indicators (KPIs) and metrics that represent progress against digital goals.”

The Executive has requested the legislation because: “Transferring and subsequently filling this role in the Department of Technology Services will provide an organizational competency to address long-standing technology requirements to update systems that are public-facing and to establish methods for human centered design and to find flexible, practical solutions to problems faster.”

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<sup>1</sup>#ChiefDigitalOfficer

Expedited Bill No. 30-20  
Concerning: Administration –  
Executive Branch – Chief Digital Officer  
Revised: 07/02/2020 Draft No. 1  
Introduced: July 7, 2020  
Expires: January 7, 2022  
Enacted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Executive: \_\_\_\_\_  
Effective: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sunset Date: None  
Ch.     , Laws of Mont. Co.     

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Lead Sponsor: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

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**AN EXPEDITED ACT** to:

- (1) transfer the Chief Digital Officer from the Office of the County Executive to the Department of Technology Services; and
- (2) generally amend the law regarding non-merit positions in the Executive Branch.

By amending

Montgomery County Code  
Chapter 2, Administration  
Sections 2-26 and 2-58D

<b>Boldface</b>	<i>Heading or a defined term.</i>
<u>Underlining</u>	<i>Added to existing law by original bill.</i>
<b>[Single boldface brackets]</b>	<i>Deleted from existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>Double underlining</u>	<i>Added by amendment.</i>
<b>[[Double boldface brackets]]</b>	<i>Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.</i>
* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

*The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following act:*



## LEGISLATIVE REQUEST REPORT

Bill 30-20

*Chief Digital Officer - Amendments*

**DESCRIPTION:** This bill transfers the Chief Digital Officer position from the Office of the County Executive to the Department of Technology Services.

**PROBLEM:** The Chief Digital Officer position is presently located in the Office of the County Executive; however, the position description is being amended as this role is in direct alignment to the enterprise-wide digitalization and modernization strategy efforts of the Department of Technology Services (DTS). The work of this position will be directed by the Director of the Department of Technology Services and thus is more appropriate to be in the DTS.

**GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:** Transfer the Chief Digital Officer position from the Office of the County Executive to the Department of Technology Services.

**COORDINATION:** Office of Human Resources

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Office of Management and Budget.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:** Office of Legislative Oversight.

**EVALUATION:**

**EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE:** Unknown

**SOURCES OF INFORMATION:** Kimberly Williams  
Office of Human Resources

**APPLICATION WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES:**

**PENALTIES:** N/A