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2 **AMENDMENT 1 to Bill No.** _____ 19-17 _____
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4 **Introduced By:** Council Member Jessica Fitzwater
5 **Introduction Date:** January 7, 2020
6 **Adopted/Rejected/Withdrawn:** 4-3: Y:JD,SM,JF,KH N:MB,PD,KA
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9 **An ACT to:** Establish a Sustainable Monocacy Commission.
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11 On Page 2, Amend §1-2-301. Membership. As follows:
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13 (A) Number.
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15 Subject to confirmation by the County Council, the County Executive shall appoint up to
16 ~~nine (9)~~ **ELEVEN (11)** members to the SMC, all of whom shall be registered voters and
17 residents of Frederick County. The elected official from the City of Frederick, or
18 designee, shall be a non-voting member of the SMC. The elected official from the County
19 Council, or designee, shall be a non-voting member of the SMC.
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21 B Composition.

22 1) The SMC shall consist of:
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- 24 a) Two (2) owners of property adjacent to Monocacy River;
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26 b) Two (2) ~~[[owners of property not]]~~ **INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT RESIDE**
27 **ON PROPERTY WHICH IS** contiguous to Monocacy River;
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29 c) One (1) elected official of The City of Frederick, or designee, non-voting;
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31 d) One (1) elected official of the County Council, or designee, non-voting;
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33 e) One (1) representative of the agricultural community; and
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35 f) ~~[[Two (2)]]~~ **THREE (3)** individuals having educational expertise or experience in
36 the fields of biology, ecology, chemistry, earth sciences, environmental education,
37 natural resources, or related fields.
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39 g) **ONE (1) MEMBER FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**
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2 **AMENDMENT 2 to Bill No.** _____ 19-17 _____
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4 **Introduced By:** Council Member Kai Hagen
5 **Introduction Date:** January 7, 2020
6 **Adopted/Rejected/Withdrawn:** 6-1: Y:SM,JF,MB,KH,PD N:JD
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9 **An ACT to:** Establish a Sustainable Monocacy Commission.
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11 In the bill preamble, amend as follows:
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14 The County Council of Frederick County, Maryland, finds it necessary and appropriate to
15 establish a Sustainable Monocacy Commission (SMC); provide for the composition term,
16 compensation of members, powers and duties of the SMC, and matters generally relating to the
17 SMC.

18 **THE MONOCACY RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES ARE VALUED NATURAL**
19 **RESOURCES OF FREDERICK COUNTY, WITH THE RIVER HAVING BEEN**
20 **RECOGNIZED BY THE STATE OF MARYLAND FOR ITS NATURAL HABITAT,**
21 **HISTORICAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES, AND ITS SCENIC, CULTURAL AND**
22 **RECREATIONAL VALUE TO THE COUNTY AND STATE, AS WELL AS A**
23 **SIGNIFICANT SOURCE OF DRINKING WATER FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS. AS A**
24 **RESULT, THE FREDERICK COUNTY COUNCIL FINDS THAT IT IS IN THE**
25 **COUNTY’S INHERENT INTEREST TO MANAGE THE PROTECTION, AND**
26 **SUSTAIN THE WISE USE, OF THE MONOCACY SCENIC RIVER FOR THIS AND**
27 **FUTURE GENERATIONS. THEREFORE, A SUSTAINABLE MONOCACY**
28 **COMMISSION IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED TO ASSESS, ON AN ONGOING BASIS,**
29 **THE CONDITION OF THE RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES, REPORT ON SAME AT**

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1 **ESTABLISHED INTERVALS AS APPROPRIATE, AND MAKE**
2 **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENSURING THE RIVER’S CONTINUED AND**
3 **IMPROVED HEALTH, VIBRANCY, AND CONTRIBUTION TO FREDERICK**
4 **COUNTY AND ITS RESIDENTS AS A HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT AND VALUED**
5 **NATURAL RESOURCE.**

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2 **AMENDMENT 3 to Bill No.** _____ 19-17 _____
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4 **Introduced By:** Council Member Phil Dacey
5 **Introduction Date:** January 7, 2020
6 **Adopted/Rejected/Withdrawn:** 1-6: Y:PD; N:JD,SM,JF,MB,KH, KA
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9 **An ACT to:** Establish a Sustainable Monocacy Commission.
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11 Amendments to Council Bill 19-17:
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13 AMENDMENT 1:
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15 On title page, amend title and opening:
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17 Concerning: [~~Sustainable Monocacy Commission~~] **WATERSHED QUALITY ADVISORY**
18 **COMMISSION**
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20 **AN ACT to:** Establish a [Sustainable Monocacy Commission] **WATERSHED QUALITY**
21 **ADVISORY COMMISSION**

22 AMENDMENT 2:
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24 In the preamble:
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26 The County Council of Frederick County, Maryland, finds it necessary and appropriate to
27 establish a [~~Sustainable Monocacy Commission (SMC)~~] **WATERSHED QUALITY**
28 **ADVISORY COMMISSION (WQAC)**; provide for the composition term, compensation of
29 members, powers and duties of the SMC, and matters generally relating to the SMC.

30 AMENDMENT 3:
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32 **ARTICLE X. [SUSTAINABLE MONOCACY COMMISSION] WATERSHED QUALITY**
33 **ADVISORY COMMISSION**

34 **§1-2-300. Creation, Purpose.**

35 (A) There shall be a Frederick County [~~Sustainable Monocacy Commission (SMC)~~]
36 **WATERSHED QUALITY ADVISORY COMMISSION (WQAC)**.

37 (B) Among its duties, the [~~SMC~~] **WQAC** shall:

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1 1) Recommend policies that: improve water quality, maintain and restore the ecological
2 health and productivity of the [~~Monocacy River and its~~] **RIVERS OF FREDERICK**
3 **COUNTY AND THEIR** tributaries, and conserve and protect wildlife habitat, the
4 natural, cultural, and scenic character of the [~~Monocacy River and its~~] **RIVERS OF**
5 **FREDERICK COUNTY AND THEIR** tributaries flowing in and through Frederick
6 County.

7 2) Review studies, policies, and rules formulated by federal, state, and local government
8 agencies that concern or affect the [~~Monocacy River and its~~] **RIVERS OF**
9 **FREDERICK COUNTY AND THEIR** tributaries, and to comment and provide advice
10 on such proposals as appropriate.

11 3) Review and make recommendations on federal, state, county, and local programs,
12 policies, regulations, and public and private projects, which the [~~SMC~~] **WQAC** believes
13 may have an impact on the [~~Monocacy River and its~~] **RIVERS OF FREDERICK**
14 **COUNTY AND THEIR** tributaries.

15 4) Review and make recommendations concerning the implementation of the most recent,
16 Frederick County-approved Monocacy Scenic River Management Plan and to help fulfill
17 the other objectives as outlined in the document.

18 5) Educate the public and increase awareness about the importance of the [~~Monocacy~~
19 ~~River and its~~] **RIVERS OF FREDERICK COUNTY AND THEIR** tributaries, **THEIR**
20 environmental, cultural, and recreational resources, and provide information related to
21 actions that can be taken by individuals and communities to reduce pollution, conserve
22 water, and promote a healthy and productive [~~Monocacy River and its~~] **RIVERS OF**
23 **FREDERICK COUNTY AND THEIR** tributaries.

24 6) Prepare a written report outlining the activities, goals, and accomplishments of the
25 [~~SMC~~] **WQAC** annually or as appropriate. This report shall be submitted to the County
26 Executive and County Council, and posted on the [~~SMC~~] **WQAC** website.

27 7) Meet and collaborate with the [~~Carroll County River Board (or its equivalent board)]~~
28 **OTHER EQUIVALENT BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS IN ADJACENT**
29 **JURISDICTIONS** annually or as needed and agreed upon by the two boards.

30 **§1-2-301. Membership.**

31 (A) Number.

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33 Subject to confirmation by the County Council, the County Executive shall appoint
34 up to nine (9) members to the [~~SMC~~] **WQAC**, all of whom shall be registered voters
35 and residents of Frederick County. The elected official from the City of Frederick, or
36 designee, shall be a non-voting member of the [~~SMC~~] **WQAC**. The elected official
37 from the County Council, or designee, shall be a non-voting member of the [~~SMC~~]
38 **WQAC**.

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1 (B) Composition.

2 1) The ~~[SMC]~~ **WQAC** shall consist of:

3 a) Two (2) owners of property adjacent to Monocacy River;

4 b) Two (2) owners of property not contiguous to Monocacy River;

5 c) One (1) elected official of The City of Frederick, or designee, non-voting;

6 d) One (1) elected official of the County Council, or designee, non-voting;

7 e) One (1) representative of the agricultural community; and

8 f) Two (2) individuals having educational expertise or experience in the fields of
9 biology, ecology, chemistry, earth sciences, environmental education, natural
10 resources, or related fields.

11 **§1-2-302. Terms, Reappointments, Vacancies.**

12 (A) The term of office of each of the members shall be for a period of four (4) years.

13 (B) Of the initial nine (9) members, four (4) shall be appointed for a four-year term; and
14 three (3) shall be appointed for a three-year term; and two (2) shall be appointed for a
15 two-year term.

16 (C) Members may be reappointed, but may not serve more than two (2) full consecutive
17 four year terms.

18 (D) Vacancies shall be filled on the same basis as the original appointments for the
19 unexpired terms. Members shall continue in office until their successors are appointed
20 and qualified.

21 **§1-2-304. Chair, Vice-Chair.**

22 The Chair and Vice Chair will be selected by the members of the ~~[SMC]~~ **WQAC**.

23 **§1-2-305. Meetings and Quorum.**

24 (A) The ~~[SMC]~~ **WQAC** shall meet as frequently as determined by the ~~[SMC]~~ **WQAC**,
25 but not less than twice per calendar year. Meeting locations shall be determined by the

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1 [SMC] WQAC Chair and shall be in Frederick County, open to the public, and ADA
2 accessible.

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4 (B) Notice of the date, time, and place of the [SMC] WQAC meetings shall meet the
5 requirements of the Maryland Open Meetings Act.

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7 (C) A majority of the [SMC] WQAC voting members shall constitute a quorum for the
8 transaction of regular business.

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10 (D) Any voting member of the [SMC] WQAC who fails to attend at least 50% of the
11 meetings during any period of 24 consecutive months shall be considered to have
12 resigned. Subject to confirmation by the County Council, the County Executive shall
13 appoint a replacement.

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15 **§1-2-306. Rules and Regulations.**

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17 The [SMC] WQAC shall adopt rules to govern its procedures and activities.

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19 **§1-2-307. Compensation.**

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21 Members of the [SMC] WQAC shall receive no compensation for their services.

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23 **§1-2-308. County Staff.**

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25 A county staff member will be designated by the County Executive as a liaison to assist
26 the [SMC] WQAC in its duties.

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