



City of Bowie

Memorandum

Thursday, November 30, 2023

Alfred D. Lott, ICMA-CM, CPM,
City Manager

STATUS REPORT

1. Virtual Stakeholders Meeting - Premier A-2 Consolidated Storage, Old Annapolis Road

The Planning Department has scheduled a Virtual Stakeholders Meeting for the proposed 95,000 square foot consolidated storage project, proposed at 13600-13604 Old Annapolis Road, on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Zoom. The property owner will be submitting a Preliminary Plan of subdivision and Detailed Site Plan for a 95,000 square foot consolidated storage facility. The subject property contains less than one acre and is located on the north side of Old Annapolis Road, approximately 320 feet east of Grenville Lane in the CGO (Commercial General Office) and LCD (Legacy Comprehensive Design) zones, where the proposed use is permitted by right. The developer is Premier Storage Investors, a national company that has developed many facilities in Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida. The web address for Premier Storage Investment is <https://www.premierstorageinvestors.com/>. City hearings will be held in early 2024.

2. County "Bag It Right" (CB-32-2023) Initiative Takes Effect January 1, 2024

The "Bag It Right" (Better Bag Bill, CB-32-2023) initiative goes into effect on January 1, 2024, and bans retail establishments from providing plastic bags at the point of sale/checkout. This initiative is largely to keep plastic out of waterways and the environment and encourages residents to bring reusable bags from home. Paper bags will be available for 10 cents per bag and there are some exemptions, such as produce and items picked up from a dry cleaner, for instance. In an effort to prepare residents for the upcoming change, the Sustainability Division and Communications Department have planned to put out messaging in the following ways:

- Website and calendar posts
- Share County press release
- Bowie Spotlight articles – December, January, & February
- NextDoor posts
- Message board announcements
- Bowie Brief articles – December & January
- Alert Bowie and the Govt. Channel
- Social media posts – December & January
- Welcome Packet for new residents – include County flyer

- Social media messages – weekly December & January
- City produced video explaining change in law

In the meantime, for more information, please visit the County Bag It Right webpage and see the attached factsheet and graphics.

3. WB&A Bridge over the Patuxent

Anne Arundel County is aiming for a January 2024 completion date for the WB&A bridge. Back in September, Anne Arundel County was nearing an agreement to restart construction after some protocol issues with the SHA contract. No construction was allowed, which set the project back. If there is a harsh winter, it could set the completion date back to next spring. We will keep you informed as events progress.

4. Economic Development Committee (EDC) November 29, 2023 Meeting

The City's EDC met on Wednesday, November 29 and discussed the consultant's Old Town Bowie 5-Year Strategic Plan. Some community stakeholders attended and participated in the discussion. The EDC asked staff to arrange a community meeting in Old Town Bowie in early 2024 to allow community members to comment on the 5-Year Plan. The consultant's report packet may be downloaded here: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/jhnqj00u75igxnu6aiyf5/h?rlkey=vfnerliq28pfgjf44lngxhhfe&dl=0>

The EDC did NOT have a quorum. The next regular meeting of the EDC is Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 7:30 a.m.

5. Toro Workman HDX Acquisition

The adopted Fiscal Year 2024 Budget has allocated \$33,000 to replace #339, a 2008 Sandpro Infield Groomer, in the Parks and Grounds Division of Community Services. Staff has found a current Fairfax County Contract #4400009285 which will be honored by Turf Equipment and Supply Company, in Jessup, Maryland for \$33,629.

Sufficient money is available in the Parks and Grounds Materials, Supplies, and Minor Equipment account for the additional funds of \$629 to purchase this equipment.

As provided in Section 62 of the City Charter, this will serve as the required seven (7) day notice of intent to issue a purchase order to Turf Equipment and Supply Company, in the amount of \$33,629.



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15901 Fred Robinson Way
Bowie, Maryland 20716

November 27, 2023

NOTICE OF VIRTUAL STAKEHOLDERS MEETING

Preliminary Plan of Subdivision PPS-2022-014

Detailed Site Plan DET-2022-012

Premier A-2 Bowie Consolidated Storage Facility

Proposal: 95,000 square foot consolidated storage facility

**Site Area: 0.84 acres/Zoned CGO (Commercial General Office)
and LCD (Legacy Comprehensive Design)**

Location: 13600 and 13604 Old Annapolis Road

Applicant: Premier A-2 Bowie, LLC

Dear Business Owner, Resident or Interested Party:

The City has scheduled a Virtual Stakeholders Meeting in Zoom regarding the above proposal, which will be filed with The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). The property owner will be submitting a Preliminary Plan of subdivision and Detailed Site Plan for a 95,000 square foot consolidated storage facility. The subject property contains less than one acre and is located on the north side of Old Annapolis Road, approximately 320 feet east of Grenville Lane at 13600 and 13604 Old Annapolis Road in the CGO (Commercial General Office) and LCD (Legacy Comprehensive Design) zones.

The Virtual Stakeholders Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. No City public hearings have been scheduled at this time.

Attendees at the Stakeholders Meeting must register and may join in by using the following link: <https://bowie.fyi/stakeholders12-12>, participate using the "Listen Only" mode, and ask questions through the Q & A function. Your attendance and participation are encouraged at this Stakeholder Meeting. If you should have any questions regarding this project, please contact me during business hours by emailing jmeinert@cityofbowie.org or by calling 301-809-3045. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Meinert, AICP
Director of Planning and Sustainability

PLASTIC BAG BAN

Starting January 1, 2024

Prince George's County will prohibit retail stores from providing plastic bags



Plastic bags prohibited at the point of sale.



Paper bags are available for \$0.10 each.



Reusable bags are highly encouraged!



This ban, known as the Better Bag Bill, is an effort to keep plastic bags out of our environment.



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BAG it RIGHT

in Prince George's County



Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive



Effective January 1, 2024, Prince George's County prohibits a retail establishment from providing a plastic carryout bag to shoppers and, with certain exceptions*, must charge and retain at least 10 cents for each paper carryout or reusable bag provided to a customer.

WHY THE BAN?

To protect the environment, marine life and reduce litter.

WHO IS AFFECTED?

All retail stores, restaurants, grocery stores, or any other establishment that provides single-use plastic bags to its customers as a result of the sale of a product, or service whether for-profit or not-for-profit.

BAG BILL GUIDELINES

What is allowed

Stores and restaurants shall use/sell paper bags or reusable bags at a minimum 10-cent fee.

"Reusable carryout bag" means a bag with stitched handles specifically designed and manufactured for multiple reuse and is made of: Cloth or other washable fabric; Or a durable material suitable for multiple re-use that is not made of plastic film.



Exceptions

Plastic bags used to: Package bulk items, including fruit, vegetables, nuts, grains, candy, or small hardware items; Wrap frozen foods, meat, or fish, whether prepackaged or not; Wrap flowers, potted plants, or other damp items; Contain unwrapped prepared foods or bakery goods; Protect or contain garments or dry-cleaned clothes; protect suits, dresses, and formal wear; Take live fish, insects, mollusks, or crustaceans away from the retail store.

Charge for paper bags used to: Contain pharmacy prescriptions; Package prepared food provided at the drive-through window; and Provided by a full-service restaurant after a meal for leftovers.

What's out?

Single-use plastic bags



Plan Now. Start Bringing Your Reusable Bag When You Shop!

For more information, visit mypgc.us/bagitright