City of Bowie
Memorandum

Thursday, February 12, 2026
Alfred D. Lott, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager

STATUS REPORT

1. Doing Business in Bowie: Commercial Permitting Explained Event

On February 10, 2026, the City of Bowie, in partnership with the Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE), hosted an in-person informational session focused on commercial permitting requirements and processes. The session was held at Bowie City Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Participants heard directly from representatives of DPIE, the City of Bowie Code Compliance Department, the Department of Public Works, and the Economic Development Office. Attendees gained a comprehensive understanding of the steps required to open, renovate, expand, or operate a commercial space within the City of Bowie and Prince George's County. A key objective of the session was to introduce and highlight the role of the Permit Liaison Specialist and to emphasize the City's collaborative approach with County partners to better support the local business community. Participants received clear guidance, practical insights, and the opportunity to engage directly with City and County representatives. Overall, the session was well received and provided attendees with the information and connections needed to navigate the commercial permitting process more efficiently.