

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

At their regular meeting held on March 27, 2018, Commissioner Anderson introduced County Ordinance No. 18-04, A BILL ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING Revisions to the Queen Anne's County Ethics Ordinance, Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County, Maryland; FOR THE PURPOSE of revising and updating the Queen Anne's County Ethics Ordinance, including Sections 8-11, 8-13 and 8-14 of Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws, to conform to the requirement that the Queen Anne's County Ethics Law be substantially similar to the State law; prohibiting disclosure of an individual's home address included in any financial disclosure filed after January 1, 2019; prohibiting any person subject to the County Ethics Ordinance from assisting or representing another party for compensation in a matter that is the subject of legislative action for two calendar years from the date the individual leaves County office, ceases County employment or ceases service on a County Board or Commission; prohibiting former registered lobbyists from participating in certain matters for one calendar year after termination of registration under certain circumstances; requiring disclosure by a lobbyist on statements filed on or after January 1, 2019, if the individual's spouse is a registered lobbyist, the entity that has engaged the spouse for lobbying purposes; providing procedure for failure to file annual disclosure forms and the granting of extensions and for incomplete or inadequate disclosure forms and generally revising and updating Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws. BY AMENDING Sections 8-11, 8-13 and 8-14 of Code of Public Local Laws and ADDING a new Subsection 8-11A.(10) and (11), 8-13 L. and 8-14C.(2)(e).

The County Commissioners hereby give notice that a public hearing will be held on the Ordinance on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 10:45 a.m. in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, The Liberty Building, 107 North Liberty Street, Centreville, Maryland.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance may be obtained at the County Commissioners Office, 107 North Liberty Street, Centreville, Maryland 21617, prior to the hearing during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or on-line at www.qac.org.

Speakers will be limited to three minutes each. Written testimony of any length may be submitted on or before the hearing date to the County Commissioners, 107 North Liberty Street, Centreville, Maryland 21617.

All hearing sites are accessible to individuals with disabilities. Sign language interpreters and assistive listening systems will be available for individuals with disabilities. If any such assistance is necessary, please contact Mrs. Tina Miles at 410-758-4406 or TDD 410-758-2126 at least seven (7) days before the scheduled hearing.

By Authority of

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

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