



Prince George's County Vehicle Use Review Board

APRIL 3, 2017
MINUTES

The following Vehicle Use Review Board members were present at 1:08 p.m.

Vehicle Use Review Board Members:

Dr. Jacqueline L. Brown
Samuel A. Epps, IV
Enor R. Williams, Jr.

Council Members and Staff:

Howard W. Stone, Jr.
Maurice Simpson, Jr.
Rodney Streeter

Colette R. Gresham
Karen Campbell

Other Attendees:

Arelis R. Hernandez
Robert E. Jenner

Steve Hawkins
Angela Simms

OPENING REMARKS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chair Jacqueline Brown, called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. The Board reviewed and approved the minutes from the March 20th meeting. The Chair welcomed everyone and gave an overview of the agenda. Staff briefed the Board on the broader scope of work outlined in CR-1-2017, which requires the Board to review AP 610 and 621 and a survey of current vehicle use procedures to surrounding jurisdictions and compile a preliminary report of proposed recommendations for amendments, additions, or refinements to the County's procedures.

DISCUSSION:

Staff gave an overview on the jurisdictional comparisons of vehicle policies. Anne Arundel County eliminated the use of a county owned vehicle and monthly car allowance for their Council members in 2010; Montgomery County does not have a take home vehicle program but they allow for mileage reimbursement; Fairfax County does not have a take home vehicle program; Charles County allows requests for take home vehicles; Baltimore City provides within individual Council members office budgets the money to lease a vehicle; and the District of Columbia provides for a car pool for members to check in and out vehicles but does not have a take home vehicle policy.

Rick Hilmer, Fleet Manager, Office of Central Services, provided a chart listing the number of fleet vehicles per County agency. There are 68 vehicles in the Fleet/Motor Pool for grant program support and work day assigned vehicles. The Police Department has the highest number with 2,060 vehicles. It was suggested that we not address public safety agencies, i.e. Police and Fire, as it relates to how they manage their fleet operation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Board reviewed the 11 comments received thus far from the VURB web site. The comments included suggesting a car sharing service; a tiered process for individuals who have abused the policy; streamlining the policy to provide for more accountability; and to provide monthly travel reports. Written comments were also received from Dr. Robert Jenner on the use of County vehicles and/or the County's reimbursement to County Council members for the use of their own personal vehicles; and the vetting process used to assess who should be given the privilege of using County vehicles.

Meeting adjourned -1:57 p.m.

Next Meeting – April 17, 2017 at 1 p.m.