

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2024-18**

**RESOLUTION NO. 53-2024**

**Title of Resolution:** Appointment—Board of Appeals – Scott Williams, Gabriele Coutz, Michael Linkous and Willard Whiteman

**Synopsis:** A Resolution to confirm the appointment of Scott Williams with a term to expire on August 15, 2026, Gabriele Coutz with a term to expire on August 15, 2025, reappointment of Michael Linkous with a term to expire on August 15, 2026, and reappointment of Willard Whiteman as the alternate, with a term to expire on August 6, 2025 to the Cecil County Board of Appeals.

**Introduced by:** Council President at the request of the County Executive

**Introduced and order posted on:** October 1, 2024

**Consideration scheduled on:** October 15, 2024

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Manager

Notice of time and title of Resolution having been posted by October 1, 2024 at the County Administrative Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd, Elkton, and consideration by the County Council of Cecil County having been scheduled on October 15, 2024.

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Council Manager

Explanation: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING ORDINANCE.  
~~Strike through~~ indicate matter deleted from existing ordinance.  
Underlining indicates language added by amendment.  
~~Double Strike through~~ indicates language deleted by amendment.

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1           **WHEREAS**, a local jurisdiction may establish by local law a planning commission with the  
2 powers and duties, pursuant to Section 2-101. Authority to establish, Subtitle 1. Organization and  
3 General Authority, Title 2. Planning Commission, Division I. Single-Jurisdiction Planning and Zoning, in  
4 the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

5           **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Board of Appeals shall consist of five regular members and one  
6 alternate member, who must be residents of Cecil County; pursuant to Section 9-704 Board of  
7 Appeals, Subtitle 7. Cecil County, Title 9. Single-Jurisdiction Planning and Zoning, in the Land Use  
8 Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the Cecil County Board of Appeals shall be appointed by the County Executive and  
10 approved by the County Council, pursuant to Section 298. Board of Appeals Established, Part II.  
11 Board of Appeals, Article XVI. Administrative Mechanisms, of the Cecil County Zoning Ordinance;  
12 and

13           **WHEREAS**, the power and duties of the Board of Appeals are to hear and decide appeals  
14 when it is alleged that there is an error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made  
15 by the Zoning Administrator or any other administrative official in the enforcement of the zoning  
16 ordinance; and to hear and decide special exceptions as provided in the zoning ordinance; and to  
17 authorize upon application a variance from the provisions of the zoning ordinance; and

18           **WHEREAS**, Article 4, Section 412 (b) of the Charter of Cecil County provides, except as  
19 provided in Section 412(c) or prescribed by State law or other provisions, that the County Executive  
20 shall appoint all members of boards and commissions, subject to confirmation by the Council; and

21           **WHEREAS**, The County Executive approves the appointment of Scott Williams who is  
22 replacing Brad Carrillo with a term to expire on August 15, 2026, Gabriele Coutz who is replacing  
23 Willard Whiteman with a term to expire on August 15, 2025, and the reappointment of Michael  
24 Linkous with a term to expire August 15, 2026 and Willard Whiteman as the alternate with a term to  
25 expire August 6, 2025 to the Board of Appeals.

26           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**  
27 **MARYLAND**, that the County Council confirms the appointment of Scott Williams with a term to  
28 expire on August 15, 2026, Gabriele Coutz with a term to expire on August 15, 2025, and the

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29 reappointment of Michael Linkous with a term to expire August 15, 2026 and Willard Whiteman as  
30 the alternate with a term to expire August 6, 2025 to the Board of Appeals.

31 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its  
32 passage by the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland.

**INTRODUCED: October 1, 2024**

**ADOPTED:**

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President of the Council

ATTEST:

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Council Manager