

CODE HOME RULE

BILL NO. 1-20

A Bill Entitled:

“AN ACT TO AMEND THE ZONING TEXT FOUND IN CHAPTER 360 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF ALLEGANY COUNTY, MARYLAND TO *DEFINE BANQUET/ASSEMBLY HALLS* (2011 EDITION AS AMENDED)”

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SECTION I.

WHEREAS, Chapter 360 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Maryland, establishes zoning requirements for Allegany County; and

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend the current Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Maryland, to clarify the definition of Banquet/Assembly Halls within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County, Maryland find that the amendment to the current code is necessary to *foster the continued development related to Banquet/Assembly Halls within the County.*

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority granted by the State of Maryland, it is hereby proposed that the following amendments be approved and enacted to Chapter 360 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Maryland (2011 Edition):

§ 360-59. Definitions and word usage.

BANQUET/ASSEMBLY HALL – Any place of business maintained for public rental for the purpose of private party events, whether family, group, or corporate in nature, where access by the general public is restricted, and with or without the sale, serving, or consumption of food and/or alcoholic beverages.

And it is further enacted that Table 1 “Table of Permissible Uses” shall be hereby amended to reflect the textual change as follows:

	<i>R-1</i>	<i>R-2</i>	<i>B-1</i>	<i>B-2</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>GU</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>C</i>
Recreation/Amusement/Entertainment								
<i>Banquet/Assembly Hall</i> <i>(See § 360-124.2</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>PC</i>	<i>PC</i>	<i>X</i>	<i>PC</i>	<i>SC</i>	<i>SC</i>

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§ 360-124.2 Banquet/Assembly Halls

Banquet/Assembly Halls shall be permitted in the B-1, B-2 and GU Districts and may be permitted as a special exception by the Board of Appeals in the A and C Districts, subject to the following conditions:

- A. Projects shall conform to § 360-135, General development standards, as applicable.**
- B. A fifty-foot screening buffer is required along the side and rear lot lines in the A and C Districts.**
- C. Provisions for off-street parking and loading shall conform to requirements in § 360-139.**
- D. New and existing farm structures, for the purposes of being constructed and/or renovated and utilized as a banquet/assembly hall, are not considered agricultural structures and, therefore, are not exempt from meeting the requirements of Chapter 255, Building Construction.**
- E. Projects shall conform to § 360-136, Commercial, industrial and institutional development standards.**
- F. Projects may be subject to the site development plan review/approval process. Refer to § 360-76.**

SECTION II.

Sections comprising Article XVII through Article XXII of Chapter 260 360 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Maryland shall be renumbered to reflect the addition of the provisions of this Code Home Rule Bill.

SECTION III.

All other provisions of the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Maryland (2011 Edition, as amended), ordinances, regulations, and orders, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this Bill are hereby repealed.

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SECTION IV.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEGANY COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Act shall be effective forty-five (45) days after its passage.

PASSED this 27 day of August, 2020.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALLEGANY COUNTY, MARYLAND**



Jacob C. Shade, President

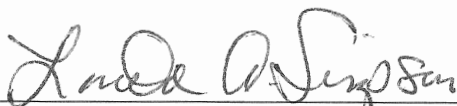


Creade V. Brodie, Jr. Commissioner



David J. Caporale, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Linda A. Simpson, County Clerk