

Date: 30 October 2025

Subject: **Suggested Revisions to the Inspector General (IG) Advisory Board Rules of Procedure**

Good evening.

I am Stu Kohn from Scaggsville testifying on behalf of the Howard County Citizens Association, HCCA as its President. We appreciate the members sitting on this Board as your credentials speak for themselves. We look forward to seeing the Inspector General performing as an oversight to promote good governance for our county. We have suggestions for potential improvements and questions to your draft Rules of Procedure which are as follows:

1. After the title include an “as of Date in the format of mm/dd/yyyy.
2. Number the pages.
3. Question - whenever the number of days is mentioned are you speaking of “business” or “calendar” days?
4. Refer to 1.02A - Membership the 2nd line - after the word “Resolution provide the Council the Resolution number.
5. Refer to 1.02A - Membership the 6th line - capitalize the “u” in “Unaffiliated.”
6. Refer to Page 2 - E. Removal – 2nd line after the word “attending” add “three consecutive. After the word “meetings,” add “as stated in Section 1.04G.”
7. Refer to Page 2 – 1.03 iii – after the word “procedures add the words “on a semi-annual basis and its findings shall be documented in its website.”
8. Refer to Page 3 1.04D - 4th line after the word “of” add the word “all”
9. Refer to Page 3 5th line - after the word “public” add the words “displayed on the Inspector General Advisory Board’s website.”
10. Refer to Page 4 - H. Reporting 6th line - after the word ‘Act’ delete the period and add the words “and conduct a Public Hearing.”

11. Refer to Page 4 1.05 ii. Public Notice - change to “1.06 Public Notice”
12. Refer to Page 4 1.05 2nd sentence - after the word “newspapers” - add the words “, on the county website a”
13. Refer to Page 4 - After the suggested 1.06 add another section 1.07 titled “Public Hearing” and include the following in this section:
 - i. The Board shall conduct a Public Hearing at the end of each calendar year to discuss the required report and respond to the public’s testimony.
 - ii. Need to include the length of time allowed to testify.
 - iii. Need to discuss public meetings will be conducted in hybrid mode both virtual and public testimony.
 - iv. Need to state how to register to testify.

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