

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2009, Legislative Day No. 29

Bill No. 54-09

Introduced by Mr. Benoit

By The County Council, June 15, 2009

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Introduced and first read on June 15, 2009

Public Hearing set for July 20, 2009

Bill Expires September 18, 2009

By Order: Judy C. Holmes, Administrative Officer

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Zoning – Special Exceptions – Race Tracks other than  
2 Horse Race Tracks

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4 FOR the purpose of amending zoning requirements for race tracks other than horse race  
5 tracks to establish permitted hours for racing; applying the hourly restrictions to all  
6 conforming and non-conforming race tracks; providing for the applicability of this  
7 Ordinance; and generally relating to racetracks as special exception and non-  
8 conforming uses.

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10 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments: § 18-11-141  
11 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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13 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County,*  
14 *Maryland,* That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as  
15 follows:

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17 **ARTICLE 18. ZONING**

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19 **18-11-141. Race tracks other than horse race tracks.**

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21 A race track for a use other than horses shall comply with all of the following  
22 requirements.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1           (1) The facility shall be located on a lot of at least 100 acres for automobile,  
2 stock car, or drag racing, at least 50 acres for miniature race car racing, and at least five  
3 acres for go-cart racing.

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5           (2) Vehicular access shall be located on an arterial or a collector road within  
6 one-quarter mile of a freeway or principal arterial road and may not be located on a  
7 freeway or a local road.

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9           (3) The facility may not draw vehicular traffic through local roads in  
10 surrounding residential areas.

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12           (4) Each use shall be located at least 200 feet from any residentially zoned  
13 property.

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15           (5) Racing of automobiles is prohibited within one mile of a residentially  
16 zoned property.

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18           (6) Adequate onsite reservoir space at the vehicular entrance and sufficient  
19 vehicular entrances and exits shall be provided to prevent traffic congestion.

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21           (7) Separate vehicular entrances and exits shall be provided at least 100 feet  
22 apart and at least 50 feet from any street intersection.

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24           (8) Each structure shall be located at least 100 feet from all lot lines.

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26           (9) Parking may not be located in a required setback and shall be located at  
27 least 500 feet from any lot line for automobile, stock car, drag, or miniature car racing  
28 and 100 feet from any lot line for go-cart racing.

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30           (10) AUTOMOBILE, STOCK CAR, AND DRAG RACING IS PROHIBITED BETWEEN  
31 THE HOURS OF 10 P.M. TO 11:00 A.M. SUNDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AND 11 P.M. AND 10:00  
32 A.M. ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

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34           SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That § 18-11-141(10) of the Anne Arundel  
35 County Code (2005, as amended) as enacted by Section 1 of this Ordinance shall apply to  
36 all race tracks other than horse race tracks in Anne Arundel County, including race tracks  
37 in existence as nonconforming uses or approved as special exceptions before the effective  
38 date of this Ordinance

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40           SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days  
41 from the date it becomes law.