

Committee: Directly to Council

Staff: Sara Tenenbaum, Clerk of the Council

Purpose: To interview

Keywords: #DEP

AGENDA ITEM #2
June 13, 2023
INTERVIEW

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### **SUBJECT**

To interview the County Executive's nominee for the Director of the Department of Environmental Protection.

## **EXPECTED ATTENDEES**

Jon Monger

Rich Madaleno, Chief Administrative Officer

## **COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

None.

# **DESCRIPTION/ISSUE**

On May 15, 2023, the County Executive transmitted the appointment request of Mr. Jon Monger as Director of the Department of Environmental Protection. The Council is scheduled to interview Mr. Monger on June 13, 2023.

This appointment will be effective upon confirmation by the Council.

#### **SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS**

Not applicable.

#### **This report contains:**

Memorandum request for appointment

Draft Resolution

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#### OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Marc Elrich
County Executive

#### **MEMORANDUM**

May 15, 2023

TO: Evan Glass, President

Montgomery County Council

FROM: Marc Elrich, County Executive Man Elli

RE: Appointment of Director, Department of Environmental Protection

I am transmitting the appointment of Jon Monger for the position of Director of the Department of Environmental Protection. Mr. Monger is being appointed at a salary of \$225,000. His appointment will be effective upon confirmation by the County Council.

#### Enclosures

cc: Judy Rupp, Clerk of the Council, Montgomery County Council
Richard S. Madaleno, Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the County Executive
Fariba Kassiri, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the County Executive
Ken Hartman, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Office of the County Executive
Dale Tibbitts, Special Assistant to the County Executive, Office of the County Executive

## **APPOINTMENT**

# PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED TO ME UNDER SECTION 215 OF THE CHARTER OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND, I HEREBY APPOINT

Jon Monger

TO SERVE AS Director, Department of Environmental Protection.

THIS APPOINTMENT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UPON CONFIRMATION BY THE COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND.

MARC ELRICH

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE** 

May 15, 2023

DATE



## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Marc Elrich County Executive

Richard S. Madaleno Chief Administrative Officer

#### **MEMORANDUM**

May 15, 2023

TO: Evan Glass, President

Montgomery County Council

Richard S. Madaleno, Chief Administrative Officer FROM:

Due Diligence on Non-Merit Appointment – Jon Monger RE:

The purpose of this memo is to confirm that in making appointments for non-merit positions, our selection process utilizes thorough reference checks, criminal history, checks for wants and warrants, credit history and other inquiries appropriate to the position being filled.

Please be assured that due diligence was exercised in determining the suitability of Jon Monger for appointment as Director of the Department of Environmental Protection. In addition, Mr. Monger has filed his Financial Disclosure Statement.

Judy Rupp, Clerk of the Council, Montgomery County Council cc: Fariba Kassiri, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the County Executive Ken Hartman, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Office of the County Executive Dale Tibbitts, Special Assistant to the County Executive, Office of the County Executive

## JON I. MONGER

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, D.C.

2012 - 2017; 2021 - 2023

Assistant Deputy Administrator (2021 – present). Provide policy advice and recommendations to most senior agency leadership; coordinate agency management and programmatic and operational priorities, including staffing and workforce planning; regional operations; diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility; congressional oversight, and COVID-19 response.

*Policy Advisor, Office of Transportation and Air Quality* (2013 – 2017). Offer regulatory, legal, and policy counsel on renewable fuel issues; managed rulemakings and administrative adjudications.

White House Liaison (2012 – 2013). Served on Administrator's transition team, responsible for developing key personnel portfolios; oversaw recruitment and hiring of presidential appointees; managed White House policy reporting.

#### U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on Energy and Commerce, Washington, D.C.

2017 - 2021

Counsel, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Planned and directed all stages of oversight investigations and hearings, including negotiating with opposing counsel and staff, conducting witness interviews, and analyzing evidence.

# National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling,

Washington, D.C.

2010 - 2011

*Counsel*. One of eight investigators who examined root causes of the oil spill through witness interviews and discovery; contributing author and researcher of Presidential report and technical appendix.

## The White House, Executive Office of the President, Washington, D.C.

2010, 2011

Associate (2011 – 2011); Domestic Policy Council Intern (2010).

**Hon. James Brady, U.S. District Judge, Middle District of Louisiana,** Baton Rouge, La. *Legal Intern*.

2008

**Association of State Democratic Chairs, Democratic National Committee,** Washington, D.C. 2004 – 2007 *Director of Special Projects.* 

#### **EDUCATION**

The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, Washington, D.C., J.D.

- *Magna cum laude*; Faculty Merit Scholarship Recipient, 2007 2010
- The Catholic University Law Review, Smith Award for Extraordinary Service; Note and Comment Editor
- Admitted to practice law in the State of Maryland

The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

#### **PUBLICATION**

Note, *Thirsting for Equal Protection: The Legal Implications of Municipal Water Access in* Kennedy v. City of Zanesville *and the Need for Federal Oversight of Governments Practicing Unlawful Race Discrimination*, 59 CATH. U. L. REV. 587 (2010)

	Resolution: Introduced: Adopted:
	COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND
	By: County Council
Subject:	County Executive's Appointment of Director, Department of Environmental Protection
following re	The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the solution:
	The County Executive's appointment of Director, Department of Environmental Protection
	Jon Monger
	The appointment of Mr. Monger is confirmed by the County Council.
This is a cor	rect copy of Council action:
Sara Tenenbaum Clerk of the Council	