



June 1, 2021

### Take Action Today: Howard County Suspension of Deadline Effects Ends June 30

On May 19, 2021, Howard County Executive Calvin Ball signed [Executive Order 2021-12](#) that reinstates any previously suspended effects of deadlines and due dates as of July 1, 2021. This action rescinds two prior executive orders that suspended the effects of certain deadlines and due dates administered by Howard County due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The County Executive signed the two prior executive orders after the Governor authorized local governments to suspend the effects of certain deadlines up to 30 days after the termination of the County's state of emergency.

In March 2021, the Governor rescinded the authority previously given to local governments and required effects of all deadlines and due dates be reinstated no later than June 30, 2021. County Executive Ball's Executive Order 2021-12 complies with the Governor's directive and provides approximately six weeks of notice that any previously suspended effects of deadlines or due dates would only continue through June 30, 2021. **Howard County residents and businesses should be aware that the effects of deadlines and due dates that were previously suspended by the County Executive are reinstated as of July 1, 2021, as ordered by the Governor.**

The reinstatement impacts a number of procedures managed by the Department of Planning & Zoning. The effect of any deadline or due date suspended pursuant to prior executive orders will be effective as of July 1, 2021.

The May 19, 2021 Executive Order supersedes any previous communications regarding the suspension of the effects of deadlines or their reinstatement. **If a deadline or due date applicable to you has passed in the last 14 months, the effect of which has been suspended by prior executive orders, we encourage you to take action to meet the deadline or due date prior to July 1, 2021.**

#### Questions?

If you have questions about the reimplementation of deadline and due date effects, please contact:

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