

# City of Baltimore

City Council  
City Hall, Room 408  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202



## Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, January 22, 2024

5:00 PM

City Hall, 4th Floor, Du Burns Chambers

### Baltimore City Council

*Nicholas J. Mosby, President of the Council - District 1: Zeke Cohen - District 2:  
Danielle N. McCray - District 3: Ryan Dorsey - District 4: Mark Conway - District 5:  
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer - District 6: Sharon Green Middleton - District 7: James  
Torrence - District 8: Kristerfer Burnett - District 9: John T. Bullock - District 10:  
Phylcia Porter - District 11: Eric T. Costello - District 12: Robert Stokes, Sr. - District  
13: Antonio Glover - District 14: Odette Ramos*

**Call to Order****Invocation**

Reverend George Hopkins, BUILD

**Pledge of Allegiance****Showcase Baltimore**

Acting Director Luna (DPW) and Director Johnson (DOT)

**Roll Call****Approval of the Journal**

January 8, 2024

**Communications from the Mayor**

Bills Signed by the Mayor

January 17, 2024

**[23-0366](#)****Zoning - Conditional Use of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - 2001 Boone Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning district on the property known as 2001 Boone Street (Block 4017, Lot 048), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Robert Stokes, Sr.

**[23-0372](#)****Office of CitiStat - Establishment and Administration**

For the purpose of establishing the Office of CitiStat; defining certain terms; providing for the appointment and confirmation of the Director of the Office; establishing the power and duties of the Office; providing for a staff and budget for the Office; establishing a data-driven officer for each principal agency of the Office; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Mark Conway, President Nicholas J. Mosby, Phylicia Porter, John T. Bullock, Sharon Green Middleton, Ryan Dorsey, James Torrence, Odette Ramos

[23-0386](#)**Landmark List - Home of the Friendless**

For the purpose of designating the Home of the Friendless, 1313 Druid Hill Avenue, as an historical landmark: exterior; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello

[23-0408](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 1046 Brantley Avenue**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1046 Brantley Avenue (Block 0115, Lot 071), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain bulk regulations (lot area size), and off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

John T. Bullock

[23-0409](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 2127 McCulloh Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 3 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 2127 McCulloh Street (Block 0310, Lot 013), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain bulk regulations (lot area size); and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

James Torrence

[23-0410](#)**Rezoning - 6311 Eastern Avenue**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 6311 Eastern Avenue (Block 6699, Lot 002A ), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-2 Zoning District to the C-2 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

Zeke Cohen

[23-0425](#)**Improving Safety and Habitability in Supportive and Other Residential Housing**

For the purpose of defining the term “supportive housing facility” in the Baltimore City Building Code; requiring a permit before any person may transfer ownership or operation of certain property in certain circumstances; updating use and occupancy classifications; and categorizing congregate living facilities as rental dwellings and requiring their licensing.

**Sponsors:**

Administration City Council, Odette Ramos

[23-0429](#)**South Baltimore Gateway Community Impact District Management Authority - Board of Directors**

For the purpose of altering certain membership requirements for the Board of Directors for the South Baltimore Gateway Community Impact District Management Authority; amending certain term limits for certain members of the Board of Directors; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Phylcia Porter, Eric T. Costello

[23-0440](#)**Sale of Property - Market Center Renewal Plan Area - 32 Properties**

For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain properties that are located within that area formerly known as the Market Center Renewal Plan Area, originally established by Ordinance 77-579, as last amended by Ordinance 18-214, and are no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello

[23-0452](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - M-R: Arts and Culture - \$581,334**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$581,334 to M-R: Arts and Culture - Service 824 (Events: Art: Culture: and Film), to provide funding for general operations; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0457](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Board of Elections - \$1,300,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$1,300,000 to the Board of Elections - Service 899 (Fair Conduct of Elections), to provide funding for balancing the Board of Elections budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with the 2022 Primary Election; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0458](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - MR: Office of Cable and Communications - \$300,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 to the MR: Office of Cable and Communications - Service 876 (Media Production), to provide funding for balancing the MR: Office of Cable and Communications budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with staffing the service; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0459](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Fire Department - \$18,900,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$18,900,000 to the Fire Department - Service 609 (Emergency Medical Services), to provide funding for balancing the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with staff overtime payments and contractual services to provide Basic Life Service ambulance services; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0461](#) **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of Law - \$1,900,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$1,900,000 to the Department of Law - Service 860 (Administration-Law), to provide funding for balancing the Department of Law budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due legal fees and support services fees exceeding the adopted budget; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** City Council President (Administration)

[23-0462](#) **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Liquor License Board - \$300,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 to the Liquor License Board - Service 850 (Liquor Licensing), to provide funding for balancing the Liquor License Board budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with staff overtime payments; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** City Council President (Administration)

[23-0463](#) **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - MR: Office of Children and Family Success - \$400,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$400,000 to the MR: Office of Children and Family Success - Service 109 (Administration-Children and Family Success), to provide funding for balancing the MR: Office of Children and Family Success budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with unplanned contractual staffing costs that were not fully offset by vacancy savings; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** City Council President (Administration)

[23-0464](#) **Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of Public Works - \$1,900,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$1,900,000 to the Department of Public Works - Service 663 (Waste Removal and Recycling), to provide funding for balancing the Department of Public Works budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to landfill tipping fees and vehicle rental fees exceeding the adopted budget; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** City Council President (Administration)

## Executive Nominations

[EA24-0219](#) **Berneatta Barnes**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 11  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*

[EA24-0220](#) **Dr. Ihuoma Emenuga**  
Commissioner - Health Commissioner - District 13  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*

- [EA24-0221](#)      **Tiane Harrison**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 12  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0222](#)      **Isaiah Lawrence**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 12  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0223](#)      **Aubrey Livi**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 13  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0224](#)      **Lamar Wills Martin**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 12  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0225](#)      **Dante Merrell**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission Member - District 12  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0226](#)      **Kayla Morgan**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 10  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0227](#)      **Trystan Sill**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 11  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0228](#)      **Tica Torres Bolivar**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 1  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0229](#)      **Tramour Wilson**  
Member - Baltimore City LGBTQ Commission - District 9  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*
- [EA24-0230](#)      **Ondoria Harmon**  
Director - Office of Older Adults Affairs and Advocacy - District 10  
*RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*

**Bills Introduced**[24-0481](#)**Revenue Obligations - Wastewater Projects**

For the purpose of increasing the City's authorization to issue revenue obligations within the maximum aggregate principal amount of the revenue obligations authorized and calculated, as of June 30 of each year, by the City to finance or refinance wastewater facilities and, in that connection, amending and restating Ordinance 02-332, as amended by Ordinances 07-421, 11-430, and 14-293; authorizing the Board of Finance to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for, approve, and amend the form, terms, provisions, manner or method of issuing and selling, the time or times of issuance, and all other details of the revenue obligations and any other matters necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale, and payment of these revenue obligations; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the issuance and payment of revenue obligations.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

**ORDINANCE**

*At the request of: Department of Law*

**WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE**

[24-0482](#)**Revenue Obligations - Water Projects**

For the purpose of increasing the City's authorization to issue revenue obligations within the maximum aggregate principal amount of the revenue obligations that may be outstanding authorized and calculated, as of June 30 of each year by the City to finance or refinance water facilities and, in that connection, amending and restating Ordinance 02-331, as amended by Ordinances 04-687, 07-420, 11-429, and 14-292; authorizing the Board of Finance to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for, approve, and amend the form, terms, provisions, manner or method of issuing and selling, the time or times of issuance, and all other details of the revenue obligations and any other matters necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale, and payment of these revenue obligations; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the issuance and payment of revenue obligations.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

**ORDINANCE**

*At the request of: Department of Law*

**WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE**

[24-0483](#)**Revenue Obligations - Stormwater Projects - Maximum Aggregate Principal Amount**

For the purpose of increasing the maximum aggregate principal amount of the revenue obligations that may be outstanding, as of June 30 of each year, under Ordinance 18-174, as amended, by the City to finance or refinance stormwater facilities and, in that connection, amending and restating sections of Ordinance 18-174; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the issuance and payment of revenue obligations.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

*ORDINANCE*

*At the request of: Department of Law*

*WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE*

[24-0484](#)**In Rem Foreclosure - Nuisance Property**

For the purpose of authorizing certain nuisance property located in Baltimore City to be subject to a certain in rem foreclosure process; requiring certain procedures for an in rem foreclosure; requiring the City to take certain actions to compensate the interested parties in property that is acquired through an in rem foreclosure; specifying the circumstances under which an in rem foreclosure judgement may be reopened; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to in rem foreclosure of nuisance property in Baltimore City.

**Sponsors:**

Odette Ramos, City Council President (Administration)

*ORDINANCE*

*WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE*

[24-0485](#)**Tenant Opportunity to Purchase - Corrective Bill**

For the purpose of clarifying a definition under Article 13, Subtitle 6 “Opportunity to Purchase”; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Odette Ramos

*ORDINANCE*

*ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*



## Resolutions Introduced

### [24-0209R](#)

#### **Informational Hearing - Examining Baltimore's Bike Infrastructure**

For the purpose of inviting representatives of the Baltimore City Department of Transportation, the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Parking Authority of Baltimore City, the Mayor's Office on Infrastructure Development, the Office of Equity and Civil Rights, the Baltimore City Public School System, Bikemore, community leaders, local business owners, and other interested parties to discuss: (1) the process of developing new bike infrastructure; (2) the rationale for investing in bike infrastructure and its relationship to larger public transit infrastructure needs and goals; (3) how to achieve greater neighborhood engagement from private citizens and business owners; and (4) strategic planning of new infrastructure for all communities, including updated funding models and consideration of public safety ramifications of existing and proposed infrastructure, before developing new bike infrastructure.

**Sponsors:**

Sharon Green Middleton

*RESOLUTION  
RULES AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE*

### [24-0210R](#)

#### **Request for City and State Action - Establish a State-City Partnership Park at Gwynns Falls/Leakin Park**

For the purpose of calling on all relevant City, State, and nonprofit partners to collaborate on the creation and management of a State-City partnership to enhance and maintain Gwynns Falls/Leakin Park.

**Sponsors:**

Kristerfer Burnett, James Torrence

*RESOLUTION  
IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

## Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

## 2R Second Reader

### ***Economic and Community Development***

### [23-0407](#)

#### **Zoning - Discontinuance or Abandonment of Nonconforming Use - Reporting**

For the purpose of establishing a process for a person to report to the Zoning Administrator that a nonconforming use, or any part of that use, has been discontinued for 12 consecutive months or actually abandoned.

**Sponsors:**

Odette Ramos

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS*

**Rules and Legislative Oversight Committee**

- [EA23-0214](#)     **Paige T. Davis, Jr. CFA**  
Member - Fire and Police Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees - District 1  
*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*
- [EA23-0215](#)     **Philip Costa, MBA, CVP**  
Member - Commission on Sustainability - District 11  
*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*
- [EA23-0216](#)     **J. Morgan Grove, PhD**  
Member - Commission on Sustainability - District 5  
*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*
- [EA24-0217](#)     **Ebony M. Thompson**  
City Solicitor - Department of Law - District 8  
*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*
- [EA24-0218](#)     **William T. Thomas**  
Member - Fair Election Fund Commission - District 3  
*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*

**Committee Announcements****Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2024 AT 5:00 P.M.**

**Adjournment****Cable Hearing Schedule**

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Thank you all for attending this meeting.  
Please check the area around your seat to make certain that you have everything that you brought with you.

We will be closing the room shortly and ask that everyone exit promptly to the 1st floor main entrance.  
Thank you for visiting City Hall.