

TWENTIETH DAY

SECOND COUNCILMANIC YEAR - SESSION OF 2020-2024

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CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE

September 19, 2022

Reverend JaSina Wise of Bethel AME Church, led the Council in Prayer.

The President and members of the Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

SHOWCASE BALTIMORE

Baltimore Flamingos Rugby Football Club delivered a presentation.

Angelo Solera, Founder and Executive Director of Nuestras Raices, Inc., delivered a presentation.

The City Council of Baltimore met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Nicholas J. Mosby, President, and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos Absent: Councilmember Porter (excused)

JOURNAL APPROVED

The Journal of September 12, 2022 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION AND READ FIRST TIME

The President laid before the City Council the following bills and Resolutions of the Mayor and City Council for first reading:

Bill No. 22-0279 - By City Council President (Administration - Department of Housing and Community Development)

An Ordinance amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Bill No. 22-0280 - By City Council President (Administration - Department of Housing and Community Development)

An Ordinance amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Johnston Square to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area, to extend the life of the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendices A and B; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Bill No. 22-0281 - By City Council President (Administration - Department of Housing and Community Development)

An Ordinance amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Middle East to extend the life of the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendices A, C, and D; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Bill No. 22-0282 - By City Council President (Administration - Department of Housing and Community Development)

An Ordinance amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Oliver to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area, to extend the life of the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendices B and C; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Bill No. 22-0283 - By City Council President (Administration - Department of Housing and Community Development)

An Ordinance amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Poppleton to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area, to extend the life of the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendices A and C; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Bill No. 22-0284 - By Councilmember Bullock

An Ordinance designating the area located within certain boundaries as the Sarah Ann Street Historic District.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Bill No. 22-0285 - By Councilmember Dorsey, Cohen, Glover, Ramos, Burnett, Bullock

An Ordinance amending certain provisions of the Baltimore City Zoning Code to promote increased development of low-density multi-family dwellings in certain residential districts; establishing standards for the conversion of single-family dwellings into low-density multi-family dwellings; establishing opportunities to increase density if a low-density multi-family dwelling is a certain distance from certain City amenities; amending certain permitted and conditional uses; amending certain bulk and yard standards; eliminating certain required off-street parking requirements; and defining certain terms.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

The President laid before the City Council the following Council Resolutions for first reading:

Bill No. 22-0136R - By Councilmember Ramos

A resolution inviting the City Solicitor and representatives from the Department of Finance, the Mayor's Office of Information Technology, the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs, and the Office of Equity and Civil Rights to discuss the status of the Baltimore City Municipal Identification Card Program, including obstacles, solutions, and a timeline for implementation.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Health, Environment, and Technology Committee.

Bill No. 22-0137R - By Councilmember Ramos, Cohen, Dorsey, Conway, Burnett

A resolution inviting representatives from the Mayor's Office of Employment Development, the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs, the Department of Human Resources, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Department of Transportation, the Department of General Services, the Office of Equity and Civil Rights, and the Baltimore City Public School System to discuss the hiring of Spanish speakers for employment in City government.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Education, Workforce, and Youth Committee.

Bill No. 22-0138R - By Councilmember Stokes

A resolution inviting the Baltimore Police Commissioner, Chief of Baltimore City Schools Police, Baltimore Sheriff, State's Attorney for Baltimore City, and Deputy Mayor for Public Safety, to explain to the City Council how the agencies and their officials coordinate planning and activities to enhance public safety for the citizens of Baltimore.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Public Safety and Government Operations Committee.

CONSENT CALENDAR

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS NO. 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000, 1001, 1002, 1003, AND 1004 ADOPTED UNDER RULE 3-9.

The resolutions were read.

The roll was called on the adoption of the resolutions, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - 1.

The President declared the resolutions adopted under Rule 3-9.

Ceremonial Resolutions will be found at the end of the Journal.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**BILL NO. 22-0221 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS,
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Middleton, for the Economic and Community Development Committee, reported that the Committee has complied with the Land Use Article of the Maryland Code and recommends the adoption of Bill No. 22-0221 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-7 Zoning District on the property known as 2315 Eutaw Place (Block 3426, Lot 022), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Councilmember Middleton made a motion, duly seconded, that pursuant to Article 32, § 5-406 of the Baltimore City Code the Council adopt these findings of fact concerning a conditional use.

FINDINGS OF FACT

City Council Bill No. 22-0221

Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District - Variance - 2315 Eutaw Place

(1) the establishment, location, construction, maintenance, or operation of the conditional use **will not** be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, or welfare for the following reasons:

Establishment, location, construction, maintenance or operation of a multi-family dwelling at 2315 Eutaw Place, would not be detrimental to or endanger public health, safety, or welfare.

(2) the use **would not** be precluded by any other law, including an applicable Urban Renewal Plan;

The proposed use is not precluded by any other law, including an Urban Renewal Plan.

(3) the authorization **would not** be contrary to the public interest for the following reasons:

Use of this property for a multi-family dwelling is not otherwise in any way contrary to the public interest.

(4) the authorization **would be** in harmony with the purpose and intent of this Code for the following reasons:

The authorization, would be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Code.

After consideration of the following, where applicable (fill out all that are only relevant):

(1) the nature of the proposed site, including its size and shape and the proposed size, shape, and arrangement of structures;

The site, including its size and shape, is appropriate for the proposed use.

(2) the resulting traffic patterns and adequacy of proposed off-street parking and loading;

There would be no change to traffic patterns if this use would be authorized.

(3) the nature of the surrounding area and the extent to which the proposed use might impair its present and future development;

The surrounding area is one in which the predominant residential type was originally single-family owner-occupancy row-housing but in which conversions of some single-family to multi-family dwellings occurred during the 20th Century. For this reason, it is unlikely that the proposed multi-family use would impair present or future development.

(4) the proximity of dwellings, churches, schools, public structures, and other places of public gathering;

There is reasonable proximity of other dwellings, churches and other places of worship, schools, public structures, and places of public gathering.

(5) accessibility of the premises for emergency vehicles;

There is adequate accessibility for emergency vehicles, and of light and air to the premises and to other properties in the vicinity.

(6) the type and location of adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, and other necessary facilities that have been or will be provided;

There are adequate utilities, roads, drainage, and other necessary facilities.

(7) the preservation of cultural and historic landmarks and structures;

The proposed use of the existing structure would not affect preservation of cultural and historic landmarks and structures, including this structure itself.

(8) the character of the neighborhood;

Approval of the proposed use as a multi-family dwelling would not affect the existing character of the neighborhood.

(9) the provisions of the City's Comprehensive Master Plan;

The proposed use is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Master Plan.

(10) the provisions of any applicable Urban Renewal Plan;

The proposed use is not prevented or limited by any Urban Renewal Plan.

(11) all applicable standards and requirements of this Code;

Multi-family use would meet all applicable standards and requirements of the Zoning Code without granting of variances, and would be consistent with the intent and purpose of the Zoning Code.

(12) the intent and purpose of this Code; and

Multi-family use would meet all applicable standards and requirements of the Zoning Code.

(13) any other matters considered to be in the interest of the general welfare.

The proposed use is consistent with any other matters that may be considered to be in the interest of the general welfare.

SOURCE OF FINDINGS (Check all that apply):

Planning Commission's report, dated May 20 2022, which included the Department of Planning, Staff Report, May 19, 2022.

Testimony presented at the Committee hearing

Oral – Witness:

- Martin French, Planning Department
- Hilary Ruley, Law Department
- Liam Davis, Department of Transportation
- Nina Themelis, Mayor's Office of Governmental Relations

Written:

- Planning Commission, Agency Report – Dated May 20, 2022, which included the Department of Planning's Staff Report – Dated May 19, 2022,
- Department of Transportation, Agency Report – Dated September 8, 2022
- Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Agency Report – Dated August 16, 2022
- Law Department, Agency Report – Dated August 18, 2022
- Department of Housing and Community Development, Agency Report – Dated September 13, 2022
- Baltimore Development Corporation, Agency Report – Dated June 8, 2022
- Parking Authority, Agency Report – Dated May 3, 2022
- Fire Department, Agency Report – Dated April 11, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR

Sharon Green Middleton, Chair
John Bullock
John Conway
Ryan Dorsey
Antonio Glover
Odette Ramos
Robert Stokes

Findings of Fact adopted.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 22-0221

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “ – **Variance**”; and, on that same page, in lines 6 and 14, strike “Lot 022” and substitute “Lot 023”.

The amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 22-0246 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS,
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Middleton, for the Economic and Community Development Committee, reported Bill No. 22-0246 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance creating a community benefits district, to be known as the York Corridor Business Improvement District; specifying the boundaries of the District; creating an Authority and providing for its rights, duties, and powers; providing for the selection and composition of the Authority’s Board of Directors; providing for an Administrator for the Authority; mandating the financial responsibilities of the Authority and the City in conjunction with the operation of the District; providing for the assessment, collection, and enforcement of a supplemental tax to be collected by and for the Authority; specifying the City’s role in maintaining and enhancing existing services; encouraging the creation of partnerships among the Authority, the City, the State, the Federal Government, and property owners not subject to the supplemental tax; designating the Board of Estimates as the agency charged with reviewing and approving various matters relating to the District and the Authority; providing for the renewal, expiration, termination, and approval of the District and the Authority; providing for a special effective date;

and generally relating to the existence, operation, and control of the York Corridor Business Improvement District and Authority.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 22-0246

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 24, strike “9-5” and substitute “9-3”; and, on that same page, in line 29, before “9-6” insert “9-4 to”; and, on page 5, in line 19, before “impose” insert a bracket; and, on that same page, in that same line, after “impose” insert “] SHALL PROPOSE”.

Amendment No. 2

On page 8, after line 27, insert:

“(H) RENAMING.

THE BOARD MAY RENAME THE DISTRICT AND THE AUTHORITY BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE OF ITS MEMBERS.”

The amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 22-0257 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Schleifer, for the Rules and Legislative Oversight Committee, reported Bill No. 22-0257 favorably.

An Ordinance establishing new boundaries of the Baltimore Police Department Police Districts; and providing for a special effective date.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmembers Stokes, Costello, and Glover voting “nay”.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULES 10-2 AND 10-3
WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 22-0132R**

Councilmember Schleifer made a motion, duly seconded, to suspend Rules 10-2 and 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 22-0132R.

The motion carried without exception, and the President declared the rules suspended with regard to the bill. Then Councilmember ? announced a hearing date for the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Middleton, duly seconded, the City Council adjourned to meet on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Consent Calendar**CR 952 President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Reverend Willie E. Ray on your leadership in promoting and producing positive change to stop the violence occurring among our youth, families, community, and City.

CR 953 Bullock

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Ruth Sye on your 90 plus years as a community member of the Poppleton Community.

CR 954 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Save Another Youth on your active engagement in constructive and positive activities to stop the violence occurring among our youth, families, community and City.

CR 955 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating DJ Mike Crosby on your Birthday Celebration, may you experience a wealth of bliss, good health and happiness.

CR 956 Costello

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Dr. Daniel R. Howard, MD, PA on decades of service and commitment to improving health conditions for the residents of Baltimore City.

CR 957 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution to the Family of Louise N. Cuffie, May 8, 1938 - August 11, 2022.

CR 958 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Leon Howard, October 19, 1940 - July 27, 2022.

CR 959 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Walbrook High School - Class of 1980 on your 42nd Class Reunion.

CR 960 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Patricia Murphy on 40 years of outstanding service for the City of Baltimore.

CR 961 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Hatzel and Buehler, Inc., Bluestone Communications, Comcast, Safeway-Albertons Companies Mid-Atlantic Division, AFT-MD, Family League of Baltimore, David Charles, Johns Hopkins University of Medicine, Baltimore Beauty and Barber School, Greenebaum Enterprises and Trust Bank for your generous sponsorship that helps to provide our youth with the supplies they need to have a successful school year.

CR 962 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Kevin L. Johnson, August 6, 1968 - August 18, 2022.

CR 963 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Henry J. Raymond on 38 years with the Department of Finance, as you start the next chapter of your life, know that your professional expertise, mentorship and friendship will be missed.

CR 964 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Dwight S. Warren on his many years dedicated to the significance of physical education with the McKim Institute and exemplary coaching throughout Baltimore City.

CR 965 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Elijah Alvin Kirk, July 10, 2010 - August 15, 2022.

CR 966 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Iris Mapp on your service as President of the CWB Missionary Society of Empowerment Temple AMEC, Baltimore Conference, 2nd Episcopal District.

CR 967 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating National African American Insurance Association Reason for Recognition on 25 years of excellence in the pursuit of your mission to diversify the insurance industry and create opportunities for professionals of color.

CR 968 Costello

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating David Nyweide on service on behalf of his neighbors, leading the Bolton Hill Community Association from an outdated identity to a today's organization embracing progressive.

CR 969 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Ardelia I. Chambers, June 27, 1925 - August 29, 2022.

CR 970 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Ricardo Rene Silva, October 10, 1955 - August 30, 2022.

CR 971 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Wilbert "Randy" Tilghman, December 21, 1944 - August 24, 2022.

CR 972 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Dawaun McCready, March 1, 1979 - August 31, 2022.

CR 973 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Mr. Terence Efrem Gray, Sr. on your contribution to the network recovery efforts and grief counseling of co-workers in your agency (IMCEN) at the Pentagon on 9-11-01.

CR 974 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Myrna Jackson-Cann on 49 years of unwavering dedication and outstanding service to Baltimore City Public School students, staff, families and the education profession.

CR 975 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Thelma Massenburg, October 30, 1946 - August 28, 2022.

CR 976 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Heart + Paw on the Grand Opening of your Fells Point location and commitment to being a partner in pet parenthood to the residents of Baltimore.

CR 977 Torrence

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Jeffrey Jerel Wilson on your continuous work and support in district 7 through youth development and human services with For My Kidz Inc.

CR 978 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Jeffery Winns on your 60th Birthday!

CR 979 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Pearl A. Groom on your 92nd Birthday and the Pearl A. Groom Street naming ceremony.

CR 980 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Anthony Workman, February 20, 1977 - September 2, 2022.

CR 981 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Revered Marcus G. Jones of Fountain Baptist Church on the Fountain Baptist Church and Community Day.

CR 982 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Ellouise Johnson on your 63rd Birthday, we appreciate your continuous dedication to the City of Baltimore and wish you many more.

CR 983 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Daphney D. Williams on your retirement after thirteen years of dedicated and committed service to the City of Baltimore and its citizens.

CR 984 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Monique Smith, Founder of Known as Monique (KAM) on your advocacy, support, education, prevention programs and resources to the issues of missing persons, child abduction and human trafficking.

CR 985 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Verde, Edward Bosco and Marianna Kresevich for their decade commitment to Baltimore, successful service, and greater community contribution.

CR 986 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Marshall "Toby" Goodwin on 43 years of dedicated service to both the City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland.

CR 987 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Baltimore Healthy Start on your 10th Anniversary of the Baby Buggy Walk.

CR 988 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Delegate Maggie McIntosh on 30 years of dedicated service to Baltimore City.

CR 989 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Delegate Talmadge Branch on 27 dedicated years of service to the City of Baltimore.

CR 990 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Delegate Curt Anderson on 39 dedicated years of service to the City of Baltimore.

CR 991 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Mrs. Loretta Yvonne Wall, August 17, 1943 - August 21, 2022.

CR 992 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Lorraine Cannon on your outstanding achievement of being named the 2022 Baltimore City Employee of the year.

CR 993 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Lauren Walker on your outstanding achievement of being named the 2022 Baltimore City Supervisor of the year.

CR 994 Porter

A Baltimore City Resolution on the death of Clyde C. Jeffers, Sr., September 11, 1924 - September 3, 2022.

CR 995 President Mosby, All Members

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Dr. Letitia Dzirasa on your outstanding achievement of being named the 2022 Baltimore City Executive of the year.

CR 996 **President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Bureau of Clinical Services and HIV/STI Prevention's Outreach Team on your outstanding achievement of being named the 2022 Baltimore City Team of the year.

CR 997 **President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Pastor Dr. Marshall F. Prentice on your 37th Pastoral Anniversary at Zion Baptist Church.

CR 998 **President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Julia Loving, April Hayes, Michael King, Pamela Moore, Sandra Mason, Shirley Robinson, Earl Turner, Garrett Kellam on your dedication, encouragement and teaching of swing dance and competing to many men and women within the City of Baltimore.

CR 999 **President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution to the Family of Samuel Wilder, Jr., January 2, 1941 - September 6, 2022.

CR 1000 **Middleton**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Eddie Brooks on your many years of kind, diligent, and dedicated service to the Levindale-Sunset and Cylburn Communities.

CR 1001 **Middleton**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Joan D. Campbell on your 70th Birthday Celebration, may this day bring you an abundant of love, unspeakable joy, and many prosperous moments in the years to come.

CR 1002 **President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Ronnae Muse on your outstanding nursing services in the City of Baltimore.

CR 1003 **President Mosby, All Members**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating The Community Group on your continuous service to youth and adults in the 12th district.

CR 1004 **Burnett**

A Baltimore City Resolution congratulating Mr. Harry Lewis Makle on 43 years of dedication and service to Edmondson Village Community.