



Hearing Notes

Bill: 22-0194

Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired By: Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing Date: April 19, 2022

Time (Beginning): 2:39 PM

Time (Ending): 2:56 PM

Location: Virtual WEBEX

Total Attendance: Approximately 20

Committee Members in Attendance:

John Bullock Mark Conway Ryan Dorsey Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

Bill Synopsis in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Agency reports read?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Video or audio-digitally recorded?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners?.....	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a

Motioned by:.....Councilmember Odette Ramos

Seconded by:.....Councilmember Robert Stokes

Final Vote:.....Favorable

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Councilmember Odette Ramos
- Councilmember Robert Stokes

- Adam Abadir, Mayor’s Office of Governmental Relations
- Kristina Williams, Executive Director, Charles Village Community Benefits District

**Major Issues Discussed**

1. Chairwoman Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and City representatives and read the bill into the record.
2. Councilmember Ramos explained the purpose of the bill. She provided general information about establishment of the Charles Village Community Benefits District and their primary goals.
3. Councilmember Stokes commented about services provided by the Charles Village Community Benefits District. He emphasized the need to replicate the program model citywide. He acknowledged the great work that Ms. Williams is doing.
4. Adam Abadir testified on behalf of the Department of Housing and Community Development, City Solicitor and Department of Finance. Chairwoman Middleton stressed the need for timely agency reports.
5. Ms. Kristina Williams testified in support of the bill. She shared background information about the Benefits District which is focused on notifying, educating and advocating residents of the district and providing supplemental services including public safety, sanitation and outreach, as well as many other services. CVCBD employs 26 City residents and seeks to pay a living wage. Over half of the vendors contracts are with minority and women- owned businesses.
6. The committee voted to recommend the bill as favorable.
7. The hearing was adjourned.

**Further Study**

Was further study requested?

Yes  No

If yes, describe.

**Committee Vote:**

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

Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

Date: April 20, 2022

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