

TWENTY-FIRST DAY

FOURTH COUNCILMANIC YEAR - SESSION OF 2020-2024

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October 7, 2024

Evangelist Kendra Brown, Carter Memorial Church of God in Christ and the Baltimore Chapter of the Links, Inc., led the Council in Prayer.

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

SHOWCASE BALTIMORE

Dana Moore, Senior Advisor and President of the Baltimore Chapter of the Links, Inc. delivered a presentation.

Lucia Islas, President of Comité Latino de Baltimore 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, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos

JOURNAL APPROVED

The Journal of September 30, 2024 was read and approved.

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

October 7, 2024

The Honorable Nick J. Mosby, Council President
Baltimore City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Honorable President Mosby and Members of the City Council:

I am pleased to inform your Honorable Body that I have signed into law this day the following bills:

22-0275 – Ethics – Conforming Changes

For the purpose of updating the City Ethics Article to conform to state law.

23-0350 – Rezoning – 420 North Haven Street

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 420 North Haven Street (Block 6265A, Lot 011), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-2 Zoning District to the C-3 Zoning District.

23-0467 – Repeal of Ordinance 10-397 – 25th Street Station Planned Unit Development

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 10-397, which designated certain properties a Business and Industrial Planned Unit Development known as 25th Street Station; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0479 – Rezoning – 901 West Mulberry Street, 317-329 North Schroeder Street, 222 North Fremont Street, 811 West Saratoga Street, and 203 North Amity Street

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 901 West Mulberry Street (Block 0157, Lot 015), 317-329 North Schroeder Street (Block 0157, Lots 008-014), 222 North Fremont Street (Block 0173, Lot 003), 811 West Saratoga Street (Block 0173, Lot 001, and 203 North Amity Street (Block 0173, Lot 004), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the R-9 Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0495 – Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of Single-Family Dwelling Units to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 509, 511, and 516 North Carrollton Avenue

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of certain single-family dwelling units to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the properties known as 509 North Carrollton Avenue (Block 0127, Lot 018), 511 North Carrollton Avenue (Block 0127, Lot 019), and 516 North Carrollton Avenue (Block 0126, Lot 008), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0498 – Rezoning – 3014-3030 Darby Street East; 3021-3039 Elm Avenue; 800-810 Darby Street South; North Side Darby Street South Adjacent 810 East; 3000-3012 Darby Street East; and 3003-3019 Elm Avenue

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 3014-3030 Darby Street East; 3021-3039 Elm Avenue; 800-810 Darby Street South; North Side Darby Street South Adjacent 810 East; 3000-3012 Darby Street East; and 3003-3019 Elm Avenue , as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-7 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0499 – Rezoning – 2101 Gould Street

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 2101 Gould Street (Block 1053, Lot 005A), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-2 Zoning District to the PC-2 Zoning District.

24-0500 – Zoning – Port Covington Area of Special Signage Control - Amendment

For the purpose of revising the criteria for the Port Covington Area of Special Signage Control; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0501 – Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District – Variances – 1833 West Lexington 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 1833 West Lexington Street (Block 0178, Lot 017), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting certain variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0511 – Repeal of Ordinance 01-284 – Home Depot at Reisterstown Plaza Planned Unit Development

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 01-284, which designated certain properties a Business Planned Unit Development known as Home Depot at Reisterstown Plaza; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0512 – Repeal of Ordinance 01-257, as Amended by Ordinance 02-447 – Reisterstown Road Plaza Shopping Center Planned Unit Development

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 01-257, as amended by Ordinance 02-447, which designated certain properties a Business Planned Unit Development known as Reisterstown Road Plaza Shopping Center; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0513 – Repeal of Ordinance 99-533, as Amended by Ordinance 16-569 – New Shiloh Baptist Church Planned Unit Development

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 99-533, as amended by Ordinance 16-569, which designated certain properties a Business Planned Unit Development known as New Shiloh Baptist Church; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0519 – Port Covington Community Benefits District and Management Authority – Renewal Through June 30, 2028

For the purpose of reviewing, renewing and continuing the Port Covington Community Benefits District and the Port Covington Community Benefits Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Port Covington Community Benefits District and the Port Covington Community Benefits Management Authority.

24-0532 – Fire and Police Employees’ Retirement System – Benefits Enhancements

For the purpose of amending certain provisions of the Fire and Police Employees’ Retirement System; changing the definition of “average final compensation”; providing a new deferred vested benefit; eliminating the 2-year waiting period for commencement of post-retirement benefit increases; repealing obsolete provisions relating to post-retirement benefit increases; changing the interest earned on DROP 2 accounts; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the Fire and Police Employees’ Retirement System.

24-0538 – Sale of Property – 411 East Old Cold Spring Lane

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 property that is located at 411 East Old Cold Spring Lane (Block 5070A, Lot 022) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0542 – Rezoning – 3701-3733 Towanda Avenue

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 3701-3733 Towanda Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-6 Zoning District to the C-1 Zoning District.

24-0548 – Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances 2035 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 2035 McCulloh Street (Block 0316, Lot 022), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0550 – Zoning – Conditional Use – Retail Goods Establishment with Alcoholic Beverage Sales – 3601 Elm Avenue

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a retail goods establishment with alcoholic beverage sales on the property known as 3601 Elm Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0551 – Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District – 3115 Walbrook 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-7 Zoning District on the property known as 3115 Walbrook Avenue (Block 3002, Lot 019), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0553 – Mayor’s Anti-Animal Abuse Advisory Commission – Amendments

For the purpose of amending the composition of the Mayor’s Anti-Animal Abuse Advisory Commission; altering procedures for meetings of the Commission; providing for staff to the Commission; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the Mayor’s Anti-Animal Abuse Advisory Commission.

24-0557 – Zoning – Conditional Use – Parking Lot (Principal Use) – 1200 Brentwood Avenue

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a principal use parking lot on the property known as 1200 Brentwood Avenue (Block 1152, Lot, 026), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0558 – Repeal of Ordinance 95-572, as Amended by Ordinance 96-096 – Planned Unit Development – Lighthouse Point

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 95-572, as amended by Ordinance 96-096, which designated certain properties a Business Planned Unit Development known as Lighthouse Point; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0560 – Sale of Property – 1012 East 43rd Street

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 property that is located at 1012 East 43rd Street (Block 5192, Lot 059) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0561 – Repeal of Ordinance 99-573, as Amended by Ordinance 00-093 – Planned Unit Development – 4221 Shannon Drive

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 99-573, as amended by Ordinance 00-093, which designated certain property located at 4221 Shannon Drive a Planned Unit Development; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0570 – City Property – Naming the Playground Located at Lake Montebello to be the City Council President Mary Pat Clarke Playground

For the purpose of naming the playground located at Lake Montebello to be the City Council President Mary Pat Clarke Playground.


24-0571 – Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances 730 East Preston 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 730 East Preston Street (Block 1142B, Lot 028), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain bulk regulations (lot area size), gross floor area per unit type, and off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

24-0574 – Rezoning – 1921 Light Street

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 1921 Light Street (Block 1038, Lot 005), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the C-1 Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MUNICIPAL AGENCIES

F R O M	Name & Title	Eric Evans Real Estate Officer Eric.Evans@baltimorecity.gov	CITY OF BALTIMORE MEMO	
	Agency Name & Address	Department of Real Estate 100 N. Holliday Street Room 304 City Hall Baltimore, MD 21202		
	Subject	Proposed Disposition of Tax Sale Property		

DATE: October 15, 2024

TO: Honorable President and
Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary
Baltimore City Council
Room 400 – City Hall

Dear Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council:

In order to expedite the return of properties acquired through tax sale foreclosure to private ownership, Baltimore City Code Article 28 § 8-3 provides for the City Comptroller to sell properties acquired by tax sale at either private or public sale.

It is requested that the following property be published in the City Council Journal as promptly as possible to allow the Department of Real Estate to proceed with their disposition.

Councilmanic District 6

NES ELMER AV 126-9 FT SE OF W BELVEDERE AVE
Block 4580 Lot 022
Baltimore, MD 21202

In accordance with the provisions of Article 28 § 8-3 of the Baltimore City Code, certification of the publication shall be submitted to the Comptroller thirty (30) days after such publication. Please send a copy of the certification to the Department of Real Estate.

Should you have any questions or need any further information, please contact Monique Sampson at 443.984.3079 or via email at Monique.sampson@baltimorecity.gov.

cc: Honorable Sharon Middleton

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. 24-0601 - By President Nicholas J. Mosby and Councilmembers Ramos, Costello, Cohen, Dorsey, Conway, Middleton, Torrence, Bullock, Stokes, Glover, Porter, Burnett, Schliefer, and McCray

An Ordinance requiring a special property tax rate for vacant and abandoned property; providing for the promulgation of rules and regulations; requiring a certain notice be sent to owners of real property within the City limits; requiring a certain annual report; defining certain terms; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the property tax levied on vacant and abandoned property.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Ways and Means Committee

Bill No. 24-0233R - By Councilmember Conway

A Resolution requiring the Director of the Department of Transportation and inviting utility partners to discuss the schedule for road resurfacing and the manner by which the repaving schedule is developed and communicated to affected communities.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS NO. 2430, 2431, 2432, 2433, 2434, 2435, 2436, 2437, 2438, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, AND 2443 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, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

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. 24-0585 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Bullock, for the Finance and Performance Committee, reported Bill No. 24-0585 favorably.

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary Special Revenue Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$2,165,000.00 to M-R: Miscellaneous General Expenses - Service 122 (Miscellaneous General Expenses), Project Fund 6000-SPC006011-RC0609 (SI002046 - Baltimore County - Center Place Road Extension Project), to provide funding for the purchase of real property; and providing for a special effective date.

Favorable report adopted.

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

**BILL NO. 24-0552 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Costello, for the Ways and Means Committee, reported that the Committee has complied with the Land Use Article of the Maryland Code and recommends the adoption of Bill No. 24-0552 favorably.

An Ordinance permitting, subject to certain conditions, the continued operation and expansion of a retail goods establishment (with alcoholic beverage sales) on the property known as the Pinehurst Wine Shoppe, 6242 Bellona Avenue (Block 4976, Lot 011), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting a variance from corner side-yard setback requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Councilmember Costello 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. 24-0552

Zoning - Commercial 1 Village Center District - Conditional Use Retail Goods Establishment (With Alcoholic Beverage Sales) - Variances - 6242 Bellona Avenue

- (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:**

This expansion will not be detrimental nor endanger public health, safety, or welfare. The expansion will not create additional noise, limit driver or pedestrian sight lines and access, or otherwise detrimentally affect the Bellona-Gittings neighborhood

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

This authorization is not precluded by any other law or Urban Renewal Plan.

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

This authorization is not contrary to the public interest. There exists broad support among residents in the Bellona-Gittings neighborhood for an expansion of this business.

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

The Zoning Code exists in part to preserve and enhance the value of structures, communities, and neighborhoods. This expansion will enhance the value of the structure at 6242 Bellona Avenue, and it will also enhance the value of the Bellona-Gittings community and neighborhood by providing residents with convenient, nearby access to the types of retail offerings that the community would like to see at this business.

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;

Pinehurst Wine Shoppe does not propose to change the site's use. It only intends to expand its footprint and its retail offerings. The expansion supports plans for a more sustainable business model and will accommodate a changing market demand. Since the pandemic, customers at Pinehurst Wine Shoppe—most of whom live in the Bellona-Gittings neighborhood—have expressed an interest in increased retail options that are either food-related or non-alcoholic beverages. Pinehurst's proposed expansion will allow the business to meet this demand.

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

The proposed expansion will not affect the amount of off-street loading or parking. Pinehurst hopes that the expansion will lead to more customers. However, Zoning Code Table 16-406 only requires five spaces after the expansion. Pinehurst's plans include 12 spaces. Additionally, business-related traffic is a small part of the activity at the Bellona-Gittings intersection. That should not change when the expansion is complete.

- (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 comprised of single-family homes. Pinehurst has consulted extensively with the Bellona-Gittings neighborhood on the nature of this expansion and met on-site on multiple occasions with the highly impacted neighbors who live within 200 feet of the business. The proposed expansion will not impair present and future development in the area as the area is already fully developed with these single-family homes.

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

There are no churches, schools, public structures, or other places for public gatherings near Pinehurst Wine Shoppe. As mentioned, the business is neighbored by single-family homes in every direction. Pinehurst has communicated with those neighbors about the plans for this expansion.

- (5) accessibility of the premises for emergency vehicles;

There will not be an impact on the accessibility of the premises for emergency vehicles. The expansion will create new means of egress into the building for emergency workers, in the event of emergency.

- (6) accessibility of light and air to the premises and to the property in the vicinity;

The proposed expansion will have no impact on the accessibility of light and air to the premises and to the properties in the vicinity.

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

The proposed expansion will not have an impact on utilities, access roads, drainage, or other necessary facilities that have been or will be provided. Those utilities, roads, drainage system, and other facilities are currently adequate and will not be affected.

- (8) the preservation of cultural and historic landmarks and structures;

The Bellona-Gittings neighborhood is recognized on the National Register of Historic Places. While this expansion will affect a structure within that neighborhood, it will not compromise the integrity or aesthetic of the building. The architect retained for this project has taken great care to ensure that the expansion augments and complements the existing structure.

- (9) the character of the neighborhood;

The Bellona-Gittings neighborhood is comprised of single-family homes. Almost all of the properties are zoned R-1-E. The subject property is zoned C-1-VC. It is the only property in the neighborhood to possess that zoning designation. The owners have worked extensively with the Bellona-Gittings Neighborhood Association to ensure that the expansion will not compromise or affect the neighborhood's character. Rather, the expansion will increase the appeal and charm of this longstanding and beloved business.

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

The proposed expansion aligns with the Comprehensive Master Plan's LIVE section, which concludes, among other things, that amenities of urban living include accessibility to retail. The Pinehurst Wine Shoppe is one of two walkable retail destinations for Bellona-Gittings residents. Its proprietors and the neighborhood both have a vested interest in the business's long-term success.

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

No Urban Renewal Plan applies to this property or neighborhood.

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

The proposed expansion meets all applicable standards and requirements of the Zoning Code.

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

The Zoning Code functions, in part, to preserve and enhance the value of structures, communities, and neighborhoods. This expansion would enhance the value of the structure at 6242 Bellona Avenue and enhance the quality and value of the Bellona-Gittings neighborhood by improving the retail options within the area.

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

The Pinehurst Wine Shoppe's proprietors have spent multiple years working with the Bellona-Gittings Neighborhood Association to find an equitable and supportable plan for this expansion. A memorandum of understanding between the two entities is in the final stages of negotiations.

Councilmember Costello made a motion, duly seconded and pursuant to the applicable sections of Article 32 of the Baltimore City Code, that the Council adopt these findings of fact concerning any variances of applicable standards for:

City Council Bill No. 24-0552

6242 Bellona Avenue

Variance for: Lot Area Size Requirements

Threshold Question:

[x] *In accordance with Section 5-305(c), it has been determined that there is no written decision by the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals on an application for this same subject matter.*

Hardship or Practical Difficulty:

The City Council has considered at least one of the following:
(check all that apply to evidence consideration)

[x] The physical surroundings around the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

[x] The shape of the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

[] The topographical conditions of the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

and finds either that:

(1) An unnecessary hardship **Would / Would Not** exist if the strict letter of the applicable requirement from which the variance is sought were applied because:

or that:

(2) Practical difficulty **Would / Would Not** exist if the strict letter of the applicable requirement from which the variance is sought were applied because:

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City Council Bill No. 24-0552

6242 Bellona Avenue

Variance for: Off-Street Parking Requirements

Threshold Question:

[x] *In accordance with Section 5-305(c), it has been determined that there is no written decision by the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals on an application for this same subject matter.*

Hardship or Practical Difficulty:

The City Council has considered at least one of the following:
(check all that apply to evidence consideration)

[x] The physical surroundings around the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

[x] The shape of the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

[] The topographical conditions of the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

and finds either that:

(1) An unnecessary hardship **Would / Would Not** exist if the strict letter of the applicable requirement from which the variance is sought were applied because:

or that:

(2) Practical difficulty **Would / Would Not** exist if the strict letter of the applicable requirement from which the variance is sought were applied because:

City Council Bill No. 24-0552

6242 Bellona Avenue

Variance for: Gross Floor Area Per Unit Type Requirements

Threshold Question:

[x] *In accordance with Section 5-305(c), it has been determined that there is no written decision by the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals on an application for this same subject matter.*

Hardship or Practical Difficulty:

The City Council has considered at least one of the following:

(check all that apply to evidence consideration)

[] The physical surroundings around the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

[x] The shape of the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

[] The topographical conditions of the **Structure/ Land** involved;
(underline one)

and finds either that:

(1) An unnecessary hardship **Would / Would Not** exist if the strict letter of the applicable
(underline one)
requirement from which the variance is sought were applied because:

or that:

(2) Practical difficulty **Would / Would Not** exist if the strict letter of the applicable
(underline one)
requirement from which the variance is sought were applied because:

Source of Findings:

(check all that apply)

[x] Planning Report –

[x] Testimony presented at the Committee hearing:

[x] Oral – Witnesses Names:

- Michele Toth, Law Department
- Caitlin Audette, Planning Commission
- Christian McNeil, Department of Transportation
- Jason Wright, Department of Housing and Community Development
- Sean Eames, Fire Department
- Tom Whelley Baltimore Development Corporation
- Arco Sen, Parking Authority
- Ty’lor Schnella, Mayor’s Office

[x] Written – Authors’ Names:

- Department of Transportation, Agency Report – Dated July 8, 2024
- Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Agency Report – Dated June 17, 2024
- Law Department, Agency Report – Dated September 24, 2024
- Department of Housing and Community Development, Agency Report – Dated October 1, 2024
- Baltimore Development Corporation, Agency Report – Dated July 15, 2024
- Fire Department, Agency Report – Dated June 28, 2024
- Parking Authority, Agency Report – Dated July 15, 2024

Ways and Means Committee:

Findings of Fact adopted.

Favorable report adopted.

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

THIRD READING

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 22-0217 - An Ordinance granting a franchise to 701 Caton, LLC to construct, use, and maintain the storm drain outfall located in the City’s Lower Gwynns Falls Park, adjacent to 707 South Caton Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21229, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0367 - An Ordinance prohibiting the use of gas-powered debris removal equipment in Baltimore City; defining certain terms; establishing procedures for reporting the use of gas-powered debris removal equipment; establishing certain penalties; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Ramos - Total 10.

Nays - President and Councilmembers Stokes, Glover, Costello, and Schleifer - Total 5.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0454 - An Ordinance permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit into 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1022 West Lanvale Street (Block 0092, Lot 030), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0469 - An Ordinance 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 1014 Edmondson Avenue (Block 0115, Lot 037), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain bulk regulations (lot area size); and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0475 - An Ordinance authorizing the release and surrender by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore of all of its interests in and to a 20 foot wide right-of-way and a 10 foot wide right-of-way through the property of Weldon Heights Homes, Inc., as shown on plats RW20-34176 and RW20-34429 on file in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0476 - An Ordinance authorizing the release and surrender by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore of all of its interests in and to the variable width right of way heretofore granted the City of Baltimore; the location and course of the variable width right of way to be released being shown on a plat numbered RW 20-36464; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0497 - An Ordinance 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 know as 223 South Stricker Street (Block 264, Lot 19) as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting variances to certain bulk regulations (lot area size) and off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILL NO. 23-0515 - An Ordinance 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 know as 223 South Stricker Street (Block 264, Lot 19) as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting variances to certain bulk regulations (lot area size) and off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Cohen, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Middleton, Torrence, Burnett, Bullock, Porter, Costello, Stokes, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

BILLS WITHDRAWN

President Mosby announced that the following bill has been withdrawn:

BILL NO. 24-0582 - An Ordinance changing the zoning for the property known as 3305 Esther Place (Block 6265, Lot 064), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the C-2 Zoning District.

**Motion to Suspend City Council Rules 10-2 and 10-3
with Regard to Bill No. 24-0601**

Councilmember Costello made a motion, duly seconded, to suspend Rules 10-2 and 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 24-0601.

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

**Motion to Suspend City Council Rules 10-2 and 10-3
with Regard to Bill No. 24-0233R**

Councilmember Conway made a motion, duly seconded, to suspend Rules 10-2 and 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 24-0233R.

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

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Middleton, duly seconded, the City Council adjourned to meet on Monday, October 21, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

Consent Calendar

- CR 2430 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Sonja Merchant Jones on your steadfast leadership of the better Waverly Community and commitment to its residents and to Baltimore City.
- CR 2431 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Neighborhood Housing Services on your 50 years of service to Baltimore's residents and neighborhoods.
- CR 2432 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of George Jackson, October 29, 1934 –September 4, 2024.
- CR 2433 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Ralph K. Williams on your work renovating and restoring properties to provide affordable housing and employment opportunities for the people of Baltimore City.
- CR 2434 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Annie Milli on your eleven years of service to Live Baltimore, to the residents of Baltimore City.
- CR 2435 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Phyllis Gilmore on your years of service to the Woodbourne-McCabe Community and your leadership up, down, and across the York Road Corridor.
- CR 2436 Middleton
A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Kattie Mae Adams, January 16, 1942 –August 24, 2024.
- CR 2437 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Reginald Bernard Harrod, November 24, 1964 – September 14, 2024.
- CR 2438 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Jessie M. Anderson, October 6, 1939 –September 9, 2024.
- CR 2439 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Lake Clifton Class of 1974 on your 50th Reunion!

- CR 2440 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Dorothy Palmer on being the first African American female resident of the 2200 Block of Sidney Avenue of the Westport Community in Baltimore City.
- CR 2441 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Elenora Spencer, August 1, 1924 - September 18, 2024.
- CR 2442 President Mosby, All Members
A Baltimore City Council Resolution congratulating Pauline Small on your 90th Birthday!
- CR 2443 Middelton
A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Florine Brickers, April 1, 1934 - September 23, 2024.