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HEARING NOTES

Legislative Oversight: LO22-0027

Quarterly Legislative Oversight Hearing - Department of Transportation

Committee: Health, Environment, and Technology

Chaired by: Councilwoman Danielle McCray

Hearing Date: November 8, 2023

Time (Beginning): 10:02 AM

Time (Ending): 10:25 AM

Location: Council Chambers

Total Attendance: Approximately 20

Committee Members in Attendance:

Danielle McCray Mark Conway Ryan Dorsey
James Torrence

Bill Synopsis in the file? [X] YES [] NO [] N/A
Attendance sheet in the file? [X] YES [] NO [X] N/A
Agency reports read? [X] YES [] NO [] N/A
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded? [X] YES [] NO [] N/A
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? [] YES [] NO [X] N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners? [] YES [] NO [X] N/A
Final vote taken at this hearing? [] YES [X] NO [] N/A

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Corren Johnson (Director, Baltimore City Department of Transportation)
Erica Luckett (Acting Chief of HR, Baltimore Department of Transportation)
Tavon Braxton (Deputy Director of Operations, Baltimore Department of Transportation)

Major Issues Discussed

- The Department of Transportation presented information on various topics, including the 90-day Fall sprint, staffing, and snow preparation.

2. Questions are raised about the agency's approach to addressing auto theft, the collaboration between the Department of Transportation and the Baltimore Police Department regarding lighting needs in areas with high auto theft incidents, and concerns about the design of bike-friendly speed humps.
 3. The committee inquires about how the department plans to prioritize the funding received through the Safe Streets for All grant and implement safety measures within communities.
 4. The committee discusses the department's efforts to fully staff CDL driver positions, including recruitment and outreach.
 5. Questions are raised about the status of acquiring light poles for pedestrian lights, which have been delayed.
 6. A proposal for legislation related to crime prevention through environmental design is mentioned, emphasizing the need for street closures, lighting enhancements, and multi-agency coordination.
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Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

1. Councilman Dorsey requested information about the bike-friendly speed humps.
 2. Questions are raised about the Safe Streets for All grant, the number of projects it will fund, and how the agency plans to prioritize the grant.
 3. Councilwoman Ramos asked for an ETA for when poles for pedestrian lights will come in. The agency will follow up with the vendor to get an updated timeline.
 4. Councilman Torrence gave a proposal for legislation related to crime prevention through environmental design is mentioned, and the administration is alerted to its forthcoming consideration.
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Date: November 9, 2023



Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

Subject: Legislative Oversight - Quarterly Legislative Oversight Hearing - Department of Transportation	LO22-0027
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Meeting Minutes - Final

Health, Environment, and Technology

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

10:00 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall: Phone:
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CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 4 - Danielle N. McCray, Mark Conway, Ryan Dorsey, and James Torrence

Absent 3 - John T. Bullock, Phylcia Porter, and Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

LO22-0027 **Quarterly Legislative Oversight Hearing - Department of Transportation**

For the purpose of calling for quarterly oversight hearings for the Department of Transportation regarding agency operations, staffing, safety of fleet, facilities, and equipment, and other responsibilities to improve transparency and accountability in serving the residents of Baltimore City.

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ADJOURNMENT