# NINETEENTH DAY

FIRST COUNCILMANIC YEAR - SESSION OF 2024-2028

# JOURNAL CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE

October 20, 2025

Reverend Doctor Walter L. Parrish III of the Northside Baptist Church delivered an opening prayer.

Led by Marine veteran, Councilmember Zac Blanchard, the President and members of the Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The City Council of Baltimore met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Zeke Cohen, President, and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos Absent: Middleton (excused)

#### **JOURNAL APPROVED**

The Journal of September 29, 2025 was read and approved.

#### **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

TIMOTHY KEANE, as Director of the Department of Planning.

ELIJAH DAVIS, JR., as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

DR. KEVIN DANIELS, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

DR. MELISSA BUCKLEY, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

THERESA BRUCE, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

MOLLIE YOUNG, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

COREY WITHERSPOON, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

ANGIE WINDER, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

FAREEHA WAHEED, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

TICA TORRES, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

JASMINE POPE, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

DR. TANYA NICHOLS, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

DAWNYA JOHNSON, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

ROBERT HOLMES, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

DR. PANAGIS GALIATSATOS, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

DR. ANDREW GADDIS, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

JESSICA FAUNTLEROY, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

TAYA DUNN JOHNSON, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

CARYN DAYHOFF, as a member of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force.

#### 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. 25-0102** – By: Councilmember Ramos Cosponsored by: Councilmembers Jones and Parker

An Ordinance renewing and continuing the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

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

# Bill No. 25-0103 – By: Councilmember Bullock

An Ordinance permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit into 3 dwelling units on the property known as 1224 West Lafayette Avenue (Block 0078, Lot 005), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Land Use and Transportation Committee.

**Bill No. 25-0104** – By: The Council President (Administration – Office of the Comptroller)

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property located at 2405 Linden Avenue (Block 3463A, Lot 008A) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Land Use and Transportation Committee.

**Bill No. 25-0105** – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$12,911,344 to Baltimore City Public Schools – Service 352 (Baltimore City Public Schools), to provide funding for a deficit caused by the City's contribution to the development agreement for City Spring Elementary/Middle School; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Bill No. 25-0106 – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$38,520,093 to the Fire Department – Service 602 (Fire Suppression and Emergency Rescue), to provide funding to balance the Fire Department's Fiscal Year 2025 budget to cover a deficit caused by overtime, staffing costs, and contractual EMS services; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Bill No. 25-0107 – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$81,393 to the Department of Law – Service 862 (Transactions), to provide funding to balance the Department of Law's Fiscal Year 2025 budget to cover a deficit caused by contractual spending; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

**Bill No. 25-0108** – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$454,415 to the Liquor License Board – Service 851 (Liquor License Compliance), to provide funding to balance the Liquor License Board's Fiscal Year 2025 budget for a deficit caused by office lease costs, use of privately leased vehicles, and overtime; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Bill No. 25-0109 – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary Special Grant Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 to the Mayor's Office of Employment Development – Service 795 (Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents), to provide funding to support the creation of recovery friendly workplaces and care navigators; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

**Bill No. 25-0110** – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$47,492,889 to the Police Department – Service 622 (Police Patrol), to provide funding to balance the Police Department's Fiscal Year 2025 budget for a deficit caused by overtime and staffing costs; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

**Bill No. 25-0111** – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$5,630,976 to the Department of Recreation and Parks – Service 654 (Urban Forestry), to provide funding to balance the Department of Recreation and Parks' Fiscal Year 2025 budget for a deficit caused by overtime and unbudgeted contractual costs; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

**Bill No. 25-0112** – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$3,425,454 to the Sheriff's Office – Service 882 (Deputy Sheriff Enforcement), to provide funding to balance the Sheriff's Office's budget for Fiscal Year 2025 for a deficit caused by overtime, fleet costs, and various contractual and supply spending; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Bill No. 25-0113 – By: The Council President (Administration – Department of Finance)

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$4,457,580 to the Department of Transportation – Service 688 (Snow and Ice Control), to provide funding to balance the Department of Transportation's Fiscal Year 2025 budget for a deficit caused by snow removal costs; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

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

Bill No. 25-0034R - By President Cohen and Councilmember Jones Cosponsored by: Councilmembers Parker, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Ramos, Torrence, and Glover

Introduced (Read and adopted)

# Workers' Rights in Baltimore City

FOR the purpose of recognizing key rights of workers across Baltimore City.

#### **Recitals**

WHEREAS, the Baltimore City Council aspires to make Baltimore the best city in the United States for working people by improving working conditions for all workers, whether or not they are union members.

WHEREAS, the Baltimore City Council is committed in its 74th term to a legislative agenda that protects the interests of working people and families, whether they are employed by the City itself, by an independent public agency, or within the private sector.

WHEREAS, Baltimore City government, as a large employer, has the responsibility to uphold strong labor standards by paying its workers fairly and accurately, offering competitive wages and benefits, honoring negotiated agreements, and modeling employment practices that create ripple effects across the broader labor market by setting a positive example for other public and private employers.

WHEREAS, according to the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Baltimore area saw all items in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers increase by 2.8 percent from 2024 to 2025.

WHEREAS, Baltimore City Code, Article 11, § 1-2(b) states that it is the declared policy of the Mayor and City Council to eliminate labor conditions which do not provide the income necessary to sustain minimum standards of decent living conditions in relation to the cost of living in the City.

WHEREAS, the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Agency cited the Baltimore City Department of Public Works, Bureau of Solid Waste for a "serious" violation for failing to protect its employees from life-threatening heat for the death of Ronald Silver II on August 2, 2024.

**WHEREAS**, the Baltimore City Wage Commission issued 198 late payroll violations in Fiscal Year 2024.

WHEREAS, 70% of Americans said they approve of unions in a 2024 Gallup poll.

**WHEREAS**, a 2025 report from the Brookings Institution found that Maryland workers face the second-highest average impact of generative AI on their jobs of those in any state, second only to those in Massachusetts.

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, that the City Council of Baltimore recognizes key rights of workers across Baltimore City.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Council is committed, in partnership with the Administration, to protecting the following rights for workers in Baltimore City through policy, legislative actions, oversight, and other mechanisms available to Baltimore City Council:

- 1. The right to work in safe conditions that do not threaten their lives nor livelihoods;
- 2. The right to earn a fair and livable wage and adequate benefits that sustain minimum standards of decent living conditions with reasonable and predictable hours;
- 3. The right to organize, collectively bargain over compensation, benefits, and working conditions, without fear of retaliation from their employer;

- 4. The right to privacy, fair decision-making regarding hiring and other employment decisions, and dignified work considering continued advancements in Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology;
- 5. The right to access public pre-K through high school education and career training that advances their knowledge and skills;
- 6. The right to family life and work life balance, supported by policies that improve employee morale and retention; and
- 7. The right to freely exercise their democratic voices through voting and civic participation so they can ensure their government upholds this Workers' Bill of Rights.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the President of the Metropolitan Baltimore Council AFL-CIO, the Mayor, the Baltimore City Labor Commissioner, the Baltimore City Administrator, the Baltimore City Department of Public Works Director, the Baltimore City Department of Transportation Director, the Baltimore City Housing Commissioner, the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks Director, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.

Councilmember Jones made a motion that the Rules be suspended.

There being no objection, the President declared that the Rules were suspended.

Then Councilmember Jones made a motion that the Resolution be adopted.

The roll was called on the motion, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

The President declared the Resolution "Adopted".

Bill No. 25-0035R – By: Councilmember Schleifer

Cosponsored by: President Cohen and Councilmembers Parker, Dorsey, Conway, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Ramos, Torrence, and Glover

An Ordinance inviting the Register of Wills, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, the Director of the Department of General Services, and the City Administrator to appear before the City Council to discuss the current space allocated to store wills in the Clarence J. Mitchell, Jr. Courthouse, the lack of fire and flood protection in said storage space, and the need to digitize and protect the 100 years of wills being stored in a room in the aging courthouse.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Legislative Investigations.

Bill No. 25-0036R – By: Councilmember Porter

Cosponsored by: President Cohen and Councilmembers Parker, Gray, Bullock, Blanchard, Jones, and Ramos

An Ordinance inviting representatives from the Baltimore City Office of the State's Attorney, the Baltimore Police Department, the Baltimore City Fire Department, the Baltimore City Public School System Police, the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office, the Baltimore City Human Trafficking Collaborative Co-Chairs and all subcommittee Chairs, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Homeland Security Investigations, the Maryland State Police, the Maryland United States Attorney's Office, the Maryland Department of Social Services, the Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, The Hope Center (formerly known as Baltimore Child Abuse Center), BlueDOT, and other collaborators from the Baltimore Human Trafficking Collaborative who provide victims of human trafficking with emergency interventions and support services to brief the City Council on the scope of the human trafficking problem in Baltimore City, current efforts to investigate and prosecute perpetrators of human trafficking, further strategies that could be implemented to bring these individuals to justice, and resources that are needed to assist survivors of human trafficking.

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

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS NO. 0311, 0312, 0313, 0314, 0315, 0316, 0317, 0318, 0319, 0320, 0321, 0322, 0323, 0324, 0325, 0326, 0327, 0328, 0329, 0330, 0331, 0332, 0333, 0334, 0335, 0336, 0337, 0338, 0339, 0340, 0341, 0342, 0343, 0344, 0345, 0346, 0347, 0348, 0349, 0350, and 0351 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 Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

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

# **ACTION ON EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

Councilmember Schleifer made a motion that the favorable report of the Committee on Executive Appointments be adopted.

The Appointment of

CATALINA RODRIGUEZ LIMA

Director

OFFICE:

Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs

The motion prevailed.

The President declared the favorable report adopted.

Councilmember Schleifer made a motion that the appointment of Catalina Rodriguez Lima be confirmed.

The roll was called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

The President declared the appointment of Catalina Rodriguez Lima confirmed.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# BILL NO. 25-0063 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Torrence, for the Housing and Economic Development Committee, reported Bill No. 25-0063 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance transferring the Office of Zoning Administrator and all attendant authorities and duties from the Department of Housing and Community Development to the Department of Planning.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 25-0063

# Amendment No. 1

On page 1, after line 15, insert:

"BY adding

Article 32 - Zoning Section 3-201(d) Baltimore City Code (Edition 2000)";

and, on page 6, after line 17, insert:

"(D) RECLASSIFICATION.

BEFORE APPROVING ANY RECLASSIFICATION OF THE POSITION OF ZONING
ADMINISTRATOR OUTSIDE THE CIVIL SERVICE, THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
SHALL PROVIDE REASONABLE ADVANCE NOTICE TO THE CITY COUNCIL.".

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. 25-0040 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Dorsey, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 25-0040 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance making small box discount retail stores a conditional use by approval of the Board of Municipal Zoning Appeals in all commercial zoning districts; setting use standards for new small box discount retail stores; and defining certain terms.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 25-0040

# Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after "stores;" insert "<u>requiring a permit issued by the Building Official</u> upon transfer of ownership or operation of a small box discount retail store;"; and, on that same page, after line 5, insert:

"By repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments,

Article – Building, Fire, and Related Codes
Section 2-103 (BC § 105.1.7)
Baltimore City Revised Code
(2024 Edition)";

and, on that same page, after line 27, insert:

# **Baltimore City Revised Code**

# **Article – Building, Fire, and Related Codes**

# Part II. International Building Code

# § 2-103. City Modifications.

The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows:

# **Chapter 1. Scope and Administration**

# Section 105. Permits

# 105.1 Required.

A permit issued by the Building Official is required before any person may do any of the following work:

7. on transfer of ownership or operation of property, continue any of the following uses:

- <u>a.</u> banquet hall (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-303(c) {"Banquet hall."}),
- b. body art establishment (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-303(j) {"Body art establishment."}),
- c. carry-out food shop (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-303(t) {"Carry-out food shop."}),
- d. congregate living facilities (as defined in § 202.1 of the Baltimore City Building Code),
- e. day-care center: adult or child (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code §§ 1-304(y) and (z) {"Day-care center: Adult"} and {"Day-care center: Child"}, respectively),
- <u>f.</u> drive-through facility (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-305(h) {"Drive-through facility."}),
- g. entertainment: indoor or live (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code §§ 1-306(b) and 1-306(c) {"Entertainment: Indoor"} and {"Entertainment: Live"}, respectively),
- <u>h.</u> <u>fuel station (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-306(t) {"Fuel station."}),</u>
- i. health-care clinic (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-307(f) {"Health-care clinic."}),
- j. lodge or social club (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-308(q) {"Lodge or social club."}),
- k. lounge (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-309(h-1) {"Lounge."}),
- 1. pawn shop (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-311(l) {"Pawn shop."}),
- m. personal services establishment (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-311(o) {"Personal services establishment."}),
- n. residential care facility (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-312(p) {"Residential care facility"}),

- o. restaurant (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-312(s) {"Restaurant."}),
- p. retail: big box establishment (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-312(t) {"Retail: Big box Establishment"}),
- Q. RETAIL: SMALL BOX ESTABLISHMENT (AS DEFINED IN BALTIMORE CITY ZONING CODE § 1-312(V) {"RETAIL: SMALL BOX ESTABLISHMENT."},
- R. [q.] retail goods establishment with or without alcoholic beverage sales

  (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-312(u) {"Retail goods establishment."}),
- <u>S.</u> [r.] rooming house (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-313(b) {"Rooming house."}),
- T. [s.] supportive housing facility (as defined in § 202.2.56 of this Code), or
- U. [t.] tavern (as defined in Baltimore City Zoning Code § 1-314(a) {"Tavern."}).".

# Amendment No. 2

On page 2, strike in their entireties lines 9 through 11; and, on that same page, in line 12, strike "(II)" and substitute "(II)"; and, on that same page, in line 14, strike "(III)" and substitute "(II)"; and, on that same page, in that same line, strike "INEXPENSIVE GENERAL GOODS IN SMALL UNITS." and substitute "CONVENIENCE AND CONSUMER SHOPPING GOODS, THE MAJORITY OF WHICH DO NOT EXCEED \$5.00 PER ITEM OR ITS EQUIVALENT, AS ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION SINCE THE YEAR 2025."

# Amendment No. 3

On page 2, in line 17, strike "STORE;" and substitute "<u>STORE, WHOSE PRIMARY BUSINESS IS SELLING FOOD AT RETAIL TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, OF WHICH AT LEAST 20% OF THE GROSS RECEIPTS MUST BE DERIVED FROM THE RETAIL SALE OF FRESH PRODUCE, MEATS, AND DAIRY PRODUCTS;"; and, on that same page, in line 20, strike "STATION;" and substitute "STATION, AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED IN THIS CODE;".</u>

# Amendment No. 4

On page 1, in line 20, strike "Section 18-307 and"; and, on pages 3 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 12 on page 3 through line 18 on page 4, inclusive.

The amendments were read and adopted.

A vote was called on the report, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 13.

Nays - Councilmember Schleifer - Total 1.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

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

# BILL NO. 25-0064 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Dorsey, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 25-0064 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance amending certain bulk and yard requirements in residential zoning districts.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 25-0064

# Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in the 1<sup>st</sup> line of listed cosponsors, strike "Middleton,".

# Amendment No. 2

On page 2, in line 18, in the the 8<sup>th</sup> column, strike "10"; and, on that same page, in line 25, in the 5<sup>th</sup> column, strike "20".

# Amendment No. 3

On page 3, strike in their entireties lines 25 through 28 and substitute:

Dwelling: Mulifamily (Age-	[1,875] 1,500 sq.ft./du	[1,125] 1,000 sq.ft./du	[825] 750 sq.ft./du	[575] 500 sq.ft./du	550 sq.ft./du	200 sq.ft./du
Restricted)						

# Amendment No. 4

On page 4, in line 21, in the 4th column, strike "[50%]".

**DRAFTER'S NOTE:** The existing Zoning Code already permits 70% maximum lot coverage in the R-7 Zoning District. This amendment clarifies that there is no change from the existing code to that which is now proposed under this Ordinance.

# Amendment No. 5

On page 5, in line 1, in the 6<sup>th</sup> column, strike "6" and substitute "6".

**DRAFTER'S NOTE:** The "6" is reformatted as superscript to properly reference footnote "6" at the bottom of the table.

# Amendment No. 6

On page 5, in line 28, in the  $5^{th}$  column, strike "12" and substitute " $\underline{16}$ "; and, on that same page, in line 30, in the  $5^{th}$  column, strike "12" and substitute " $\underline{16}$ ".

# Amendment No. 7

On page 5, in lines 33 and 35, in each instance, strike "30" and substitute "40".

A vote was called on the amendments, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Ramos - Total 12.

Nays - Councilmembers Schleifer and Glover - Total 2.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

The amendments were read and adopted.

A vote was called on the report, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, Dorsey, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Ramos - Total 9.

Nays - Councilmembers Conway, Torrence, McCray, Schleifer, Glover - Total 5.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

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

# BILL NO. 25-0065 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Dorsey, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 25-0065 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance repealing requirements for providing a minimum number of off-street parking spaces per use type; setting certain parking maximums; and correcting, clarifying, and conforming related provisions and tables.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 25-0065

# Amendment No. 1

On page 5, strike in their entireties lines 12 through 17 and substitute:

"(A) IN GENERAL.

IN NO CASE MAY OFF-STREET PARKING BE PROVIDED IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITS SET IN TABLE 16-204 OF THIS CODE, EXCEPT:

- (1) DETACHED AND SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING TO WHICH NO MAXIMUM APPLIES; AND
- (2) A STRUCTURE OR LAND THAT HAS CHANGED TO A NEW USE, IF:
  - (I) PRIOR TO THE CHANGE IN USE, THE STRUCTURE OR LAND HAD EXISTING OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES THAT WOULD EXCEED THE MAXIMUM SET FOR THE PROPERTY'S NEW USE; AND
  - (II) NO FURTHER OFF-STREET PARKING IS ADDED FOLLOWING THE CHANGE IN USE.

#### (B) OFF-STREET FACILITIES.

NOTHING IN THIS TITLE PREVENTS THE VOLUNTARY ESTABLISHMENT OF

ADDITIONAL OFF-STREET PARKING OR LOADING FACILITIES. ALL REGULATIONS

GOVERNING THE LOCATION, DESIGN, AND CONTROL OF THESE FACILITIES

SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS TITLE.".

A vote was called on the committee amendments, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, Dorsey, Conway, Gray, Bullock, Blanchard, Jones, Ramos - Total 9.

Nays - Councilmembers Torrence, McCray, Schleifer, Porter, Glover - Total 5.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

The committee amendments were read and adopted.

Floor Amendments to City Council Bill No. 25-0065

# Amendment No. 1

On page 2, in line 3, strike "Section 16-204" and substitute "Sections 16-204 and 16-205"; and, on page 5, after line 17, insert:

# "§ 16-205. EXEMPTIONS AND RELIEF.

# (A) IN GENERAL.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CODE, OFF-STREET PARKING IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING USES OR AREAS:

- (1) ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS, AS DESIGNATED BY THE STATE OF MARYLAND UNDER SUBTITLE 7 {"ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS"} OF THE STATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARTICLE;
- (2) HEALTH-CARE CLINICS, AS DEFINED IN § 1-307(F) OF THIS CODE;
- (3) MIDDLE NEIGHBORHOODS, AS DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, AND DEFINED AS A RESIDENTIAL AREA IN WHICH: (I) THE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS GREATER THAN 60 PERCENT BUT LESS THAN 140 PERCENT OF THE CITYWIDE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME; (II) THE MEDIAN HOUSING VALUE IS GREATER THAN 60 PERCENT BUT LESS THAN 140 PERCENT OF THE CITYWIDE MEDIAN HOUSING VALUE; AND (III) THE AREA IS NOT DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AS A LOW-INCOME OR DISTRESSED CENSUS TRACT AND IS NOT DESIGNATED BY THE CITY AS A HIGH-VALUE OR LUXURY HOUSING MARKET; AND

# (4) RESIDENTIAL-CARE FACILITIES AND RESIDENTIAL-CARE FACILITIES (AGE RESTRICTED), AS DEFINED IN § 1-312(P) AND (Q) OF THIS CODE.

# (B) REQUIRED OFF-STREET PARKING.

FOR THOSE USES AND AREAS INCLUDED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING PARKING REQUIREMENTS APPLY:

USES AND AREAS	PARKING SPACES REQUIRED		
ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS	1 PER 10 PERSONS OF FIRE-RATED CAPACITY OF THE LARGEST PLACE OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY WITHIN THE DISTRICT AT THE TIME OF ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DISTRICT		
HEALTH-CARE CLINIC	3 PER 1,000 SQ. FT. OF GFA		
MIDDLE NEIGHBORHOODS	1 PER DWELLING UNIT		
RESIDENTIAL-CARE FACILITY	1 PER 4 EMPLOYEES ON PEAK SHIFT + 1 PER 6 RESIDENTS; HOWEVER, IF THE FACILITY DOES NOT PERMIT RESIDENTS TO HAVE VEHICLES AT THE FACILITY, THE FACILITY NEED NOT PROVIDE OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES FOR RESIDENTS		

# (C) INCLUSIONARY HOUSING; AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

# (1) INCLUSIONARY HOUSING.

NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, OFF-STREET PARKING IS NOT REQUIRED FOR A RESIDENTIAL PROJECT THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE INCLUSIONARY REQUIREMENTS UNDER § 2B-21 {"INCLUSIONARY REQUIREMENTS"} OF ARTICLE 13 OF THIS CODE.

# (2) AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

- (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, NO MORE THAN

  1 PARKING SPACE NEED BE PROVIDED FOR EVERY 2 DWELLING UNITS IN

  DWELLINGS THAT ARE ERECTED OR REHABILITATED SUBJECT TO A

  RESTRICTION THAT THE UNITS BE LEASED TO RESIDENTS WITH INCOMES

  AT OR BELOW 60% OF THE AREA MEDIAN INCOME, WITH THAT

  RESTRICTION BEING FOR A TERM OF NOT LESS THAN 15 YEARS FROM

  THE DATE OF THE ISSUANCE OF A USE PERMIT AND RECORDED IN THE

  LAND RECORDS OF BALTIMORE CITY.
- (II) THE HOUSING COMMISSIONER MUST VERIFY, BY LETTER TO THE PLANNING DIRECTOR AND THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, THE RECORDATION, TERM, AND TENOR OF THE RESTRICTION.

#### (D) ANNUAL PARKING UTILIZATION ANALYSIS.

- (1) THE PARKING AUTHORITY OF BALTIMORE CITY SHALL CONDUCT AN ANNUAL ANALYSIS OF PARKING UTILIZATION ACROSS THE CITY, THAT INCLUDES:
  - (I) THE OCCUPANCY RATES OF OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES;
  - (II) THE PARKING UTILIZATION PATTERNS IN RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND MIXED-USE DISTRICTS; AND
  - (III) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO POLICY OR INFRASTRUCTURE.
- (2) A COPY OF THE RESULTS OF EACH ANNUAL ANALYSIS CONDUCTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE:
  - (I) SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL, THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AND
  - (II) POSTED PUBLICLY ON THE PARKING AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE.
- (3) IF THE PARKING AUTHORITY DETERMINES, BASED ON THE ANNUAL ANALYSIS

  CONDUCTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THAT PARKING UTILIZATION WITHIN A

  DEFINED AREA HAS REACHED A LEVEL SUCH THAT CREATES OR MATERIALLY

  CONTRIBUTES TO CURBSIDE CONGESTION OR INADEQUATE PARKING SUPPLY,

  THE PARKING AUTHORITY MAY RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL THAT

  MINIMUM OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS IN THAT AREA BE

  REAUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE.";

and, on page 21, after line 10, insert:

"SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That, the provisions of this Ordinance repealing off-street parking minimum requirements do not apply to a property with a use that was designated prior to the enactment of this Ordinance, unless the property meets the criteria for an exemption under § 16-205(a) or (b) of the Zoning Code of Baltimore City or the property owner is granted a variance pursuant to § 16-205(d) of the Zoning Code of Baltimore City.";

and, on that same page, in line 11, strike "3." and substitute "4.".

# Amendment No. 2

Strike beginning with line 3 on page 1 down through and including line 12 on page 21, and substitute:

"For the purpose of providing relief from any off-street parking requirement by variance.

# By adding

Article 32 - Zoning
Section 16-209
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

# Section 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

# **Baltimore City Code**

**Article 32. Zoning** 

#### Title 16. Off-Street Parking and Loading

**Subtitle 2. General Applicability** 

# § 16-209. RELIEF BY VARIANCE.

(A) IN GENERAL.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CODE, ANY PERSON MAY REQUEST RELIEF FROM AN OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENT BY VARIANCE UNDER SUBTITLE 3 OF THIS CODE.

# (B) REVIEW STANDARD.

A VARIANCE FROM REQUIRED OFF-STREET PARKING IS A MINOR VARIANCE AND SHALL BE REVIEWED UNDER THOSE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED IN § 5-304 ["MINOR VARIANCES."] OF THIS CODE.

Section 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day after it is enacted.".

A vote was called on the floor amendments, resulting as follows:

Yeas - Councilmembers McCray, Schleifer, Torrence, Porter, Glover - Total 5.

Nays - President and Councilmembers Porter, Dorsey, Conway, Gray, Bullock, Blanchard, Jones, Ramos - Total 9.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

The floor amendments did not pass and were not adopted.

A vote was called on the report, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, Dorsey, Gray, Bullock, Blanchard, Jones, Ramos - Total 8.

Nays - Councilmembers McCray, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Porter, Glover - Total 6.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

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

# BILL NO. 25-0082 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Dorsey, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 25-0082 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance approving certain amendments to the Under Armour Headquarters Planned Unit Development; and providing for a special effective date.

Committee Amendments to City Council Bill No. 25-0082

# Amendment No. 1

On page 2, after line 13, insert:

# "SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF

BALTIMORE, That the Mayor and City Council approves the amendments to the Development Plan submitted by the Developer, as attached to and made part of this Ordinance, including replacement Sheet 2, "Proposed Development Plan", dated September 11, 2025.";

and, on that same page, in line 14, strike "1." and substitute "2."; and, on that same page, in line 39, strike "2." and substitute "3."; and, on page 3, in line 1, strike "3." and substitute "4."; and, on that same page, in line 6, strike "4." and substitute "5.".

#### Amendment No. 2

On page 2, in line 32, strike "91" and substitute "76"; and, on that same page, strike in their entireties lines 35 through 37 and substitute:

"(14) No vehicular access shall be allowed [on the south side of]

FROM BEASON STREET OR HAUBERT STREET INTO Areas E and
VII, except for emergency. Subject to City approval, this
access point will be blocked with removable bollards."

The amendments were read and adopted.

# **Findings of Fact**

# City Council Bill No. 25-0082 Planned Unit Development – Amendment – Under Armour Headquarters

MOTION OF THE CHAIR OF THE LAND USE & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING AT WHICH AGENCY REPORTS AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY WERE CONSIDERED, AND PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF ARTICLE 32 OF THE BALTIMORE CITY CODE, THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS THESE FINDINGS OF FACT CONCERNING:

# Planned Unit Development – Amendment – Under Armour Headquarters

# **IN GENERAL:**

To approve this PUD, the City Council has considered: (check to evidence consideration)

whether the planned unit development is in general conformance with all elements of the Comprehensive Master Plan, and the character and nature of existing and contemplated development in the vicinity of the proposed planned unit development;

Staff finds that Bill 25-0082 – does not conflict with the general land use plan of the area and does not conflict with the master plan enacted in 2024. The PUD includes Mixed Use: Predominantly Pedestrian-Oriented Commercial, Mixes Use: Predominantly Industrial, and Residential: Higher Density uses and the alterations proposed do not conflict with these uses.

- whether the planned unit development will preserve unusual topographic or natural features of the land, and the design of the planned unit development will best utilize and be compatible with the topography of the land;
  - Bill 25-0082 would not change any natural features currently existing in the PUD.
- whether the physical characteristics of the planned unit development will not adversely affect future development or the value of undeveloped neighboring areas, or the use, maintenance, or value of neighboring areas already developed;
  - Bill 25-0082 will amend the PUD to allow additional uses to permit a school in the PUD boundaries. Staff finds that this will not have an adverse effect on the PUD area.
- whether the planned unit development will provide the same protection as the basic district regulations in regard to fire, health hazards, and other dangers;
  - Bill 25-0082 will not change the compliance with fire, health, and other regulations currently required by all structures in the PUD.
- whether the planned unit development will encourage innovative design features or adaptive reuse of structures that would not be possible by application of the basic district regulations;
  - Bill 25-0082 will allow for schools to be a permittable use in the PUD. Staff finds that the conversion of property to a school in the PUD would meet this standard.
- whether the planned unit development is compatible with any nearby industrial district.
  - Bill 25-0082 would modify the UnderArmor Headquarters PUD to correct a mistake and allow for continued mixed use development in the area meeting the standard.

# and finds that:

- (1) the use **IS** compatible with the surrounding neighborhood for the following reasons:
  - Bill 25-0082 is only amending a currently existing PUD. The PUD exist and the amendment does have the support of one of the local community organizations.

(2) the use **FURTHERS** the proposed classification for the following reasons:

25-0082 is amending an existing PUD to clarify its residential use and to permit schools in the PUD boundaries. The current classification of uses in the PUD is mixed and this amendment supports those uses.

(3) the PUD master plan developed under Section 13-304 of the Zoning Code **ENSURES** there will be no discordance with existing uses by:

Continuing the current mixed use status of the PUD currently in place. The amendment only serves to clarify and to allow for an additional use.

(4) the establishment, location, construction, maintenance, or operation of the PUD **WOULD NOT** be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, or welfare because:

The PUD is currently operational and the amendment would not be a detriment to the public.

(5) the use **WOULD NOT** be precluded by any other law, including an Urban Renewal Plan

Staff finds that this amendment would not conflict with or be precluded by any other law.

(6) the authorization **WOULD NOT** be contrary to the public interest because:

Because PUD already exist and this bill would serve only to amend the PUD by including additional uses and clarifying those uses. Thereby adding additional flexablity which is in the public's interest.

(7) the authorization **WOULD** be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Code because:

The bill does not change the authorization of the PUD itself – but does clarify the PUD and that clarification is in harmony with the Zoning Code.

In addition, the City Council has considered the following -

- 1. The nature of the proposed site, including its size and shape and the proposed size, shape, and arrangement of structures;
  - a. The amendment will not affect the structure, shape or size of the PUD. It is limited to the uses and vehicular access

- 2. The resulting traffic patterns and adequacy of proposed off-street parking and loading;
  - a. The proposed school will need fewer parking spaces than presently permitted use.
- 3. The nature of the surrounding area and the extent to which the proposed use might impair its present or future development;
  - a. The proposed use of a school will not impair the current residential neighborhood and may help with future development more so than the current office use of the property.
- 4. The proximity of dwellings, churches, schools, public structures, and other places of public gathering;
  - a. This is a residential community and had significant density which a school could help to support.
- 5. Accessibility of the premises for emergency vehicles;
  - a. Emergency vehicles would have sufficient access
- 6. Accessibility of light and air to the premises and to the property in the vicinity;
  - a. The premises would have sufficient access to light and air.
- 7. The type and location of adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, and other necessary facilities that have been or will be provided;
  - a. The current use of the property as an office means that it is adequately served by the city's utilities.
- 8. The preservation of cultural and historic landmarks and structures;
  - a. No cultural or historic properties are located on the premises
- 9. The character of the neighborhood;
  - a. A school is compatible with the residential nature of the community
- 10. The provisions of the City's Comprehensive Master Plan;
  - a. The amendment is compatible with the Master Plan
- 11. The provisions of any applicable Urban Renewal Plan;
  - a. The PUD is not located in an Urban Renewal Plan area

- 12. All applicable standards and requirements of this Code;
  - a. The PUD and amendment complies with the Code
- 13. The intent and purpose of this Code;
  - a. The PUD and amendment is consistent with the Code
- 14. Any other matters considered to be in the interest of the general welfare.
  - a. The PUD will continue to operate and the proposed amendment will have the effect of supporting the general wellfare

# SOURCE OF FINDINGS:

- [x] Planning Commission's report, September 11, 2025
- [x] Testimony presented at the Committee hearing

Oral – Witness:

Caroline Hecker – Attorney representing the applicant.

# Written:

- Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Agency Report July 17 2023
- Law Department, Agency Report September 25, 2025
- Department of Transportation, Agency Report October 23, 2023
- Department of Housing and Community Development, Agency Report – September 19, 2025

# COMMITTEE MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR

Dorsey – Chair Bullock Middleton Gray Blanchard Parker

Findings of Fact adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, 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. 25-0018** - An Ordinance prohibiting the presence of an unauthorized person within the boundaries of an emergency scene; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to unauthorized persons within the boundaries of an emergency scene.

It was read the third time.

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

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL NO. 25-0062** - An Ordinance permitting certain residential buildings to have a single exit or access to a single exit, so long as certain conditions are met regarding the construction of the exit.

It was read the third time.

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

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL No. 25-0072** - 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 1703 Edmondson Avenue (Block 0121, Lot 017) and a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1709 Edmondson Avenue (Block 0121, Lot 020), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting variances regarding 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL NO. 25-0077** - 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 541 Lafayette Avenue (Block 0414, Lot 062), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting variances regarding certain bulk regulations (lot size area) 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL No. 25-0078** - An Ordinance condemning and closing portions of certain streets and alleys bounded by Riggs Avenue, N. Payson Street, the former bed of Mosher Street and the Land of National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) as shown on a plat numbered 316 C 5 Series for Group A prepared by the Survey Section and filed 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

BILL No. 25-0079 - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain parcels of land known as portions of certain streets lying within the area bounded by Riggs Avenue, N. Payson Street, West Lafayette Avenue and the land of National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) as shown on Plat 316 C 5 Group A, and filed with 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL No. 25-0083** - An Ordinance amending the Parking Management Plan Restatement for RPP Area 30 (South Baltimore East) to add an exception to the Plan's general permit allotments for dwelling units.

It was read the third time.

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

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL No. 25-0084** - An Ordinance condemning and closing a 6 foot portion of West Saratoga Street and an alley 10.67 feet wide bounded by Pearl Street, West Saratoga Street and North Greene Street, as shown on a plat numbered 307 A 23A, prepared by the Survey Section and filed 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL No. 25-0085** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property no longer needed for public use known as the former bed of a 6 foot portion of West Saratoga Street bounded by Pearl Street, West Saratoga Street, and North Greene Street; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

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

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

BILL No. 25-0086 - An Ordinance condemning and closing a portion of North Chapel Street extending northerly 305.2 feet more or less, from the north side of Jefferson Street bounded by McElderry Street, North Washington Street, Jefferson Street, and North Wolfe Street, as shown on a plat numbered 309 A 30A, prepared by the Survey Section and filed 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

**BILL No. 25-0092** - An Ordinance permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a banquet hall on the property known as 1123 West Baltimore Street (Block 0217, Lot 012) in the C-2 Zoning District, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting a variance regarding 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 year and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Parker, McCray, Dorsey, Conway, Schleifer, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter, Blanchard, Jones, Glover, Ramos - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Absent - Councilmember Middleton - Total 1.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0099

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0099.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0105

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0105.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0106

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0106.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0107

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0107.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0108

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0108.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0109

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0109.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0110

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0110.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0111

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0111.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0112

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0112.

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

# MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-3 WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 25-0113

Councilmember McCray made a motion to suspend Rule 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 25-0113.

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Cohen adjourned the City Council to next meet on Monday, October 27, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

# Consent Calendar

#### CR0311 Ramos

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Coach James Monroe in recognition of 40 years of service and dedication to our community, young people, and city.

#### CR0312 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Dr. Hakim Stovall in recognition of exemplary service and advocacy in youth mental health and suicide prevention during Suicide Prevention Month.

#### CR0313 VP Middleton

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Aaron "Block" Barnett in recognition of his 65th birthday.

#### CR0314 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Christine Smith, January 12, 1962 - September 13, 2025.

#### CR0315 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Mother Mackeva King in recognition of her 100th birthday. She has been a source of love, inspiration, and guidance to her family, friends, and community, serving as a living example of wisdom, kindness, and grace.

# CR0316 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Gina M. Gant, September 9, 1960 - September 23, 2025.

# CR0317 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Mabel M. Musgrove, April 4, 1936 - September 25, 2025.

# CR0318 Gray

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Edith Jackson, April 16, 1951 – September 24, 2025.

#### CR0319 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Joyce D. Shade in recognition of her 70th birthday and retirement after being a school aide nurse for 25 years.

#### CR0320 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Agnes Nwankwo in recognition of your unwavering commitment to health, compassion, and dignity. We appreciate all you do to care for those in need.

#### CR0321 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Sanchez Ben in recognition of your unwavering commitment to health, compassion, and dignity. We appreciate all you do to care for those in need.

#### CR0322 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Carlos Resendiz-Garcia RN in recognition of your unwavering commitment to health, compassion, and dignity. We appreciate all you do to care for those in need.

#### CR0323 VP Middleton

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Aaron "Block" Barnett in recognition of his participation in the Hillsdale Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

#### CR0324 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Bo Li in recognition of his leadership in the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra as well as representing the City of Baltimore on tour in China as a cultural ambassador through the universal language of music.

# CR0325 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating YaoGuang Zhai in recognition of representing the City of Baltimore on tour in China as a cultural ambassador through the universal language of music.

#### CR0326 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Holly Jenkins in recognition of representing the City of Baltimore on tour in China as a cultural ambassador through the universal language of music.

#### CR0327 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Helen Hess in recognition of representing the City of Baltimore on tour in China as a cultural ambassador through the universal language of music.

#### CR0328 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Chisa Kodaka in recognition of representing the City of Baltimore on tour in China as a cultural ambassador through the universal language of music.

#### CR0329 Porter

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Ernestine Brockington in recognition of her 101st birthday.

#### CR0330 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating the Karson Institute in recognition of five years of scholarly research, discussion, and debate on timely social justice issues. Happy 5th Anniversary!

#### CR0331 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Cleveland C. Washington, Jr. in recognition of the publication of the Minority Business Directory's 2026 Edition - 46th Publication.

#### CR0332 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Melvin Ashe in recognition of 47 years of service to the City of Baltimore.

#### CR0333 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Motor House in recognition of 10 years of artistic excellence and community impact. Your commitment strengthens Baltimore's cultural landscape and empowers local voices.

### CR0334 Torrence

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of LeVontaye Mullen, September 18, 1999 – August 20, 2025.

# CR0335 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Christopher Schafer Clothier in recognition of fifteen years of elevating Baltimore's style with quality craftsmanship and community service.

# CR0336 Dorsey

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Edward L. Hall, July 2, 1943 – September 25, 2025.

#### CR0337 Dorsey

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating the Cube Cowork in recognition of nine years of empowering entrepreneurs and its remarkable achievement in purchasing the building it calls home, milestones that underscore its impact in Baltimore.

#### CR0338 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Minister Garland Collins, September 20, 1973 - September 24, 2025.

#### CR0339 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Demetra Renee Davis in recognition of 39 years of service at the Social Security Administration.

# CR0340 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Bishop Orlando A. Wilson in recognition of your 25th Bishop Anniversary. We honor your unwavering commitment to shepherding your flock with wisdom, humility, and grace.

# CR0341 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Larry "Capt. Dee Fense" Henson, September 23, 1950 – October 5, 2025.

#### CR0342 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Mrs. Paula I. Valentine, February 8, 1950 – October 8, 2025.

#### CR0343 VP Middleton

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Anetia Mitchell, September 7, 1934 – September 30, 2025.

#### CR0344 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Jaymes Lewis Ronald Foster, June 27, 2003 – October 4, 2025.

#### CR0345 Bullock

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Ramilya Saubanova in recognition of artistic contributions to the Union Square Soirée.

#### CR0346 Gray

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Meadow Peace Park in recognition of your dedication to Stillmeadow PeacePark, celebrating five years of faith, stewardship, and community renewal across ten sacred acres.

# CR0347 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution on the death of Bishop Melvin Tyrone Lee, August 4, 1963 – October 10, 2025.

#### CR0348 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Morning Star Baptist Church of Christ in recognition of 135 years of dedication, service, and leadership to Baltimore City.

# CR0349 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Pastor Stephanie Faison in recognition of her 1 year anniversary as pastor of the Mount Calvary Star Baptist Church.

# CR0350 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Mount Calvary Star Baptist Church in recognition of being a pillar of Baltimore City for 101 years.

#### CR0351 President Cohen and all Members

A Baltimore City Council Resolution Congratulating Freddie Gaskin in recognition of tireless efforts to aid your community through maintaining an open-door policy for individuals seeking shelter or a meal.