



HEARING NOTES

Bill: 21-0085

Baltimore City Fire Code - Telephone Access to 9-1-1 Emergency System

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired By: Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing Date: July 13, 2021

Time (Beginning): 2:00 PM

Time (Ending): 2:15 PM

Location: Virtual WEBEX

Total Attendance: ~77

Committee Members in Attendance:

John Bullock Ryan Dorsey Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

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

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Mr. Scott Brillman, Fire Department
- Ms. Hilary Ruley, Law Department
- Mr. Eric Tiso, Department of Planning

- Ms. Stephanie Murdock, Department of Housing and Community Development
- Mr. Liam Davis, Department of Transportation
- Ms. Marcia Collins, Department of Public Works
- Mr. Robert Cenname, Department of Finance
- Ms. Nina Themelis, Office of the Mayor

### Major Issues Discussed

1. Councilwoman Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and read the bill into the record.
2. Scott Brillman explained the purpose of the bill. He provided background information about Kari's Law and Baltimore City's effort to comply with the law. All multi-telephone systems must allow for dialing 9-1-1 without having to dial any other number.
3. Agency representatives provided reports for their respective agencies. All agencies supported the bill.
4. Councilmember Ramos asked if compliance is required for all of Maryland State jurisdictions. Mr. Brillman explained that all jurisdictions can follow the process for implementation of the law. According to the bill, when fire marshals inspect City buildings for compliance with Kari's Law, the findings will be reported to the State.
5. The committee voted to recommend the bill favorably.
6. The hearing was adjourned.

### Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes  No

If yes, describe.

### Committee Vote:

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

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