

# City of Baltimore

City Council  
City Hall, Room 408  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202



## Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, October 30, 2023

5:00 PM

Du Burns Council Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall

### Baltimore City Council

*Nicholas J. Mosby, President of the Council - District 1: Zeke Cohen - District 2:  
Danielle N. McCray - District 3: Ryan Dorsey - District 4: Mark Conway - District 5:  
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer - District 6: Sharon Green Middleton - District 7: James  
Torrence - District 8: Kristerfer Burnett - District 9: John T. Bullock - District 10:  
Phylcia Porter - District 11: Eric T. Costello - District 12: Robert Stokes, Sr. - District  
13: Antonio Glover - District 14: Odette Ramos*

**Call to Order**

**Invocation**

Overseer Lamont Brown, Beyond the Walls Christian Ministries

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Showcase Baltimore #1**

Eric Brockman, Chairman & CEO of FOCUS

**Showcase Baltimore #2**

Sister Rita Michelle Proctor, Superior General of the Oblate Sisters of Providence

**Roll Call**

**Approval of the Journal**

October 16, 2023 and October 19, 2023

**Communications from the Mayor**

**Bills Signed by the Mayor**

October 15, 2023 and October 16, 2023

[22-0250](#)**The Councilmember Mary Pat Clarke Opportunity to Purchase Act**

For the purpose of repealing City Code, Article 13, Subtitle 6 {"Tenant's Right of First Refusal"} as obsolete and replacing it with a subtitle establishing a tenant's opportunity to purchase certain rental facilities; defining certain terms; establishing certain exemptions from the subtitle; providing for certain rules of interpretation; authorizing the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt rules and regulations to carry out the subtitle; requiring that a landlord provide a notice of offer of sale to certain persons on deciding to sell a rental facility; establishing certain procedures for landlords and tenants in instances where a party submits a statement of interest to purchase a rental facility; allowing for the landlord to require certain earnest money deposits; permitting the assignment of certain rights; prohibiting a waiver of certain rights absent agreed-on consideration; requiring certain disclosures if a rental facility is transferred to a party other than a tenant; requiring certain reports; providing for certain penalties; and generally relating to providing tenants with the opportunity to purchase certain rental facilities.

**Sponsors:**

Odetta Ramos, John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, Phylcia Porter, Mark Conway, Antonio Glover, Robert Stokes, Sr., James Torrence, Sharon Green Middleton

[22-0286](#)**Sale of Property - South Side Boston Street, South West Corner, and South Newkirk Street (Block 6587, Lot 008A); and South Side Boston Street, South East Corner, and South Newkirk Street (Block 6587A, Lot 016)**

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 properties located at South Side Boston Street, South West Corner, and South Newkirk Street (Block 6587, Lot 008A) and South Side Boston Street, South East Corner, and South Newkirk Street (Block 6587A, Lot 016) and are no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Office of the Comptroller)

[23-0354](#)**Administrative Procedure Act - Revisions**

For the purpose of clarifying the role of the City Administrator, the Department of Law, and the Department of Legislative Reference in reviewing proposed regulations prior to public notice and comment; revising certain provisions regarding the initial submission period for a proposed regulation; revising certain provisions regarding Agency noncompliance with the Administrative Procedure Act; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the role of the City Administrator, the Department of Law, and the Department of Legislative Reference in the review and approval of proposed regulations.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0365](#)**Rezoning - 601 through 621 East Biddle Street, 1101 through 1129 Forrest Street, 602 East Chase Street, and 1110 Nursery Place**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, and 621 East Biddle Street, 1101, 1103, 1105, 1107, 1109, 1111, 1113, 1115, 1117, 1119, 1121, 1123, 1125, 1127, and 1129 Forrest Street, 602 East Chase Street, and 1100 Nursery Place (Block 1168, Lots 15 through 42), 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.

**Sponsors:**

Robert Stokes, Sr.

[23-0374](#)**Sale of Property - 707 East 34th 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 707 East 34th Street (Block 4053, Lot 076) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Odette Ramos, City Council President (Administration)

[23-0384](#)**Sale of Property - 14 - 18 Light Street (7 East Redwood 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 14 - 18 Light Street (Block 0660, Lots 0001 and 003A), also known as 7 East Redwood Street, and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello

[23-0385](#)**Study and Report - Baltimore City Climate Resilience Authority**

For the purpose of requiring the Director of Finance, the City Solicitor, the Director of Transportation, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning, and the Director of Sustainability to submit a report detailing how Baltimore City may establish a local climate resilience authority originally authorized by Chapter 236 of the Acts of 2020, now codified as Title 22 {"Resilience Infrastructure"} of the State Local Government Article.

**Sponsors:**

Mark Conway

[23-0388](#)**Urban Renewal - Lauraville Business District - Amendment 1**

For the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for the Lauraville Business District to extend the life of the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Ryan Dorsey

[23-0426](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - M-R: Arts and Culture - \$581,334**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$581,334 to M-R: Arts and Culture - Service 824 (Events: Art: Culture: and Film), to provide funding for general operations; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Administration City Council

**Bills Introduced**[23-0444](#)**Charter Amendment - Inner Harbor Park**

For the purpose of amending the provision dedicating for public park uses the portion of the City that lies along the north west and south shores of the Inner Harbor, south of Pratt Street to the water's edge, east of Light Street to the water's edge, and north of Key Highway to the water's edge, from the World Trade Center around the shoreline of the Inner Harbor and including Rash Field to permit multifamily residential development and off-street parking within the dedicated boundaries of Inner Harbor Park; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello, President Nicholas J. Mosby

*MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[23-0445](#)**Charter Amendment - Baltimore City Police Department**

For the purpose of establishing the objectives, powers, and duties of the Baltimore City Police Department; defining certain terms; creating the role of the Police Commissioner and establishing the Commissioner as the head of the Department; providing for the appointment and confirmation of the Commissioner; establishing the powers and duties of the Commissioner; establishing the powers and duties of police officers; providing for police officers' enjoyment of certain immunities and defenses; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**Sponsors:**

Mark Conway, Administration City Council, President Nicholas J. Mosby

*MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE*

[23-0446](#)**Zoning - C-5-IH Inner Harbor Subdistrict - Amendment**

For the purpose of amending the description C-5-IH Inner Harbor Subdistrict; and amending the bulk and yard regulations for the Subdistrict.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello, President Nicholas J. Mosby

*ORDINANCE  
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[23-0447](#)**Landmark List: Exteriors - 3110 Elm Avenue**

For the purpose of designating 3110 Elm Avenue (Block 3504B, Lot 006), as an historical landmark: exterior.

**Sponsors:**

Odette Ramos

*ORDINANCE*

*ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[23-0448](#)**Urban Renewal - Inner Harbor Project I - Amendment 21**

For the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Inner Harbor Project I; amending the Development Area Controls for certain development areas; amending the Land Use and Proposed Zoning exhibits to the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements, making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello, President Nicholas J. Mosby

*ORDINANCE*

*ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[23-0449](#)**Public Safety - Baltimore City Police Department**

For the purpose of repealing Subtitle 16 of the Public Laws of Baltimore City; creating a new article in the Baltimore City Code designated "Police Department"; defining certain terms; requiring the promulgation of certain rules and regulations; requiring the Police Commissioner to maintain the records of the Department; requiring that the Department be composed of a certain percentage of civilian employees; establishing a procedure for redistricting police districts; providing for collective bargaining and negotiations relating to direct compensation of police officers; establishing certain provisions relating to the qualifications, appointment, promotion, and probation of police officers; permitting police officers to earn witness fees; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Police Department.

**Sponsors:**

Mark Conway, Administration City Council, President Nicholas J. Mosby

*ORDINANCE*

*COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE*

**Consent Calendar**

**(See Section A at back of Agenda)**

## 2R Second Reader

### ***Economic and Community Development***

[23-0393](#)

**Street Encroachment - 3424 Toone Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the construction and maintenance of a portion of a building projecting into the public right-of-way on the west side of Baylis Street, on the property known as 3424 Toone Street; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration), Zeke Cohen

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[23-0394](#)

**Street Encroachment - 229 East Montgomery Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the construction and maintenance of a portion of a building, projecting into the public right-of-way on the east side of the property known as 229 East Montgomery Street; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[23-0397](#)

**Rezoning - Western Side North Lehigh Street South West Corner Eager Street and Western Side North Lehigh Street 52-7 Feet South of Eager Street**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as Western Side North Lehigh Street South West Corner Eager Street (Block 6182, Lot 007), and Western Side North Lehigh Street 52-7 Feet South of Eager Street (Block 6182, Lot 008), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-4 Zoning District to the I-2 Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Antonio Glover

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[23-0399](#)

**Planned Unit Development - Amendment - Benhurst Park**

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 09-161; approving certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Benhurst Park Planned Unit Development; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[23-0423](#)

**City Property - Renaming Cottage Avenue Park to Candy Stripe Park**

For the purpose of changing the name of Cottage Avenue Park, located at North East Side 30 Foot Alley 2nd South West of Cottage Avenue Rear 3700-36 Cottage Avenue (Block 3335, Lot 067), to Candy Stripe Park.

**Sponsors:**

Sharon Green Middleton, President Nicholas J. Mosby

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

## Rules and Legislative Oversight

[EA23-0210](#)

**Craig B. Jeter**

Bureau Head - Solid Waste - Department of Public Works

*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*

[EA23-0211](#)

**Anwar L. Young**

Member - Fair Election Fund Commission - District 7

*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*

## 3R Third Reader

### Third Reader (for final passage)

[21-0159](#)

#### **Procurement - Zero-Emission Vehicles**

For the purpose of converting the City fleet of vehicles, subject to certain exceptions, to zero-emission vehicles; defining certain terms; authorizing rules and regulations; and generally related to the City's procurement of vehicles.

**Sponsors:**

Mark Conway, Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, Kristerfer Burnett, James Torrence, Sharon Green Middleton, Odette Ramos, Phylcia Porter, Antonio Glover

[23-0343](#)

#### **Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 633 South Montford Avenue**

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 633 South Montford Avenue (Block 1837, Lot 074), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain off-street parking requirements.

**Sponsors:**

Zeke Cohen

[23-0356](#)

#### **Zoning - Modifications to Research and Development Facility Use**

For the purpose of amending the definition of research and development establishment; creating use standards for research and development establishments; amending certain Tables of Uses to reflect revised use provisions for research and development establishments in certain Zoning Districts.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0361](#)

#### **Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 1613 Edmondson 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-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1613 Edmondson Avenue (Block 122, Lot 025), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

John T. Bullock



[23-0372](#)**Office of CitiStat - Establishment and Administration**

For the purpose of establishing the Office of CitiStat; defining certain terms; providing for the appointment and confirmation of the Director of the Office; establishing the power and duties of the Office; providing for a staff and budget for the Office; establishing a data-driven officer for each principal agency of the Office; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

Mark Conway, President Nicholas J. Mosby, Phylicia Porter, John T. Bullock, Sharon Green Middleton, Ryan Dorsey, James Torrence, Odette Ramos

[23-0375](#)**City Property - Renaming REACH! Partnership School Field to Senator Robert L. Dalton Stadium**

For the purpose of changing the name of REACH! Partnership School Field, located at 2555 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD 21218, to Senator Robert L. Dalton Stadium.

**Sponsors:**

Odette Ramos

[23-0396](#)**City Streets - Closing - A 20 Foot Alley and Two 10 Foot Alleys**

For the purpose of condemning and closing a 20 foot alley and two 10 foot alleys bounded by Park Heights Avenue, Woodland Avenue, Denmore Avenue, and West Garrison Avenue, as shown on a plat numbered 317-A-28A dated March 6, 2023, and filed in the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

**Committee Announcements****Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023 AT 5:00 P.M.**

**Adjournment****Cable Hearing Schedule**

We are live streaming more to you now than ever before! Please visit <https://baltimore.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> to view all legislative hearings, work sessions, voting sessions and council meetings that are covered by CHARM TV 25.  
<http://charmtvbaltimore.com/watch-live>

Thank you all for attending this meeting.  
Please check the area around your seat to make certain that you have everything that you brought with you.

We will be closing the room shortly and ask that everyone exit promptly to the 1st floor main entrance.  
Thank you for visiting City Hall.