

# City of Baltimore

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



## Meeting Agenda - Final

**Monday, October 19, 2015**

**5:00 PM**

**Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall**

### City Council

*Bernard C. "Jack" Young, President of the Council  
District 1: James Kraft - District 2: Brandon M. Scott  
District 3: Robert W. Curran - District 4: Bill Henry  
District 5: Rochelle "Rikki" Spector - District 6: Sharon Green Middleton  
District 7: Nick Mosby - District 8: Helen L. Holton  
District 9: William "Pete" Welch - District 10: Edward L. Reisinger  
District 11: Eric T. Costello - District 12: Carl Stokes  
District 13: Warren Branch - District 14: Mary Pat Clarke*

**Call to Order****Invocation**

Rabbi Etan Mintz, B'Nai Israel Congregation

**Pledge of Allegiance****Roll Call****Showcase Baltimore**

Harry Preston, UMB Cure Scholars Program

**Approval of the Journal**

September 21, 2015

**Communications from the Mayor****Bills Signed by the Mayor**

September 25, 2015

**[14-0418](#)****Alley-Gating and -Greening Program**

FOR the purpose of clarifying and simplifying the law governing and procedures for alley-gating and greening projects; lowering the percentage of abutting property owners required to initiate a petition to gate an alley; simplifying the process for obtaining review of petitions by the Police and Fire Departments; clarifying the different requirements for gating, but not greening, an alley, gating and greening an alley, and greening an alley for which gating has already been approved; consolidating and conforming repetitive requirements that are common to all processes; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related provisions; and generally relating to the gating, greening, and leasing of alleys under the authority of City Charter Article II, § 35(e) and (f).

BY repealing and reordaining

Article 26 - Surveys, Streets, and Highways

Subtitle 8A - Gating and Greening Alleys

Baltimore City Code

(Edition 2000)

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[14-0463](#)**Rezoning - A Portion of 3901 Buena Vista Avenue**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for a portion of the property known as 3901 Buena Vista Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-1-1 Zoning District to the R-7 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

Nick Mosby

[15-0502](#)**Sale of Property - NS Worcester Street 417-10 NW Ridgely Street (Block 833, Lot 001A)**

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 known as NS Worcester Street 417-10 NW Ridgely Street (Block 833, Lot 001A) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0504](#)**Collection of Taxes, Fees, etc. - Warning of Lien and Potential Foreclosure**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain City bills, invoices, and other statements to contain a warning of the potential consequences of a failure to pay.

**Sponsors:**

Carl Stokes, James B. Kraft, Eric T. Costello, Robert Curran, President Young, Sharon Green Middleton, Brandon M. Scott, Helen L. Holton, Bill Henry, Edward Reisinger, Mary Pat Clarke and William "Pete" Welch

[15-0507](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to a 2-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 1912 West Baltimore Street**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to a 2-family dwelling unit in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1912 West Baltimore Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain lot area size and certain off-street parking requirements.

**Sponsors:**

William "Pete" Welch

[15-0508](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to a 2-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-8 Zoning District - Variance - 1806 West Baltimore Street**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to a 2-family dwelling unit in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1806 West Baltimore Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain off-street parking requirements.

**Sponsors:**

William "Pete" Welch

[15-0529](#)**Historical and Architectural Preservation - 50th Anniversary Reauthorization**

FOR the purpose of reconstituting and reauthorizing the Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation; restating and clarifying the Commission's powers, duties, and functions; substituting a new, short-lived "Potential-Landmark List" for the current "Special List"; modifying the processes for designating Historical and Architectural Preservation Districts, Landmarks, and Potential Landmarks; modifying the procedures for protecting the exteriors, interiors, and appurtenant property of structures located within an Historical District or included on the Landmark List or Potential-Landmark List; modifying the provisions that require review of proposed alterations to "municipal structures"; providing for the establishment and maintenance of an Inventory of Historical Places, to serve primarily as a non-regulatory research and documentation instrument; modifying the procedures for reviewing and criteria for approving proposed alterations to protected structures; authorizing the Commission to delegate to its professional staff the review and approval of minor, compliant alterations; defining various terms; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related provisions; repealing obsolete provisions; and generally relating to the designation and preservation of historically and architecturally significant property.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration) and Bill Henry

[15-0544](#)**Sale of Property - 3306 North Hilton Street, Unit 203**

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 known as 3306 North Hilton Street, Unit 203 (Block 2913, Lot 028) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

**Executive Nominations**[EA15-0300](#)**Stephanie Brooks-Wiggins**

Member - Commission on Aging - 8th District

[EA15-0301](#)**Tracey L. Murray**

Member - Commission on Aging

**Bills Introduced**[15-0579](#)**Fire and Police Employees- Retirement System - Regular Interest**

FOR the purpose of modifying the definition of "regular interest" for valuation purposes; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

*ORDINANCE*

*At the request of: Fire and Police Employees' Retirement System*

*TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[15-0580](#)      **Baltimore City Landmark List: Exteriors - American Legion Federal Post # 19**

FOR the purpose of designating the American Legion Federal Post # 19, 1502 Madison Avenue, as an historical landmark: exterior.

**Sponsors:** Eric T. Costello and William "Pete" Welch

*ORDINANCE  
URBAN AFFAIRS AND AGING COMMITTEE*

[15-0581](#)      **RPP Area 9 (Federal Hill) - Exception for 807 Light Street**

FOR the purpose of amending the Parking Management Plan for RPP Area 9 to add an exception to the Plan's general permit allotments for dwelling units; correcting related language.

**Sponsors:** Eric T. Costello

*ORDINANCE  
LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE*

[15-0582](#)      **Dangerous Knives - Transfer, etc., to or Permitting Possession, etc., by Individual Under 21**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the sale, giving away, or other transfer of certain knives to individuals under the age of 21; prohibiting a person from permitting the use or possession of these dangerous knives by individuals under the age of 21; defining certain terms; imposing certain penalties; and conforming language and penalties in related provisions dealing with switchblade knives.

**Sponsors:** Rochelle Spector, Eric T. Costello, James B. Kraft, Warren Branch, President Young, Mary Pat Clarke, Edward Reisinger and William "Pete" Welch

*ORDINANCE  
JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS*

[15-0583](#)      **Rezoning - 1524 West Pratt Street**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 1524 West Pratt Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the B-1-1 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:** William "Pete" Welch

*ORDINANCE  
LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE*

## Resolutions Introduced

[15-0269R](#)      **Opposing Oil and Gas Development Off Maryland's Shores**

FOR the purpose of opposing offshore oil and gas development in the mid-Atlantic Ocean adjacent to the Maryland Coast in general, and expressing even greater concern about, and opposition to, the use of seismic blasting technology in the pursuit of such development.

**Sponsors:** James B. Kraft, Bill Henry, President Young, Mary Pat Clarke, William "Pete" Welch, Edward Reisinger and Sharon Green Middleton

*RESOLUTION  
IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

[15-0270R](#)**Request for State Action - Local Control of Police Commissioner Contract Length**

FOR the purpose of calling on the Maryland General Assembly to enact, and the Governor to sign, legislation removing the language in the Code of Public Local Laws of Baltimore City that requires that contracts for Baltimore Police Commissioners be six years in length.

**Sponsors:**

Brandon M. Scott, Bill Henry, Sharon Green Middleton, James B. Kraft, Warren Branch, Mary Pat Clarke, William "Pete" Welch, President Young, Edward Reisinger and Eric T. Costello

*RESOLUTION*

*IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

**Consent Calendar**

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

**2R Second Reader*****Executive Appointments***[EA15-0294](#)**Kevin Davis**

Police Commissioner - Baltimore City Police Department

*RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION*

***Education and Youth***[15-0249R](#)**Informational Hearing - Providing Cultural Competence Training to Homeless Services Providers to Assist Them in Serving Homeless LGBTQ Youths**

FOR the purpose of inviting homeless services providers and advocates for LGBTQ youths to appear before the City Council to discuss how cultural competence training on the needs of these youths can be broadly provided to service agencies to assist them in helping Baltimore's vulnerable population of homeless LGBTQ young people.

**Sponsors:**

Mary Pat Clarke, Bill Henry, James B. Kraft, Sharon Green Middleton, Helen L. Holton, Eric T. Costello, Warren Branch, Carl Stokes, William "Pete" Welch, President Young, Nick Mosby, Robert Curran and Edward Reisinger

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

***Land Use and Transportation***[14-0426](#)**Rezoning - 1713 East Pratt Street**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 1713 East Pratt Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

James B. Kraft and Warren Branch

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[15-0526](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Parking, Open Off-Street Area - 4001-4005 Garrison Boulevard**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a parking, open off-street area on the property known as 4001-4005 Garrison Boulevard, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

**Sponsors:**

Sharon Green Middleton

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT*

[15-0542](#)**Rezoning - Certain Properties in the Remington Central Business Area**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for certain properties in the Remington Central Business Area, as outlined in blue on the accompanying plat, from the R-7 Zoning District to the B-1-2 Zoning District; as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the B-1-2 Zoning District; and as outlined in green on the accompanying plat, from the R-9 Zoning District to the B-1-2 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

Carl Stokes

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT*

***Taxation, Finance and Economic Development***[15-0550](#)**Sale of Property - A Portion of the Former Bed of Dickman 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 a certain parcel of land known as a portion of the former bed of Dickman Street, designated as Lot 7 on the Resubdivision Plat dated December 29, 1989, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[15-0260R](#)**Investigative Hearing - Reviewing Charter Required Agency Audits**

FOR the purpose of calling on representatives from the Finance Department, Law Department, and Department of Audits to appear before the Council to provide a comprehensive update about the City's progress towards meeting the Charter requirement that designated City agencies be audited once every 4 years, explain why the current round of audits is behind schedule as well as what the potential consequences of this delay may be, and discuss the City's plan for meeting this Charter obligation in a responsible and timely manner.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello, President Young, Brandon M. Scott, Sharon Green Middleton, Bill Henry, Carl Stokes, James B. Kraft, Helen L. Holton, William "Pete" Welch, Nick Mosby, Robert Curran, Warren Branch and Edward Reisinger

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

### 3R Third Reader

#### *Third Reader (to be held one meeting)*

[15-0525](#)

**Rezoning - 600, 700, and 706 South Eden Street and 711 South Central Avenue**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 600, 700, and 706 South Eden Street and 711 South Central Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-3 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

James B. Kraft

[15-0548](#)

**Rezoning - Certain Properties in the Barclay Community**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for certain properties in the Barclay Community: as outlined in blue on the accompanying plat, from the B-3-2 Zoning District to the B-2-3 Zoning District; and as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-9 Zoning District to the B-2-3 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0559](#)

**Rezoning - 139 West Ostend Street**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 139 West Ostend Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-3 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello

#### *Third Reader (for final passage)*

[15-0487](#)

**Zoning - Office-Residence Districts - Accessory Shops**

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum aggregate size allowed for certain accessory shop uses in an Office-Residence District.

**Sponsors:**

Edward Reisinger

[15-0530](#)

**Rezoning - Certain Properties in the Sharp-Leadenhall Community**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for certain properties in the Sharp-Leadenhall Community: as outlined in blue on the accompanying plat, from the M-2-2 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District; and as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello

[15-0535](#)**City Streets - Closing - Worcester Street**

FOR the purpose of condemning and closing Worcester Street, extending from CSX Transportation Railroad Right-of-Way Southeasterly 301.6 feet, more or less, toward Ridgely Street, as shown on Plat 214-A-14A in the Office of the Department of General Services; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0536](#)**Sale of Property - Former Bed of Worcester 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 a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Worcester Street, extending from CSX Transportation Railroad Right-of-Way toward Ridgely Street, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0547](#)**Urban Renewal - Barclay - Amendment \_**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Barclay to amend Exhibits 1 and 4 of the Plan to reflect the change in land use and the change in zoning, upon approval by separate ordinance, for the properties known as 1920, 2000-2020, and 2026 Greenmount Avenue; 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:**

City Council President (Administration)

**Committee Announcements****Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M.**

**Adjournment**

**Cable Hearing Schedule**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M

Health Committee, Robert Curran - Chair

15-0244R - Informational Hearing - Heroin Task Force Report

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M

Land Use and Transportation Committee, Edward Reisinger - Chair

12-0152 - TransForm Baltimore - Zoning - Map Amendments

(Location: Southeast Anchor Library - 3601 Eastern Ave, Baltimore, MD 21224)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2015 AT 1:00 P.M

Health Committee, Robert Curran - Chair

15-0558 - Animal Fighting Paraphernalia

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M

Public Safety, Warren Branch - Chair

15-0252R - Request for State Action - Baltimore City Police Commission

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M

Public Safety, Warren Branch - Chair

15-0253R - Request for State Action - Strengthening the Civilian Review Board

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.