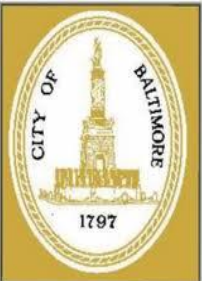


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TO:

Health, Environment, and Technology Committee

I am herein reporting on City Council Resolution 21-0002R introduced by Council Members Ramos, Burnett, Middleton, Cohen, Stokes, and Porter.

The purpose of the Resolution is to invite the Acting Director of the Office of Emergency Management, the Acting Director of the Department of Public Works, the Director of the Department of Planning, the Director of the Office of Sustainability, and other representatives of these agencies to provide an update on efforts to mitigate and prevent inland flooding, which is not covered by the recently passed Nuisance Flood Plan. The concerns listed in the Resolution are for communities within Baltimore that have experienced flood events different from coastal and floodplain inundations, and that these inland flooding events are occurring more frequently.

The Department of Public Works performs certain functions that have a direct or contributory bearing on the topic of inland flooding: maintenance of the City’s Flood ALERT System; maintenance of the storm drain system and its inlets and outfalls; stormwater management reviews of development plans and permits; and execution of capital improvement projects for storm drain and flood mitigation. Members of the Department are active participants in collaborative studies and planning efforts on flood mitigation, both within City government and with external partner jurisdictions, organizations and institutions. Representatives of the Department of Public Works will join with the other listed City agency representatives at the Health, Environment, and Technology Committee hearing, to jointly provide the Council with an update on the collaborative efforts to find and secure preventative measures that can help lessen the frequency and severity of these inland events.



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