

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, July 21, 2025

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting Link: <https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?MTID=m0b727deb0b4084430e42479e9a8cfc8c> Password: Public

Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall

Baltimore City Council

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Call to Order**Invocation****Pledge of Allegiance****Roll Call****Approval of the Journal**

June 16, 2025, 2:30 p.m. (Special Meeting)

June 16, 2025, 5:00 p.m.

June 23, 2025 (Special Meeting)

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

June 23, 2025

[25-0060](#)

Ordinance of Estimates for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026

FOR the purpose of providing the appropriations estimated to be needed by each agency of the City of Baltimore for operating programs and capital projects during the Fiscal 2026 year.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[25-0061](#)

Annual Property Tax – Fiscal Year 2026

FOR the purpose of providing a tax for the use of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and setting the semiannual payment service charge for that period.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[25-0075](#) Operating Budget for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026

For the purpose of approving the budget estimated to be needed for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners for operating programs during Fiscal 2026; providing for certification of the approved budget to the State Superintendent of Schools; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: Council President (Board of School Commissioners)

June 24, 2025

[25-0005](#) Arson Offender Registry – Registration Requirement

FOR the purpose of altering the criteria for registering as an arson offender with the Police Commissioner; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: City Council President (Administration), Isaac "Yitzzy" Schleifer, Zeke Cohen

[25-0038](#) City Property – Naming the Playground Located at Senator Troy Brailey Easterwood Park to be the Margaret L. Powell Playground

FOR the purpose of naming the playground located at Senator Troy Brailey Easterwood Park to be the Margaret L. Powell Playground.

Sponsors: James Torrence, Mark Parker, Sharon Green Middleton, John Bullock, Phylcia Porter, Jermaine Jones, Odette Ramos, Zeke Cohen

Executive Nominations

- EA25-0034** Stephan W. Fogleman
Member - Board of Ethics
COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS
- EA25-0035** Dr. Melanie Bryant
Director - Office of the LGBTQ Affairs
COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS
- EA25-0036** Kendall Abu-Hakim
Bureau Head - Department of Public Works, Division of Solid Waste
COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS
- EA25-0037** Steven Sharkey
Bureau Head - Department of Public Works, Division of Water and Wastewater
COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS
- EA25-0038** Matthew Garbark
Director - Department of Public Works
COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Bills Introduced**25-0080** In Rem Foreclosure – Vacant Structures and Nuisance Properties

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain property located in Baltimore City identified as a vacant structure or nuisance property under the Baltimore City Building Code to be subject to a certain in rem foreclosure process; requiring certain procedures for an in rem foreclosure; requiring the City to take certain actions to compensate the interested parties in property that is acquired through an in rem foreclosure; specifying the circumstances under which an in rem foreclosure judgement may be reopened; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to in rem foreclosure of vacant property in Baltimore City.

Sponsors: Odette Ramos, Mark Conway, Mark Parker, Paris Gray, John Bullock, Jermaine Jones, Zeke Cohen

HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

25-0081 Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District – 6901 Reisterstown Road

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 3 dwelling units in the R-7 Zoning District on the property known as 6901 Reisterstown Road (Block 4218D, Lot 001), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

25-0082 Planned Unit Development – Amendment – Under Armour Headquarters

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

Sponsors: Zac Blanchard

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

25-0083 RPP Area 30 – Exception – 15 E West Street

FOR the purpose of 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.

Sponsors: Zac Blanchard

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- 25-0084** City Streets – 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

FOR the purpose of 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.

Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- 25-0085** Sale of Property – Section of West Saratoga Street Bounded by Pearl Street, West Saratoga Street, and North Greene 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 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.

Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- 25-0086** City Streets – Closing – A Portion of North Chapel Street

FOR the purpose of 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.

Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Resolutions Introduced

25-0029R Request for Federal and State Action – Protect Social Security Offices, Medicare, and Medicaid

FOR the purpose of expressing the opposition of the City Council to closing and cutting staff at local Social Security Administration offices; expressing the opposition of the City Council to cutting Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security benefits; and urging the Congress of the United States to protect the public's access to Social Security by passing HR 1876, the Keeping Our Field Offices Open Act, HR 1877, the Protecting Americans' Social Security Data Act, and HR 1700/S 770, the Social Security Expansion Act.

Sponsors: Jermaine Jones, Mark Conway, Mark Parker, Paris Gray, John Bullock, Odette Ramos, Zeke Cohen

IMMEDIATE ADOPTION

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader

[25-0020](#) Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District – Variances – 2001 West Baltimore Street

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 2001 West Baltimore Street (Block 0206, Lot 045), 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.

Sponsors: John Bullock

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[25-0037](#)

Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District – Variances – 1727 McCulloh Street

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 1727 McCulloh Street (Block 0341, Lot 020), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; granting a variance regarding off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[25-0041](#)

Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District – Variances – 2628 Edmondson 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-7 Zoning District on the property known as 2628 Edmondson Avenue, 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.

Sponsors:

John Bullock

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[25-0043](#)

Employees' Retirement System – Class C – Filing Period – Amendment

FOR the purpose of increasing the time period required between filing for and commencing receipt of service retirement benefits by Class C members; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[25-0049](#)

Release of Access Easement – Vehicular Access to U.S. Route 40 through 6709 Pulaski Highway

FOR the purpose of authorizing the release and surrender by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore of all of its interests in and to the access easement generally described as a 30 foot wide parcel, which extends from Pulaski Highway on the north to the southern boundary of the Property along the entire eastern boundary of the Property (“the Easement Area”), previously granted by WH-Pulaski, LLC, predecessor in interest to the current land owner, 6709 Pulaski, LLC; the location and course of the access easement to be released being created and described by that certain Access Easement Agreement dated October 7, 2011 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore City, Liber 13806, Page 235 (“the Access Easement”).

Sponsors:

Danielle N. McCray

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[25-0053](#)

Rezoning – 4001 East Baltimore Street

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 4001 East Baltimore Street (Block 6279, Lot 009), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-2 Zoning District to the IMU-1 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Mark Parker

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[25-0054](#)

Zoning – W-2 Overlay District – Amendment

FOR the purpose of amending the view corridor requirements in the W-2 Overlay District; and amending “Table 12 903(4). Middle Branch Waterfront Area” to include revised view corridors.

Sponsors:

Phylicia Porter

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[25-0057](#)

Sale of Property – 5401 Mason Lord Drive

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 5401 Mason Lord Drive (Block 6332, Lot 002) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader

[25-0042](#)

Retirement Savings Plan – Clarifying Amendment

FOR the purpose of clarifying the definition of “service” for the members of the Retirement Savings Plan; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[25-0044](#)

Employees’ Retirement System – Board of Trustees – Membership and Qualifications

FOR the purpose of making certain amendments to the membership and qualifications of the members of the Employees’ Retirement System’s Board of Trustees; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

Third Reader (requires invocation of CC Rule 12-1 for same day advance from 2nd to 3rd Reader)

[25-0043](#)

Employees’ Retirement System – Class C – Filing Period – Amendment

FOR the purpose of increasing the time period required between filing for and commencing receipt of service retirement benefits by Class C members; 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, AUGUST 18, 2025 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment

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.