

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, May 11, 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**

Erika Jackson-Stokes, Howard University School of Divinity, M.Div Candidate

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

Leslie Wright, Citizenship Law Related Education Program

Approval of the Journal

May 4, 2015

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

May 5, 2015 and May 8, 2015

[12-0138](#)**Transit and Traffic - Commercial Vehicles**

FOR the purpose of defining "passenger car", as used in an exception to vehicles having commercial advertising; conforming that and certain other elements of the definitions of "commercial vehicle"; correcting and clarifying related provisions; and generally relating to the regulation of commercial vehicles.

Sponsors:

James B. Kraft, Bill Henry, Warren Branch, Brandon M. Scott and William "Pete" Welch

[14-0414](#)**Planned Unit Development - Amendment 1 - Johns Hopkins South of Orleans**

FOR the purpose of approving certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Johns Hopkins South of Orleans Planned Unit Development.

Sponsors:

Warren Branch

[14-0420](#)**Property Tax Credits - Urban Agriculture**

FOR the purpose of establishing a property tax credit for urban agricultural property; providing for the amount, duration, and possible early termination of the credit; imposing certain limitations, conditions, and qualifications; providing for the administration of the credit; requiring that the credit be repaid under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the a property tax credit for urban agricultural property.

Sponsors:

William "Pete" Welch, Bill Henry, James B. Kraft, Carl Stokes, Warren Branch, Mary Pat Clarke and Brandon M. Scott

[15-0480](#)**RPP Area 9 (Federal Hill) - Plan Amendment**

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

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

Executive Nominations - Withdrawn[EA15-0271](#)**Scott J. Richman**

Member - Environmental Control Board - 11th District

Executive Nominations[EA15-0284](#)**Michael Furbish**

Member - Commission on Sustainability

[EA15-0285](#)**Avis Ransom**

Member - Commission on Sustainability - 3rd District

[EA15-0286](#)**Inez Robb**

Member - Commission on Sustainability - 9th District

[EA15-0287](#)**Mary Denise Davis**

Member - Civilian Review Board - 14th District

Bills Introduced[15-0532](#)**Ordinance of Estimates for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016**

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 2016 year.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Finance

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

[15-0533](#)**Annual Property Tax - Fiscal Year 2016**

FOR the purpose of providing a tax for the use of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; providing for estimated billings pursuant to State law; and setting the semiannual payment service charge for that period.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Finance

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

[15-0534](#)**Operating Budget for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016**

FOR the purpose of approving the budget estimated to be needed for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners for operating programs during Fiscal 2016; providing for certification of the approved budget to the State Superintendent of Schools; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

At the request of: Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

[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)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of General Services

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[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)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of General Services

TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Resolutions Introduced[15-0226R](#)**Community - Economic Development in Struggling Neighborhoods**

FOR the purpose of requesting that the Baltimore Development Corporation, Finance Department, Department of Housing and Community Development, Health Department, Baltimore City Public Schools, Mayor's Office of Employment Development, and Planning Department report to the City Council on the community - economic development tools available to distressed neighborhoods in Baltimore City, how those tools are currently being used to develop and reinvest in neighborhoods, and how City agencies can further collaborate with private, state, and federal partners to foster positive community change and create strong, vibrant, economically successful neighborhoods.

Sponsors:

President Young, Warren Branch, Eric T. Costello, Carl Stokes, James B. Kraft, Helen L. Holton, Sharon Green Middleton, Mary Pat Clarke, Rochelle Spector and Edward Reisinger

RESOLUTION

TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[15-0227R](#)**Older Americans Month - May 2015**

FOR the purpose of recognizing May 2015 as Older Americans Month, and urging all Baltimoreans to take time this month to Get into the Act by celebrating older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to the community.

Sponsors:

Sharon Green Middleton, President Young, Eric T. Costello, Carl Stokes, James B. Kraft, Helen L. Holton, Brandon M. Scott, Edward Reisinger, Mary Pat Clarke and Rochelle Spector

RESOLUTION

IMMEDIATE ADOPTION

[15-0228R](#)**Informational Hearing - Costs Incurred and Potential Costs to be Incurred by the City that Result from the Recent Unrest and Civil Emergency**

FOR the purpose of requesting the Police Department, the Fire Department, and the Department of Finance to report to the City Council about the overtime costs incurred by the Police Department and other City agencies; the potential, future workmen's compensation costs for claims, by members of the Police Department and other City agencies, that may arise from injuries sustained during the recent period of unrest and civil emergency; the reimbursement costs to other jurisdictions for the services of their law enforcement personnel; how all these costs will be paid; and the impact of these costs on the City's budget.

Sponsors:

Edward Reisinger, Warren Branch, President Young, Eric T. Costello, Carl Stokes, James B. Kraft, Brandon M. Scott, Mary Pat Clarke, Rochelle Spector and Sharon Green Middleton

RESOLUTION

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader

Executive Appointments

[EA15-0280](#) **Reverend Sheridan Todd Yeary, Ph.D**
Member - Community Relations Commission
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION

[EA15-0281](#) **Stephen M. Ruckman**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 11th District
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION

[EA15-0282](#) **John Wesby, Jr.**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 1st District
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION

[EA15-0283](#) **Leon Henry**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 3rd District
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION

Health

[15-0475](#) **Drug Paraphernalia and Smoking Aids - Commercial Display to Minors**
FOR the purpose of prohibiting the commercial display of certain drug paraphernalia and smoking aids to minors; defining a certain term; clarifying and conforming related provisions; and generally relating to drug paraphernalia and smoking aids.

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT

Housing and Community Development

[14-0437](#)

City Streets - Closing - A Portion of Old Hawkins Point Road Between Curtis Creek and Pennington Avenue

FOR the purpose of condemning and closing a portion of Old Hawkins Point Road between Pennington Avenue and the waters of Curtis Creek, as shown on Plat 204-A-28A in the Office of the Department of General Services; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

[15-0531](#)

City Property - Naming the Marble Fountain in Patterson Park to be the Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. Memorial Fountain

FOR the purpose of naming the marble fountain in Patterson Park, located at the entrance on Patterson Park Avenue at Lombard Street, adjacent to the property known as 27 South Patterson Park Avenue, to be the Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. Memorial Fountain.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT

Land Use and Transportation

[15-0482](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a 2-Family Dwelling Unit to a 3-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-7 Zoning District - 3425-3427 Keswick Road

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a 2-family dwelling unit to a 3-family dwelling unit in the R-7 Zoning District on the property known as 3425-3427 Keswick Road, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Mary Pat Clarke

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT

Taxation, Finance and Economic Development

[14-0430](#)

Sale of Property - 3314-3318 Ayrdale Avenue

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 3314-3318 Ayrdale Avenue (Block 2900, Lot 009) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[14-0452](#)**Sale of Property - 17, 19, and 23 South Gay 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 properties known as 17, 19, and 23 South Gay Street (Ward 04, Section 11, Block 1351, Lots 014, 015, and 016), consisting of approximately 0.3 acres, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[14-0461](#)**Sale of Property - Former Beds of a 3-Foot Alley and a 4-Foot Alley Bounded by West 29th Street, Fox Street, West 28th Street, and Huntingdon Avenue**

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 the former beds of a 3-foot alley and a 4-foot alley bounded by West 29th Street, Fox Street, West 28th Street, and Huntingdon Avenue and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader***Third Reader (requires invocation of CC Rule 12-1 for same day advance from 2nd to 3rd Reader)***[15-0531](#)**City Property - Naming the Marble Fountain in Patterson Park to be the Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. Memorial Fountain**

FOR the purpose of naming the marble fountain in Patterson Park, located at the entrance on Patterson Park Avenue at Lombard Street, adjacent to the property known as 27 South Patterson Park Avenue, to be the Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. Memorial Fountain.

Sponsors:

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

Third Reader (to be held one meeting)[14-0438](#)**Sale of Property - Former Bed of a Portion of Old Hawkins Point Road Between Curtis Creek and Pennington Avenue**

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 a portion of Old Hawkins Point Road, extending from Pennington Avenue to the waters of Curtis Creek and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0473](#)**Rezoning - 31-35 North Fulton Avenue**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 31-35 North Fulton Avenue, as outlined in black on the accompanying plat, from the R-9 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

William "Pete" Welch

Third Reader (for final passage)[14-0439](#)**Planned Unit Development - Amendment 1 - Greektown Redevelopment**

FOR the purpose of approving certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Greektown Redevelopment Planned Unit Development.

Sponsors:

James B. Kraft and Brandon M. Scott

[14-0464](#)**Hotels - Human Trafficking Prevention**

FOR the purpose of requiring the registration of all hotels in the City; prohibiting hotels from renting out sleeping accommodations for a period of less than ½ day; requiring that all hotel employees receive training in how to identify human trafficking activities and human trafficking victims; requiring hotels to certify that all employees have been given anti-human trafficking training; defining certain terms; providing for certain penalties; and generally relating to the operation of hotels in Baltimore City.

Sponsors:

James B. Kraft, Robert Curran, Warren Branch, Sharon Green Middleton, Mary Pat Clarke, Nick Mosby, Bill Henry, William "Pete" Welch, Brandon M. Scott and Rochelle Spector

[15-0468](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Restaurant: Drive-in - 5960-5980 Belair Road**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a restaurant: drive-in on the property known as 5960-5980 Belair Road, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Brandon M. Scott and Robert Curran

[15-0472](#)**Urban Renewal - Franklin Square - Amendment _**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Franklin Square to amend certain Exhibits to reflect the change in the land use plan and the change in zoning, on approval by separate ordinance, for the property known as 31-35 North Fulton 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:

William "Pete" Welch

[15-0477](#)**Rezoning - 4526, 4600, 4618, 4620, 4622, and 4624 O'Donnell Street**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 4526, 4600, 4618, 4620, 4622, and 4624 O'Donnell Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-3 Zoning District to the B-3-1 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

James B. Kraft

[15-0485](#)**Urban Renewal - Sharp-Leadenhall - Amendment _**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Sharp-Leadenhall to modify certain permitted land uses, to delete certain provisions that allow property acquisition and the creation of disposition lots in the Renewal Plan, to modify certain provisions regarding community review and the process for amending the Renewal Plan, to clarify, conform, and correct certain language and references, to delete from the Plan certain provisions relating to inclusionary housing that have been superseded by an Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council, to delete Appendix A in its entirety, to reletter Appendix B to be Appendix A and to modifying certain of its provisions, to delete certain exhibits from the Renewal Plan, to revise, renumber, and rename certain exhibits, and to add a new exhibit to 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:

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0512](#)**Baltimore Day**

FOR the purpose of declaring August 8 of each year to be Baltimore Day; requiring the Mayor to proclaim Baltimore Day on August 8 of each year; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

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

[15-0524](#)**Labor and Employment - Human Trafficking Whistleblower Protection**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting retaliation against employees of certain employers for reporting suspected human trafficking; defining certain terms; providing for certain penalties; and generally relating to employee reports of suspected human trafficking.

Sponsors:

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

Committee Announcements**Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment

Cable Hearing Schedule

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M
Land Use and Transportation Committee, Edward Reisinger - Chair
12-0152 - Work-Session, TransForm Baltimore - Zoning - (Appendix A-Tables)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M
Public Safety Committee, Warren Branch - Chair
15-0208R - Informational Hearing - Eye Pledge

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M
Judiciary and Legislative Investigations, James B. Kraft - Chair
15-0220R - Informational Hearing - Cleaner Streets

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.