

# City of Baltimore

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



## Meeting Agenda - Final

**Monday, March 30, 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**

Reverend Vaughn C. Greene, Gethsemane Baptist Church

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

Nick Rodricks, November Project

**Approval of the Journal**

March 23, 2015

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

March 27, 2015

[14-0393](#)

**Rezoning - 2700 Rayner Avenue**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 2700 Rayner Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-6 Zoning District to the O-R-2 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

William "Pete" Welch

**Executive Nominations**

[EA15-0271](#)

**Scott J. Richman**

Member - Environmental Control Board - 11th District

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[EA15-0272](#)

**Samuel Lamont Curry**

Member - Environmental Control Board - 3rd District

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[EA15-0273](#)

**Phillip Lee**

Member - Environmental Control Board

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[EA15-0274](#)      **Dr. Jameson Lawrence, Esq.**  
Member - Environmental Control Board  
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[EA15-0275](#)      **Jennifer Joy Swanson**  
Member - Anti-Animal Abuse Advisory Committee - 2nd District  
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[EA15-0276](#)      **Julianne S. Brown**  
Member - Anti-Animal Abuse Advisory Committee  
*EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE*

## Bills Introduced

[15-0509](#)      **Baltimore City Landmark List - Eastern Avenue Pumping Station**  
FOR the purpose of designating the Eastern Avenue Pumping Station, 751 Eastern Avenue, as a historical landmark.

**Sponsors:** James B. Kraft and President Young  
*ORDINANCE*  
*URBAN AFFAIRS AND AGING COMMITTEE*

[15-0510](#)      **Baltimore City Landmark List - John Ruhrah Elementary Middle School (School #228)**  
FOR the purpose of designating John Ruhrah Elementary Middle School (School #228), 701 Rappolla Street, as a historical landmark.

**Sponsors:** James B. Kraft and Brandon M. Scott  
*ORDINANCE*  
*URBAN AFFAIRS AND AGING COMMITTEE*

[15-0511](#)      **Baltimore City Landmark List - Patterson Park**  
FOR the purpose of designating Patterson Park in its entirety and all of its existing structures, 100 South Linwood Avenue (Block 1740, Lot 001) and 201 South Linwood Avenue (Block 1740, Lot 002), as a historical landmark.

**Sponsors:** James B. Kraft and Bill Henry  
*ORDINANCE*  
*URBAN AFFAIRS AND AGING COMMITTEE*

[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 and Mary Pat Clarke  
*ORDINANCE*  
*JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS*

[15-0513](#)**Rezoning - Certain Properties in the Sharp-Leadenhall Community - Block 0947**

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; as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-7 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District; as outlined in green on the accompanying plat, from the M-3 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District; and as outlined in yellow on the accompanying plat, from the O-R-3 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District.

**Sponsors:**

Eric T. Costello

*ORDINANCE*

*LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE*

**Resolutions Introduced**[15-0216R](#)**Women on 20s**

FOR the purpose of supporting the efforts of "Women on 20s" to place a woman's portrait on the \$20 bill, casting the City Council's vote for Harriet Tubman as the woman to be featured on the \$20 bill, and encouraging the children of Baltimore to participate in this voting process on the "Women on 20s" website.

**Sponsors:**

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

*RESOLUTION*

*IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

[15-0217R](#)**Youth Civic Engagement Month**

FOR the purpose of recognizing the month of April as Youth Civic Engagement Month in Baltimore, and calling on youth and civic leaders throughout the city to take this opportunity to examine how young people can be brought deeper into government planning, decision making, problem solving, and all civic matters.

**Sponsors:**

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

*RESOLUTION*

*IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

[15-0218R](#)**US VegWeek - April 20-26**

FOR the purpose of recognizing the week of April 20-26, 2015 as "US VegWeek" and encouraging residents, restaurants, schools, grocery stores, organizations and other institutions to join public officials in choosing and offering a greater variety of vegetarian foods.

**Sponsors:**

Nick Mosby, President Young, Helen L. Holton, James B. Kraft, Bill Henry, Sharon Green Middleton, Eric T. Costello, Brandon M. Scott, Mary Pat Clarke and Edward Reisinger

*RESOLUTION*

*IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

[15-0219R](#)**Informational Hearing - Changes to the City of Baltimore Deferred Compensation Plan**

FOR the purpose of requesting the Department of Finance, the Employees' Retirement System, and the Labor Commissioner to report to the City Council on the changes being made to the City of Baltimore Deferred Compensation Plan, the effects the changes to this Plan will have on the 9,600 participants and the more than \$350 million in assets currently held in the Plan, the current outreach efforts and outcomes of those outreach efforts, and the plans to continue outreach over the coming months.

**Sponsors:**

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

*RESOLUTION*

*TAXATION, FINANCE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[15-0220R](#)**Informational Hearing - Cleaner Streets**

FOR the purpose of requesting that representatives from the Department of Public Works, and other City agencies working to make Baltimore cleaner, appear before the Council to discuss the City's plan for cleaner streets and neighborhoods, the current results of this plan, and what additional steps can be taken to progress towards a cleaner Baltimore.

**Sponsors:**

Helen L. Holton, President Young, James B. Kraft, Bill Henry, Sharon Green Middleton, Eric T. Costello, Brandon M. Scott and Edward Reisinger

*RESOLUTION*

*JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS*

[15-0221R](#)**Congratulating Jim Scales on His Retirement From Baltimore City Government**

FOR the purpose of celebrating the laudable career of Jim Scales, thanking him for his unwavering commitment to public service upon his retirement from Baltimore City government, and wishing him many years of continued happiness as he spends more time with his husband, Bill Taskers.

**Sponsors:**

President Young, Helen L. Holton, James B. Kraft, Bill Henry, Sharon Green Middleton, Eric T. Costello, Brandon M. Scott and Edward Reisinger

*RESOLUTION*

*IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

**Consent Calendar**

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

## 2R Second Reader

### ***Judiciary and Legislative Investigations***

[12-0111](#)

**Charter Amendment - Vetoes**

FOR the purpose of modifying the vote by which the Council may override a mayoral veto; repealing the mayoral authority to veto “items of appropriation”; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**Sponsors:**

Bill Henry, President Young, Warren Branch, Carl Stokes and Mary Pat Clarke

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[15-0484](#)

**Motor Fuel Sales - Air Pumps**

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that motor fuel service stations provide patrons with free use of air pumps for tire inflation.

**Sponsors:**

Rochelle Spector, Edward Reisinger, Mary Pat Clarke and Robert Curran

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT*

### ***Land Use and Transportation***

[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

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

[14-0419](#)

**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a 2-Family Dwelling Unit to a 4-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-8 Zoning District - 100 South Stricker Street**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a 2-family dwelling unit to a 4-family dwelling unit in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 100 South Stricker Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

**Sponsors:**

William "Pete" Welch

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT*

[14-0431](#)

**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a 1-Family Dwelling Unit to a 2-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 2125 Orleans Street**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a 1-family dwelling unit to a 2-family dwelling unit in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 2125 Orleans Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain lot area size and off-street parking requirements.

**Sponsors:**

Warren Branch

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT*

[14-0435](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a 1-Family Dwelling Unit to a 3-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-8 Zoning District - 2437 Madison Avenue**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a 1-family dwelling unit to a 3-family dwelling unit in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 2437 Madison Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

**Sponsors:**

Nick Mosby

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE***Urban Affairs and Aging**[15-0474](#)**Waterfront Management District and Waterfront Management Authority - Renewal Through April 23, 2019**

FOR the purpose of renewing and continuing the Waterfront Management District and Waterfront Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Waterfront Management District and Waterfront Management Authority.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE***3R Third Reader****Third Reader (for final passage)**[14-0444](#)**Zoning - Sign Regulations - "Sponsor-a-Road" Signs**

FOR the purpose of exempting from the Zoning Code's sign regulations certain signs posted by or on behalf of the City to acknowledge business entities or other persons sponsoring a street-maintenance-services program.

**Sponsors:**

City Council President (Administration)

[15-0481](#)**Transit and Traffic - Impeding Traffic by School Grounds**

FOR the purpose of increasing the fine, without requiring a prior warning, for vehicles that park, stop, or stand in a manner that obstructs or impedes the free flow of traffic by school grounds during certain hours; clarifying, correcting, and conforming related language; and generally relating to the imposition of fines for obstructing or impeding the free flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

**Sponsors:**

James B. Kraft, Rochelle Spector, Warren Branch, Eric T. Costello, Bill Henry, Edward Reisinger, William "Pete" Welch, President Young and Brandon M. Scott

**Committee Announcements****Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M.**

## Adjournment

### Cable Hearing Schedule

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M  
Land Use and Transportation Committee, Edward Reisinger - Chair  
12-0152 - TransForm Baltimore - Zoning

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M  
Recreation and Parks Committee, Carl Stokes - Chair  
15-0207R - Informational Hearing - Park and Open Space Policies

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.