

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 19-0156R  
(Resolution)**

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Introduced by: President Scott, Councilmembers Henry, Dorsey, Bullock, Stokes, Cohen, Sneed,  
Burnett, Clarke, McCray, Reisinger, Middleton, Pinkett, Schleifer, Costello

Introduced and read first time: June 24, 2019

Assigned to: Land Use and Transportation Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: Department of Public Works, Department of Housing  
and Community Development, Housing Authority Board, Baltimore City Public School System,  
Department of Recreation and Parks, Health Department

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A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning

2 **Informational Hearing – Water Outages**

3 FOR the purpose of inviting representatives from the Department of Public Works, Department of  
4 Housing and Community Development, Housing Authority of Baltimore City, Baltimore City  
5 Public School System, Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Baltimore City Health  
6 Department to discuss protocols in place for and best practices to provide assistance to  
7 Baltimore City residents in the event they lose access to water.

8 **Recitals**

9 **WHEREAS**, Baltimore City has an aging water and wastewater infrastructure; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Baltimore City has suffered numerous severe water main breaks in recent years;  
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12 **WHEREAS**, More recently and urgently, a water main break has left residents of Poe Homes  
13 without access to water for nearly a week; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Given that water is a necessity for basic daily functions and is essential to  
15 addressing the basics of life, any event that causes City residents to go without water must be  
16 handled with the utmost seriousness.

17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the  
18 Council invites representatives from Department of Public Works, Department of Housing and  
19 Community Development, Housing Authority of Baltimore City, Baltimore City Public School  
20 System, Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Baltimore City Health Department to  
21 discuss protocols in place for and best practices to provide assistance to Baltimore City residents  
22 in the event they lose access to water.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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1       **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor,  
2       Director of the Department of Public Works, Commissioner of the Department of Housing and  
3       Community Development, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City, CEO  
4       of the Baltimore City Public School System, Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks,  
5       Health Commissioner, and the Mayor’s Legislative Liaison to the City Council.