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Baltimore City Council, 11th District

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director of Bureau of the Budget and Management Research

CC: Honorable City Council President and Members
Mayor's Senior Staff
Mayor's Office of Government Relations
Agency Heads

FROM: Eric T. Costello

DATE: April 11, 2024

RE: **Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Budget Hearing Format and Schedule**

Please see below format and schedule for the FY2025 budget hearings. The City Council's Ways and Means Committee looks forward to your participation and the opportunity to continue working together. In the meantime, you will be receiving guidance from the BBMR Budget Director in the coming months regarding: 1) schedule and format of hearings; and 2) submitting updated org charts and cell phone numbers for key personnel in your agency / department to the Committee, by no later than May 01.

Format

1. All hearings will be conducted in City Council Chambers at City Hall, in-person. At this time there is no hybrid hearing option, meaning that all participants are expected to be present in City Council Chambers for the duration of their respective agency's time slot. The Committee will not take testimony from agency officials attending virtually.
2. All hearings are open to the public to attend in-person.
3. All hearings will be streamed live on Charm TV (Comcast Channel 25 and Channel 1085 (HD)) and on Charm TV's website at: <http://www.charmtvbaltimore.com/watch-live>
4. All of the above is subject to change and if changes are made, a revised memorandum will be issued and posted on the Baltimore City Council website at: <https://baltimore.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Ordinances Being Considered as Part of the FY2024 Budget Process – City Council Introduction on May 06

- 24-0xxx – Ordinance of Estimates for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025
- 24-0xxx – Annual Property Tax - Fiscal Year 2025
- 24-0xxx – Operating Budget for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025

Public Testimony

Public testimony will only be taken at Baltimore City Council Taxpayer's Night on Thursday, May 16 at 5:00pm.

Thursday, May 16

1:00pm – FY2025 Proposed Operating Budget Overview with BBMR & BCPSS
3:00pm – FY2025 Recommended Capital Improvement Plan and Budget Overview with BBMR & Planning
5:00pm – Baltimore City Council Taxpayer's Night



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Schedule – Agencies – Part 1 of 2 – May 23 – 24 and May 30 – 31¹

Time Slot (24-hour Time)	Thursday May 23rd	Friday May 24th	Thursday May 30th	Friday May 31st
0900-0930	Finance	VB	Sheriff	DLR
0930-1000	Finance	VB	Sheriff	DLR
1000-1030	Finance	Charm TV	SAO	MOED
1030-1100	Finance	Charm TV	SAO	MOED
1100-1130	MOID	MOPI	SAO	OIG
1130-1200	MOID	MOPI	SAO	OIG
1200-1230	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1230-1300	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1300-1330	CAO	MIMA	BCFD / OEM	DOT
1330-1400	CAO	MIMA	BCFD / OEM	DOT
1400-1430	CAO	MOSMBAD	BCFD	DOT
1430-1500	CAO	MOSMBAD	BCFD	DOT
1500-1530	CAO	BLLC	BCFD	DOT
1530-1600	DGS	BLLC	BCFD	DOT
1600-1630	DGS	BCC	BCFD	DOT
1630-1700	DGS	BCC	BCFD	DOT
1700-1730	Comptroller	Dinner	Dinner	Law
1730-1800	Comptroller	Dinner	Dinner	Law
1800-1830	Comptroller	PABC	DHCD / LB	Law
1830-1900	Reserved	PABC	DHCD	Law
1900-1930	Reserved	BOPA	DHCD	Reserved
1930-2000	Reserved	BOPA	DHCD	Reserved
2000-2030	Reserved	BOPA	DHCD	Reserved
2030-2100	Reserved	BOPA	DHCD	Reserved
2100-2130	Reserved	Reserved	DHCD	Reserved
2130-2200	Reserved	Reserved	DHCD	Reserved

¹ BCFD – Baltimore City Fire Department; BCC – Baltimore Convention Center; BCIT – Baltimore City Information Technology; BCPSS –Baltimore City Public School System; BCRP – Baltimore City Recreation and Parks; BDC – Baltimore Development Corporation; BDE – Broadband and Digital Equity; BLLC – Board of Liquor License Commissioners; BMZA – Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals; BOPA – Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts; BPD – Baltimore Police Department; CDO – Chief Data Officer; CHAP – Committee on Historical and Architectural Preservation; Charm TV – Mayor’s Office of Cable and Communications; DGS – Department of General Services; DHCD – Department of Housing and Community Development; DHR – Department of Human Resources; DOT – Department of Transportation; DPW – Department of Public Works; ECB – Environmental Control Board; EPFL – Enoch Pratt Free Library; FLOB – Family League of Baltimore; MIMA – Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Affairs; MOAMME – Mayor’s Office of African American Male Engagement; MOCFS – Mayor’s Office of Children and Family Success; MOED – Mayor’s Office of Employment Development; MOHS – Mayor’s Office of Homeless Services; MOID – Mayor’s Office of Infrastructure Development; MOSMBAD - Mayor’s Office of Small and Minority Business Advocacy & Development; MONSE – Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement; MOPI – Mayor’s Office of Performance and Innovation; OE&CR – Office of Equity and Civil Rights; OE M – Office of Emergency Management; OIG – Office of the Inspector General; OLC – Office of the Labor Commissioner; PABC – Parking Authority of Baltimore City; SAO – State’s Attorney’s Office; and VB – Visit Baltimore.

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Schedule – Agencies – Part 2 of 2 – June 03 - 07

Time Slot (24-hour Time)	Monday June 03	Tuesday June 04	Wednesday June 05	Thursday June 06
0900-0930	DHR/LC	BDC	Planning / CHAP	BCHD
0930-1000	DHR	BDC	Planning	BCHD
1000-1030	DHR	EPFL	Planning	BCHD
1030-1100	DHR	EPFL	Planning	BCHD
1100-1130	Courts	ECB	Planning	BCHD
1130-1200	Courts	ECB	Planning	BCHD
1200-1230	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1230-1300	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1300-1330	DPW	MOCFS	BCRP	BCIT / BDE / CDO
1330-1400	DPW	MOCFS	BCRP	BCIT
1400-1430	DPW	MOCFS	BCRP	BCIT
1430-1500	DPW	MOCFS	BCRP	BCIT
1500-1530	DPW	MOHS	BCRP	BMZA
1530-1600	DPW	MOHS	BCRP	BMZA
1600-1630	DPW	Reserved	BCRP	OE&CR
1630-1700	DPW	Reserved	BCRP	OE&CR
1700-1730	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
1730-1800	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
1800-1830	MONSE	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
1830-1900	MONSE	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
1900-1930	MONSE	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
1930-2000	MONSE	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
2000-2030	Reserved	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
2030-2100	Reserved	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
2100-2130	Reserved	BCPSS	BPD	Reserved
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