



City of Baltimore

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

Meeting Minutes

Charter Review Special Committee

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

1:00 PM Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall, Phone:
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26-0190 - Charter Amendment - Procurement Reform; 26-0191 - Charter Amendment - Budget, Veto, and Board of Estimates Reform; 26-0192 - Charter Amendment - Minor Privileges; 26-0199 - Charter Amendment - Repeal - Term Limits

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 5 - Chair Ryan Dorsey, Vice Chair John Bullock, Member Zac Blanchard, Member Odette Ramos, and Member Jermaine Jones

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Charter Amendment – Procurement Reform

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement for the Board of Estimates to make a bid award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; setting a special effective date; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

A motion was made by Member Ramos that this Mayor and City Council Res. be Recommended Favorably to the Baltimore City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Dorsey, Vice Chair Bullock, Member Blanchard, Member Ramos, and Member Jones

Charter Amendment – Budget, Veto, and Board of Estimates Reform

FOR the purpose of amending certain processes, requirements, and permissions relating to the adoption and rejection of ordinances and resolutions; amending certain processes, requirements, and permissions relating to the adoption and rejection of the City's budget and certain tax rates; removing certain improper, non-essential, obsolete, and redundant provisions; setting a special effective date; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bullock that this Mayor and City Council Res. be Recommended Favorably to the Baltimore City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Dorsey, Vice Chair Bullock, Member Blanchard, Member Ramos, and Member Jones

Charter Amendment – Minor Privileges

FOR the purpose of providing for the grant of certain minor privilege rights under a process established by ordinance; removing certain improper, non-essential, obsolete, and redundant provisions; setting a special effective date; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bullock that this Mayor and City Council Res. be Recommended Favorably to the Baltimore City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Dorsey, Vice Chair Bullock, Member Blanchard, Member Ramos, and Member Jones

Charter Amendment – Repeal – Term Limits

FOR the purpose of repealing term limits for Baltimore City elected officials, including the Mayor, Comptroller, City Council President, and City Council members; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

The Committee did not take a vote on 26-0199

ADJOURNMENT

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC