

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda

Monday, September 22, 2014

5:00 PM

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**

Minister Timothy Goldsby, Mount Calvary Freewill Baptist Church

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

Lisette S. Morris, The Ingenuity Project

City Council Appointments**Approval of the Journal**

September 15, 2014

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

September 17, 2014 and September 18, 2014

[14-0319](#)

Franchise - Baltimore Red Line

FOR the purpose of granting franchise rights to the Mass Transit Administration of the Department of Transportation of the State of Maryland for the location, construction, operation, and maintenance in good condition of a Red Line Light Rail System within the boundaries of the City of Baltimore; setting the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Mayor and City Council pertaining to the location, construction, operation, and maintenance in good condition; authorizing the Mass Transit Administration to make use of streets and other public areas within the City of Baltimore for these purposes, in accordance with the attached plat dated, as prepared by the Mass Transit Administration of the Department of Transportation of the State of Maryland and filed with the Department of Transportation of the City of Baltimore on January 13, 2014; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0320](#)**Acquisition of Property - Baltimore Red Line Transit Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, the fee simple or other interests in certain property or portions of property, together with all right, title, interest, and estate that the owner or owners of the property have in all streets, alleys, ways, or lanes, public or private, contained within or abutting the whole area described or contained within the perimeter of the area, being situated in Baltimore City, and needed for the Baltimore Red Line Transit Project; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0360](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Banquet Hall and Dance Hall - 720 Mapleton Avenue**

FOR the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a banquet hall and dance hall on the property known as 720 Mapleton Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Scott

[14-0374](#)**Planned Unit Development - Amendment - Loyola College Athletic Complex**

FOR the purpose of approving certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Loyola College Athletic Complex Planned Unit Development.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Middleton, Henry and Councilmember Curran

[14-0409](#)**Floodplain Management Code - Corrective**

FOR the purpose of correcting, as mandated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the definition of "historic structure", clarifying an exclusion from the definition of "substantial improvement", and correcting a misleading conjunction; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the protection, maintenance, and enhancement of the public health, safety, and welfare through floodplain management.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0416](#)**Franchise - Correction to Ord. 06-293**

FOR the purpose of amending Ordinance 06-293 to correct an error in the description and stated size of the franchise area; providing for a correction to the resultant franchise charge; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

Bills Introduced[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:

Councilmember Kraft and Scott

ORDINANCE

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

[14-0440](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a 1-Family Dwelling Unit to a 2-Family Dwelling Unit in the R-8 Zoning District - Variance - 1314 West Lombard 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 1314 West Lombard Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from an off-street parking requirement.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Welch

ORDINANCE

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

[14-0441](#)**Non-Owner-Occupied Dwellings, Rooming Houses, and Vacant Structures - City Council Access to Registration Statements**

FOR the purpose of making registration statements for non-owner-occupied dwellings, rooming houses, and vacant structures available to certain city councilmembers; and generally relating to the registration of non-owner-occupied dwellings, rooming houses, and vacant structures.

Sponsors:

Henry, President President Young, Councilmember Kraft, Councilmember Middleton, Councilmember Stokes, Branch, Councilmember Clarke, Councilmember Reisinger, Councilmember Holton, Mosby, Scott and Councilmember Welch

ORDINANCE

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[14-0442](#)**Animal Control and Protection - Impoundment Reform**

FOR the purpose of deleting provisions allowing for the appeal of certain animal control decisions to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City by right; reducing the period in which an animal's owner must respond to the denial, suspension, or revocation of a license from 10 to 5 days; removing the requirement that a new owner of an animal whose previous owner has had a license denied, suspended, or revoked live outside of the City; clarifying the requirements for transferring an animal to a new owner when the previous owner's permit for the animal has been denied, suspended, or revoked; lengthening the period of time for which an individual who has had an animal permit denied or revoked may not apply for another animal permit; allowing for the temporary impoundment of an animal during certain investigations; requiring the payment of certain animal care expenses when an individual requests review of a decision regarding the animal; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related provisions; and generally relating to animal control and protection.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Curran, Branch, Councilmember Reisinger, President President Young, Councilmember Kraft, Councilmember Middleton, Scott, Councilmember Holton and Councilmember Welch

*ORDINANCE
HEALTH COMMITTEE*

[14-0443](#)**Police Equipment - Audio-Video Recording Devices**

FOR the purpose of requiring all police officers employed by the Baltimore City Police Department to be personally equipped with digital audio-and-video recording devices; and allowing a phased implementation of this requirement during the 1st year following the effective date of this Ordinance.

Sponsors:

Branch, President President Young, Councilmember Kraft, Councilmember Middleton, Scott, Councilmember Stokes, Henry, Councilmember Clarke, Councilmember Reisinger, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Spector, Mosby and Councilmember Holton

*ORDINANCE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE*

Resolutions Introduced

[14-0190R](#)**Solidarity with the People of Ferguson, MO in Seeking Justice for Michael Brown**

FOR the purpose of standing in solidarity with the people of Ferguson, MO in demanding justice for Michael Brown, calling for an independent review of the actions of the Ferguson police Department before and after his death, and expressing the hope that the events in Ferguson can serve as a catalyst for improving relations between communities and law enforcement personnel across the country.

Sponsors:

Henry, Councilmember Middleton, Councilmember Clarke, Scott, Mosby, Councilmember Holton, Councilmember Spector and President President Young

*RESOLUTION
IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader***Education and Youth***[14-0162R](#)**School System Attendance and the Teamwork Required to Address**

FOR the purpose of requesting information about the status of school system attendance by grade in both traditional and charter public schools, appropriate roles for school leaders in supporting system attendance goals, school system resources and services provided to school leaders in support of this effort, the system's reason for choosing the final quarter of this school year to focus on this issue; and, a request that the school system and the School Board take a lead in engaging the entire Baltimore community in a citywide attendance campaign, emphasizing the stake we all have in getting our children and youth to school everyday.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Clarke, President President Young, Councilmember Curran, Scott, Councilmember Kraft, Councilmember Stokes, Mosby, Cole, Councilmember Middleton, Councilmember Spector, Branch, Councilmember Holton, Henry and Councilmember Reisinger

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENT

[14-0172R](#)**Fully Funding Baltimore City Public Schools' International Baccalaureate and Ingenuity Project Programs**

FOR the purpose of calling on the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to ensure that the school system's International Baccalaureate and Ingenuity Project programs are fully funded so that as many of our children as possible can take advantage of these challenging programs that open countless doors for their participants.

Sponsors:

Henry, Councilmember Clarke, Scott, Councilmember Stokes, Councilmember Holton, Councilmember Spector, Councilmember Welch, Councilmember Middleton, Councilmember Reisinger, Cole, Councilmember Kraft and Councilmember Curran

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader***Third Reader (to be held one meeting)***[14-0412](#)**Rezoning - 511 South Caroline Street**

FOR the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 511 South Caroline Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the B-1-2 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Kraft

Third Reader (for final passage)[14-0322](#)**Baltimore City Landmark List - St. John's in the Village**

FOR the purpose of designating St. John's in the Village, 3009-3009½ Greenmount Avenue and 3001 Old York Road, as a historical landmark.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Clarke, Councilmember Kraft, Scott, Henry, Councilmember Middleton, Mosby, Councilmember Reisinger, Councilmember Stokes, Branch and President President Young

[14-0323](#)**Baltimore City Landmark List: Public Interiors - St. John's in the Village**

FOR the purpose of designating St. John's in the Village, 3009½ Greenmount Avenue, as a historical landmark: public interior.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Clarke, Councilmember Kraft, Scott, Councilmember Curran, Henry, Councilmember Middleton, Mosby, Councilmember Reisinger, Councilmember Stokes, Branch, President President Young, Councilmember Holton and Councilmember Welch

[14-0373](#)**Urban Renewal - York-Woodbourne Business Area - Amendment _**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for York-Woodbourne Business Area to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area; 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:

Henry

[14-0375](#)**Revenue Obligations - Water Projects - Maximum Aggregate Principal Amount**

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum aggregate principal amount of revenue obligations that may be issued by the City under Ordinance 02-331, as last amended by Ordinance 11-429; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0376](#)**Revenue Obligations - Wastewater Projects - Maximum Aggregate Principal Amount**

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum aggregate principal amount of revenue obligations that may be issued by the City under Ordinance 02-332, as last amended by Ordinance 11-430; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0383](#)**Maryland Department of Transportation - County Transportation Revenue Bonds - Series 2014**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore (the "City") to enter into an agreement with the Maryland Department of Transportation in connection with the participation by the City in the proceeds derived from the sale of certain bonds, to be known as Department of Transportation of Maryland County Transportation Revenue Bonds, Series 2014 or as otherwise designated by the Secretary of Transportation and to be issued pursuant to Title 3, Subtitle 5 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended; authorizing certain officials of the City to take certain actions in connection with the City's participation in the proceeds of the sale of such bonds; providing for the pledge of the City's share of Highway User Revenues to the payment of such bonds; providing that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the City shall be pledged to the City's payment obligations under the Participation Agreement identified herein; providing for the severability of the provisions of this Resolution; providing that this Resolution shall be liberally construed; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0384](#)**Urban Renewal - Middle East - Amendment __**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Middle East to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendix D; 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:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0385](#)**Urban Renewal - Johnston Square - Amendment __**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Johnston Square to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area, to remove certain properties from the lists in Appendices A and B, and to extend the life of 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:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0386](#) Urban Renewal - Oliver - Amendment __

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Oliver to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to remove certain properties from the lists in Appendices B and C; 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: Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0387](#) Urban Renewal - Park Heights - Amendment _

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Park Heights to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendix B; 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: Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0388](#) Urban Renewal - Reservoir Hill - Amendment __

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Reservoir Hill to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to remove a certain property from the list in Appendix B; 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: Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0389](#) Urban Renewal - Poppleton - Amendment __

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Poppleton to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area; 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: Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0390](#)**Urban Renewal - Druid Heights - Amendment __**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Druid Heights to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to extend the life of 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:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0391](#)**Urban Renewal - Coldstream Homestead Montebello - Amendment __**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area; 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:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0392](#)**Urban Renewal - Broadway East - Amendment __**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Broadway East to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendix A; 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:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0399](#)**Tax Credits - Historic Properties - Calculations**

FOR the purpose of amending the City Code provisions that govern the tax credit for historic improvements, restorations, and rehabilitations to incorporate new requirements enacted by Chapters 193 and 194, 2014 Acts of the General Assembly; requiring a certain calculation and value to be determined by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation and a certain calculation and value to be determined by certain professional appraisers; defining certain additional terms; correcting, clarifying, conforming, and reorganizing related language and provisions; and generally relating to a property tax credit for historic properties.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0407](#)**Tax Credits - Portable Homestead**

FOR the purpose of establishing a property tax credit for a dwelling newly purchased by a homeowner who has previously received, for a certain period, the homestead property tax credit; providing for the amount, duration, and termination of the credit; imposing certain qualifications for and limitations and conditions on the credit; providing for the calculation of the local homestead tax credit on termination of the credit; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the implementation of a portable homestead tax credit.

Sponsors:

Council Pres.-Admin, Cole, Scott, Councilmember Stokes, Councilmember Spector, Councilmember Reisinger, Councilmember Clarke, Henry, Councilmember Holton, Councilmember Middleton, Branch and Councilmember Welch

[14-0408](#)**Urban Renewal - Fells Point Waterfront - Amendment -**

FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Fells Point Waterfront to change the location for the promenade that is to provide public access for Disposition Lot 22; 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:

Council Pres.-Admin

[14-0410](#)**Baltimore City Landmark List - Rehoboth Church of God in Christ Jesus Apostolic**

FOR the purpose of designating Rehoboth Church of God in Christ Jesus Apostolic, 700 Poplar Grove Street, as a historical landmark.

Sponsors:

Councilmember Welch

Committee Announcements**Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment**Cable Hearing Schedule**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014 AT 5:00 P.M
Housing and Community Development Committee, Councilmemeber Bill Henry - Chair
13-0293 - Unsafe Vacant Structure

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014 AT 5:05 P.M

Housing and Community Development Committee, Councilmember Bill Henry - Chair

14-0160R - Request for State Action - State Run Home Insurer of Last Resort

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014 AT 5:10 P.M

Housing and Community Development Committee, Councilmember Bill Henry - Chair

14-0175R - Request for State Legislation - Prompt Recordation of Bank Foreclosure Deeds

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014 AT 5:15 P.M

Housing and Community Development Committee, Councilmember Bill Henry - Chair

14-0170R - Request for State Action - Clarifying that Vacant Non-Profit Owned Property is not Tax Exempt

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2014 AT 5:00 P.M

Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee, Councilmemeber Carl Stokes - Chair

14-0420 - Property Tax Credits - Urban Agriculture

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2014 AT 5:00 P.M

Education and Youth Committee, Councilmember Mary Pat Clarke - Chair

14-0177R - Complete Education in Baltimore City Public Schools

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.