
CITY OF BALTIMORE

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HOUSING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Honorable James Torrence
CHAIR

HEARING NOTES

25-0102

Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management

Hearing Date: 2/3/2026

Hearing Start Time: 5:30 PM

Hearing End Time: 5:35 PM

Location: Du Burns Council Chamber / Webex

Total Estimated Attendance: 13

Final Vote:	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTENTION
	4	0	1	0

Committee Members in Attendance:

- **Chair** James Torrence
- Zac Blanchard
- **Vice Chair** Odette Ramos
- Jermaine Jones

MAJOR SPEAKERS

(This is NOT an attendance record.)

- Gabe Stuart-Sikowitz – Dept of Finance
- Luckey Desiree – Dept of Law

NOTES

- Chair Torrence opened the hearing and read the bill into the record
- Vice Chair Ramos, the bill's sponsor, made opening comments
- Council Member Jones – who serves on the board of the Community Benefits district also made comments on the bill in support.
- The floor was open to agency reports
 - Department of Finance – Does not oppose
 - Law Department – Approved for form and legal sufficiency
- The floor was open to questions from the members – no questions from the members
- The floor was open to public testimony – no members of the public wished to testify
- The Chair opened the floor to a motion on the bill

- Councilmember Ramos motioned the bill as recommended favorable
 - The bill passed with the following vote: 4 yea – 1 absent
- The hearing was adjourned

FURTHER STUDY REQUESTED

COPY IN SPREADSHEET

SEE FINAL VOTE RECORD IN BILL FILE

Hearing Packet in bill file? ----- YES NO N/A
Attendance Sheet in bill file? ----- YES NO N/A
Vote Record in bill file? ----- YES NO N/A
Agency reports read? ----- YES NO N/A
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded? ----- YES NO N/A
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the bill file? ----- YES NO N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners in bill file? ----- YES NO N/A

Notes by: Tony Leva
Notes Date: 2/3/2026

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