



**HEARING NOTES**

**Council Bill: 23-0466**

**Recyclable Materials and Yard Waste – Disposal**

**Committee:** Health, Environment, and Technology

**Chaired by:** Councilwoman Danielle McCray

**Hearing Date:**

**Time (Beginning):** 11:03 AM

**Time (Ending):** 12:16 AM

**Location:** Council Chambers

**Total Attendance:** Approximately 16

**Committee Members in Attendance:**

Danielle McCray      John Bullock              Mark Conway              Ryan Dorsey

Bill Synopsis in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Attendance sheet in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Agency reports read? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Final vote taken at this hearing? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

**Major Speakers**

*(This is not an attendance record.)*

- Ava Richardson, Office of Sustainability
- Ty’lor Schnell, Mayors Office
- Marsha Collins, Baltimore City Department of Public Works
- Jennifer Kunze, Maryland Organizing Director, Clean Water Action
- Deborah Kleinman, Chair of the Greater Baltimore Sierra Club
- Robin Lopez, City resident
- Andrew Hinz, City resident
- David Brush, Former Baltimore Department of Housing employee

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### Major Issues Discussed

1. Environmental and Health Impacts: Concerns over air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from incineration of yard waste versus composting.
  2. Equity and Justice: Addressing environmental injustice and racial disparities in waste management practices in Baltimore.
  3. Economic Implications: Cost savings from shifting away from incineration to composting, potential job creation in the composting sector.
  4. Operational Challenges: Education on recycling and waste management practices, logistical issues with city-wide recycling programs.
  5. Government Accountability: Monitoring and enforcement of existing laws on landfilling recyclable or compostable materials.
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### Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes  No

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Date: June 27, 2024



## Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

<b>Subject:</b> Council Bill – Recyclable Materials and Yard Waste - Disposal	<b>23-0466</b>
<b>Committee:</b> Health, Environment, and Technology	<b>Chair:</b> Danielle McCray
<b>Date:</b> Wednesday, June 26, 2024	<b>Time:</b> 10:00 AM
<b>Location:</b> Council Chambers	

<b>PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY</b>				What is your position on this bill?	Lobbyist: Are you registered in the City?*		
CHECK HERE TO TESTIFY			Testify	For	Against	Yes	No
First Name	Last Name	Address / Organization / Email		For	Against	Yes	No
Michelle	Rockwell	730 Brookwood Road 21229 michelle.rockwell48@gmail.com	✓	✓			
Toby	Harris	811 Hollis St, 21201 toby@sbalt.org	✓	✓			
Neka	Dickett Brando	BTEC neka@moretransitequity.com	✓	✓			✓
Deborah	Kleinmann	1208 Register Ave Baltimore MD. spicaroni@gmail. SIERRA CLUB-Baltimore.com		✓			✓
Robin	Lopez	3440 Associated Way Apt 306 Jennep MD, MD Crest Family Fund 1120 S Ferris Dale Rowson MD 21246					

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# City of Baltimore

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

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Health, Environment, and Technology

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Wednesday, June 26, 2024

10:00 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall, Phone:  
+1-408-418-9388, Access Code: 2333 388 2493, Password:  
Public, Link: [https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?](https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?MTID=m31dbf4640f20e3a21fa7cf0a6663d7eb)  
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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**Present** 4 - Danielle N. McCray, John T. Bullock, Mark Conway, and Ryan Dorsey

**Absent** 3 - Phylicia Porter, James Torrence, and Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

#### **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

[23-0466](#)

##### **Recyclable Materials and Yard Waste - Disposal**

For the purpose of prohibiting the disposal of recyclable materials and yard waste in a landfill or an incinerator; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Mark Conway, Kristerfer Burnett, Sharon Green Middleton, Odette Ramos, Phylicia Porter, Antonio Glover, Zeke Cohen

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**