

CITY OF BALTIMORE
RESOLUTION _____
Council Bill 08-0055

Introduced by: Councilmembers Kraft, Cole, Henry, Curran, D'Adamo, Clarke
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Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

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Read second time: March 22, 2010

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CONCERNING

Charter Amendment – Sustainability and Related Funds

FOR the purpose of expressly authorizing the establishment of 1 or more continuing, nonlapsing funds to be used for promoting sustainability ~~and a clean and safe,~~ maintaining and establishing parks and other open spaces, and cleaning and preserving the natural environment in the City ~~and for related purposes~~; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to
Article I - General Provisions
Section(s) 11
Baltimore City Charter
(1996 Edition)

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

Baltimore City Charter

Article I. General Provisions

§ 11. SUSTAINABILITY AND RELATED FUNDS.

(A) *AUTHORIZATION.*

BY ORDINANCE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE MAY ESTABLISH 1 OR MORE CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OF PROMOTING SUSTAINABILITY ~~AND A CLEAN AND SAFE, MAINTAINING AND ESTABLISHING PARKS AND OTHER OPEN SPACES, AND CLEANING AND PRESERVING THE NATURAL~~ ENVIRONMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, INCLUDING:

(1) ~~ADMINISTERING~~ SUPPORTING THE ACTIVITIES OF A CITY OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY AND OF OTHER OFFICES NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE FOR THESE PURPOSES AND GOALS;

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken by amendment.

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1 (2) PERFORMING EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH ON ~~SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES~~ THESE
2 PURPOSES AND GOALS;

3 (3) PROVIDING ASSISTANCE BY LOAN, GRANT, OR OTHERWISE TO INDIVIDUALS AND
4 ORGANIZATIONS UNDERTAKING ACTIVITIES TO ~~PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY~~
5 FURTHER THESE PURPOSES AND GOALS; AND

6 (4) CONDUCTING RESEARCH ~~FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING SUSTAINABILITY TO~~
7 ADVANCE THESE PURPOSES AND GOALS; AND

8 ~~(5) FUNDING RELATED CITY PROGRAMS.~~

9 (B) *REVENUE SOURCES.*

10 A FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY COMPRISE:

11 (1) MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND IN THE ANNUAL ORDINANCES OF ESTIMATES;
12 AND

13 (2) GRANTS OR DONATIONS MADE TO THE FUND; ~~AND~~

14 ~~(3) PROCEEDS FROM FINES, FEES, AND PROGRAMS DEDICATED TO THE FUND BY~~
15 ~~ORDINANCE.~~

16 (C) *CONTINUING NATURE OF FUND.*

17 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHARTER, UNSPENT PORTIONS OF A
18 FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION:

19 (1) REMAIN IN THE FUND, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THEIR ORDAINED PURPOSES;

20 (2) DO NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL REVENUES OF THE CITY; AND

21 (3) THEIR APPROPRIATIONS DO NOT LAPSE.

22 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this proposed amendment to the City
23 Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or
24 rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form
25 specified by the City Solicitor.

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Certified as duly passed this _____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,
this _____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City