

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, August 21, 2023

5:00 PM

Du Burns Council Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall

Baltimore City Council

*Nicholas J. Mosby, President of the Council - District 1: Zeke Cohen - District 2:
Danielle N. McCray - District 3: Ryan Dorsey - District 4: Mark Conway - District 5:
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer - District 6: Sharon Green Middleton - District 7: James
Torrence - District 8: Kristerfer Burnett - District 9: John T. Bullock - District 10:
Phylcia Porter - District 11: Eric T. Costello - District 12: Robert Stokes, Sr. - District
13: Antonio Glover - District 14: Odette Ramos*

Call to Order

Invocation

Reverend Brent A Brown, Senior Pastor, Greater Harvest Baptist Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Showcase Baltimore

Brianna Woolford, Founder/CEO of InMySkin

2023 Orioles Jr. RBI 12U Champions

Roll Call

Approval of the Journal

July 17, 2023

Communications from the Mayor

Bills Signed by the Mayor

July 14, 2023, July 17, 2023 and July 24, 2023

[21-0158](#)

Landmark List - Truck House No. 5 (Oliver Community Firehouse)

For the purpose of designating the Truck House No. 5 (Oliver Community Firehouse), 1220 E. Oliver St., as an historical landmark: exterior.

Sponsors:

Robert Stokes, Sr., Phylicia Porter

[22-0271](#)

Sale of Property - 1101 Winston Avenue

For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property that is located at 1101 Winston Avenue (Block 5188; Lot 004) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[22-0296](#)

Rezoning - 810 Leadenhall Street

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 810 Leadenhall Street (Block 0902, Lot 006), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the IMU-1 Zoning District to the TOD-4 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

[22-0321](#)**Rezoning - 1419 to 1431 Bank Street and 409 South Spring Street**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 1419 to 1431 Bank Street (Block 1433, Lots 043, 044, 045, 046, 047, and 048/050) and 409 South Spring Street (Block 1433, Lot 051/060), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 and IMU-1 Zoning Districts to the C-2 Zoning District, and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Zeke Cohen

[23-0331](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Department of Housing and Community Development - \$11,000,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$11,000,000.00 to the Department of Housing and Community Development - PRJ002439 (Vacants Initiative), to provide funding for the vacants initiative; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0335](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - \$1,250,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$1,250,000.00 to the Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - PRJ001617 (914017 Enterprise IT Infrastructure), to provide funding for enterprise information technology infrastructure; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0336](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Mayor's Office of Information Technology - \$1,750,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$1,750,000.00 to the Mayor's Office of Information Technology - PRJ002410 (915079 117-079 Infrastructure Platforms End of Life Refresh/Upgrades), to provide funding for refreshing and upgrading infrastructure platforms that are at the end of their useful lives; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0337](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - \$1,000,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to the Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - PRJ002418 (923059 117-059 Upgrade Application Integration and Infrastructure), to provide funding for upgrading information technology application integration and infrastructure; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0338](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - \$500,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000.00 to the Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - PRJ002405 (912072 117-072 CitiWatch Replacement Camera Cycle), to provide funding for the replacement of CitiWatch cameras; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0339](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - \$500,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000.00 to the Mayor's Office of Information and Technology - PRJ002417 (922029 117-029 Citywide Cyber Security Systems Upgrade), to provide funding for upgrading citywide cyber security systems; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0341](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Department of General Services - \$16,600,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$16,600,000.00 to the Department of General Services - PRJ000528 (Abel Wolman HVAC and Fire Protection), to provide funding to upgrade the HVAC and fire protection at the Abel Wolman Municipal Building; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0342](#)**Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation - Department of General Services - \$500,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000.00 to the Department of General Services - PRJ002749 (City Hall HVAC), to provide funding to upgrade the HVAC at City Hall; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[23-0352](#)**City Property - Renaming Playground and Pavilion at Alhambra Park After Phyllis Gilmore**

For the purpose of changing the name of the playground and pavilion at Alhambra Park, located at 5200 Alhambra Ave, to the Phyllis Gilmore Playground and Pavilion.

Sponsors:

Mark Conway, Odette Ramos

[23-0353](#)**Community Reinvestment and Reparations Commission**

For the purpose of creating the Community Reinvestment and Reparations Commission to distribute certain funds in accordance with State law; establishing the purpose and duties of the Commission; providing for the composition of the Commission; requiring certain reports; defining certain terms; requiring certain individuals file certain financial disclosures; and generally relating to the Community Reinvestment and Reparations Commission.

Sponsors:

President Nicholas J. Mosby, Kristerfer Burnett

[23-0355](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of General Services - \$660,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$660,000.00 to the Department of General Services - Service 731 (Facilities Management), to provide funding for Fiscal Year 2022 expenses; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

Executive Nominations[EA23-0208](#)**Nancy F. Aiken, PhD**

Member - Adult Public Guardianship Review Board

RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

[EA23-0209](#)**James W. Wallace**

Fire Chief - Baltimore City Fire Department

RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Bills Introduced[23-0413](#)**The Solid Waste Management Plan for Baltimore - Repeal and Replace**

For the purpose of repealing the Solid Waste Management Plan for 2013-2023 that was adopted by Resolution 14-019, effective October 30, 2014, as amended by Resolution 15-025, effective December 18, 2015; adopting the Solid Waste Management Plan for 2024-2033; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the Solid Waste Management Plan for Baltimore City.

Sponsors:

Administration City Council

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[23-0414](#)**Property Tax Credit Reform - Work Group**

For the purpose of forming an inter-departmental work group, including broad representation from stakeholders outside Baltimore City government, to study and make recommendations for reforms to the City's property tax credit system.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock, President Nicholas J. Mosby, Odette Ramos, Phylcia Porter, Zeke Cohen, James Torrence, Mark Conway, Sharon Green Middleton, Robert Stokes, Sr., Eric T. Costello, Kristerfer Burnett

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

[23-0415](#)**Community Relations Commission - Powers and Duties - Complaint Period**

For the purpose of increasing the time within which complaints of unlawful practices must be filed with the Community Relations Commission; making certain related amendments; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Phylcia Porter, Administration City Council

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Office of Equity and Civil Rights

EDUCATION, WORKFORCE AND YOUTH COMMITTEE

[23-0416](#)**Baltimore City Office of Returning Citizens**

For the purpose of establishing a Baltimore City Office of Returning Citizens; defining certain terms; providing for the appointment of the Director of the Office; establishing the duties of the Office; providing for the staff and budget of the Office; establishing the Re-Entry Action Council to advise and collaborate with the Office; providing for the appointment, structure, and governance of the Council; requiring the Director, Council members, and staff of the Office to file financial disclosures under the Ethics Code; and requiring that the Office submit an annual report to the Mayor and City Council.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

ORDINANCE

PUBLIC SAFETY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

[23-0417](#)**Rezoning - 4911-4917 and 4919-4925 West Forest Park Avenue**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 4911-4917 West Forest Park Avenue and 4919-4925 West Forest Park Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-1 Zoning District to the OS Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett

ORDINANCE

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[23-0418](#)**Tobacco Products - Tobacco Product Use in Stadiums - Prohibition**

For the purpose of prohibiting the use of tobacco products in stadiums; defining certain terms; establishing certain penalties; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, Phylcia Porter, Ryan Dorsey, Sharon Green Middleton, Odette Ramos, John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, James Torrence

ORDINANCE

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

[23-0419](#)**Study and Report - North Franklinton Road**

For the purpose of requiring that the Department of Public Works submit a report to the Mayor and City Council evaluating the effectiveness of closing the portion of North Franklinton Road extending through Leakin Park to deter illegal dumping; specifying the contents of the report; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, President Nicholas J. Mosby

ORDINANCE

PUBLIC SAFETY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

[23-0420](#)**Residential Permit Parking Program Area ___ - Brunt Street Area**

For the purpose of establishing a new statutory Residential Permit Parking Area ___ for the Brunt Street Area.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

ORDINANCE

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[23-0421](#)**Public Service Agencies - Gas Metering and Regulation Equipment - Required Permits**

For the purpose of requiring certain public service agencies to obtain a certain permit before installing gas metering or regulating equipment on certain real property; specifying documents to be submitted with a permit application; requiring a public service agency to obtain a property owner's consent before a certain permit can be issued; establishing certain exceptions to these requirements; and generally relating to public utilities and permits to install gas metering and regulation equipment.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello, President Nicholas J. Mosby, Sharon Green Middleton, Robert Stokes, Sr., James Torrence, Mark Conway, Odette Ramos, Phylcia Porter, Antonio Glover

ORDINANCE

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

[23-0422](#)**Public Nuisances - Modifications**

For the purpose of requiring certain people be notified of a hearing regarding a public nuisance; removing prostitution from the definition of public notice; altering certain penalties; and generally relating to abating public nuisance premises.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, Odette Ramos, Phylcia Porter

ORDINANCE

PUBLIC SAFETY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

[23-0423](#)**City Property - Renaming Cottage Avenue Park to Candy Stripe Park**

For the purpose of changing the name of Cottage Avenue Park, located at North East Side 30 Foot Alley 2nd South West of Cottage Avenue Rear 3700-36 Cottage Avenue (Block 3335, Lot 067), to Candy Stripe Park.

Sponsors:

Sharon Green Middleton, President Nicholas J. Mosby

ORDINANCE

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[23-0424](#)**Unfair, Abusive, or Deceptive Trade Practices - Penalties**

For the purpose of prohibiting unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practices; establishing certain penalties; authorizing the City Solicitor to take certain action if there is reason to believe a person is engaging in certain practices; defining certain terms; and generally relating to penalties for unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practices.

Sponsors:

Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

ORDINANCE

PUBLIC SAFETY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Resolutions Introduced

[23-0184R](#) **Honoring the Medical Staff of MedStar Harbor Hospital and the R. Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center**

For the purpose of formally recognizing the heroic work of the medical staff at MedStar Harbor Hospital and the R. Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of Maryland Medical Center in response to the mass shooting at Brooklyn Homes on July 2, 2023.

Sponsors: Robert Stokes, Sr., Phylcia Porter, President Nicholas J. Mosby, Sharon Green Middleton

*RESOLUTION
IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

[23-0185R](#) **Reproductive Options for Everyone**

For the purpose of calling on all units of City government receiving City funds to safeguard an individual's right to abortion care by, unless otherwise required by Maryland or federal law, refraining from using City funds to store, catalogue, provide, monitor, or collect certain information that could be used to retaliate against an individual seeking abortion care.

Sponsors: Phylcia Porter, Odette Ramos, Sharon Green Middleton, Zeke Cohen, Kristerfer Burnett, Danielle N. McCray, John T. Bullock, Mark Conway, Robert Stokes, Sr., Antonio Glover, President Nicholas J. Mosby, James Torrence, Eric T. Costello

*RESOLUTION
HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE*

[23-0186R](#) **Informational Hearing - Examining the State of Baltimore's Middle Neighborhoods**

For the purpose of inviting the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Director of the Department of Planning, the Director of the Department of Transportation, the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Director of the Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success, the Executive Director of the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement, the City Administrator, and other interested parties to appear before the City Council to discuss: (1) the systemic disinvestment of Baltimore's middle neighborhoods and its connection to the decline in Baltimore's population of working and middle class families; (2) ongoing efforts to revitalize these neighborhoods; (3) future strategies to invest in these neighborhoods; and (4) present challenges to reversing current trends and restoring these once-stable communities.

Sponsors: Danielle N. McCray, President Nicholas J. Mosby, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Mark Conway, Sharon Green Middleton, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Robert Stokes, Sr., Odette Ramos, Phylcia Porter, Antonio Glover, Zeke Cohen, James Torrence, Eric T. Costello

*RESOLUTION
HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE*

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader

Economic and Community Development

[23-0388](#)

Urban Renewal - Lauraville Business District - Amendment 1

For the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for the Lauraville Business District 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:

Ryan Dorsey

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[23-0412](#)

City Property - Renaming Playground at Hanlon Park After Ruby K. Couch

For the purpose of changing the name of the playground Hanlon Park, located at 2731 North Longwood Street, to the Ruby K. Couch Playground.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

Public Safety and Government Operations

[23-0385](#)

Study and Report - Baltimore City Climate Resilience Authority

For the purpose of requiring the Director of Finance, the City Solicitor, the Director of Transportation, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning, and the Director of Sustainability to submit a report detailing how Baltimore City may establish a local climate resilience authority originally authorized by Chapter 236 of the Acts of 2020, now codified as Title 22 {"Resilience Infrastructure"} of the State Local Government Article.

Sponsors:

Mark Conway

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Rules and Legislative Oversight

[23-0354](#)

Administrative Procedure Act - Revisions

For the purpose of clarifying the role of the City Administrator, the Department of Law, and the Department of Legislative Reference in reviewing proposed regulations prior to public notice and comment; revising certain provisions regarding the initial submission period for a proposed regulation; revising certain provisions regarding Agency noncompliance with the Administrative Procedure Act; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the role of the City Administrator, the Department of Law, and the Department of Legislative Reference in the review and approval of proposed regulations.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Ways and Means

[23-0374](#)

Sale of Property - 707 East 34th Street

For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property that is located at 707 East 34th Street (Block 4053, Lot 076) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Odetta Ramos, City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[23-0400](#)

Port Covington Community Benefits District - Amendment - Boundaries

For the purpose of amending the boundaries of the Port Covington Community Benefits District.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader

Third Reader (requires invocation of CC Rule 12-1 for same day advance from 2nd to 3rd Reader)

[23-0385](#)

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Sponsors:

Mark Conway

[23-0400](#)

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Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

[23-0412](#)

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For the purpose of changing the name of the playground Hanlon Park, located at 2731 North Longwood Street, to the Ruby K. Couch Playground.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

Third Reader (for final passage)[22-0250](#)**The Councilmember Mary Pat Clarke Opportunity to Purchase Act**

For the purpose of repealing City Code, Article 13, Subtitle 6 {"Tenant's Right of First Refusal"} as obsolete and replacing it with a subtitle establishing a tenant's opportunity to purchase certain rental facilities; defining certain terms; establishing certain exemptions from the subtitle; providing for certain rules of interpretation; authorizing the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development to adopt rules and regulations to carry out the subtitle; requiring that a landlord provide a notice of offer of sale to certain persons on deciding to sell a rental facility; establishing certain procedures for landlords and tenants in instances where a party submits a statement of interest to purchase a rental facility; allowing for the landlord to require certain earnest money deposits; permitting the assignment of certain rights; prohibiting a waiver of certain rights absent agreed-on consideration; requiring certain disclosures if a rental facility is transferred to a party other than a tenant; requiring certain reports; providing for certain penalties; and generally relating to providing tenants with the opportunity to purchase certain rental facilities.

Sponsors:

Odette Ramos, John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, Phylicia Porter, Mark Conway, Antonio Glover, Robert Stokes, Sr., James Torrence, Sharon Green Middleton

[22-0254](#)**Office of Aging - Independent Agency**

For the purpose of establishing an Office of Aging as an independent agency; defining certain terms; providing for the appointment of the Director of the Office; establishing duties of the Office; providing for the staff and budget of the Office; requiring the adoption of certain rules and regulations; requiring the Office to submit an annual report to the Mayor and City Council; establishing the Commission on Aging to advise and collaborate with the Office; providing for the appointment, structure, and governance of the Commission; requiring the Commission to submit an annual report to the Director; and requiring Commission members, the Director, and other staff of the Office to file financial disclosures under the Ethics Code.

Sponsors:

Zeke Cohen, Sharon Green Middleton, Odette Ramos, Danielle N. McCray, John T. Bullock, Kristerfer Burnett, Mark Conway, Ryan Dorsey, Phylicia Porter, James Torrence

[23-0365](#)**Rezoning - 601 through 621 East Biddle Street, 1101 through 1129 Forrest Street, 602 East Chase Street, and 1110 Nursery Place**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, and 621 East Biddle Street, 1101, 1103, 1105, 1107, 1109, 1111, 1113, 1115, 1117, 1119, 1121, 1123, 1125, 1127, and 1129 Forrest Street, 602 East Chase Street, and 1100 Nursery Place (Block 1168, Lots 15 through 42), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the C-1 Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

Bills Withdrawn[22-0324](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Parking - 4001 Roland Avenue**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of an open off-street parking area on the property known as 4001 Roland Avenue (Block 3594A, Lot 001), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Odette Ramos

Committee Announcements**Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment**Cable Hearing Schedule**

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<http://charmtvbaltimore.com/watch-live>

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.