

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, November 4, 2024

5:00 PM

City Hall, 4th Floor, Du Burns Chambers

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****Pledge of Allegiance****Showcase Baltimore****Roll Call****Approval of the Journal**

October 21, 2024

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

October 21, 2024 and November 4, 2024

[23-0357](#)**Strengthening Renters' Safety Act**

For the purpose of establishing a priority inspection; establishing criteria for priority dwellings and priority inspections; requiring the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development to post certain notices; amending certain rental dwelling license application requirements; amending certain prerequisites for new and renewed rental dwelling licenses; amending license fees; updating inspection requirements; requiring the posting of license numbers; updating causes for denial, suspension, or revocation of a license; bolstering public access to information; authorizing the initiation of enforcement of the subtitle by complaint; providing for certain data collection; establishing the Baltimore City Rental Licensing and Inspection Task Force; providing for the composition, terms, and organization of the Task Force, establishing the duties of the Task Force, adding a civil citation fine for violating of licensing requirements; requiring annual reporting; amending certain definitions; providing a time period when the Task Force shall first convene; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Zeke Cohen, James Torrence, Odette Ramos, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Antonio Glover

[23-0392](#)**Sale of Property - A Portion of Boston 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 known as the former bed of a portion of Boston Street, bounded by the east side of Haven Street, the southernmost property line of 1201 South Haven, LLC, the west side of Canton Railroad Right-of-Way, and the north side of Boston Street, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[24-0585](#)**Supplementary Special Revenue Fund Operating Appropriation - M-R:
Miscellaneous General Expenses - \$2,165,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary Special Revenue Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$2,165,000.00 to M-R: Miscellaneous General Expenses - Service 122 (Miscellaneous General Expenses), Project Fund 6000-SPC006011-RC0609 (SI002046 - Baltimore County - Center Place Road Extension Project), to provide funding for the purchase of real property; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

Executive Nominations[EA24-0260](#)**Danise A. Jones-Dorsey**

Member - Community Reinvestment and Reparations Commission -
District 2

RULES AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Resolutions Introduced[24-0234R](#)**Request for State Action - Maryland Railway Safety Act**

For the purpose of supporting the introduction, passage, and enrollment of the Maryland Railway Safety Act.

Sponsors:

Phylicia Porter

RESOLUTION

IMMEDIATE ADOPTION

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader

Public Safety and Government Operations

[24-0507](#)

Study and Report - Infrastructure and Urban Meadows

For the purpose of requiring the Baltimore City Administrator, the Baltimore Office of Sustainability, and the Baltimore Commission on Sustainability to submit a report to the Mayor and City Council assessing the costs and benefits of installing and maintaining 100 acres of low-maintenance and self-sustaining native plant communities (otherwise known as “urban meadows”) and mapping vacant lots and existing areas with packed dirt that could be transformed into urban meadows; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Mark Conway

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[24-0233R](#)

Informational Hearing - Department of Transportation - Street Paving

Timelines

For the purpose of requiring the Director of the Department of Transportation and inviting utility partners to discuss the schedule for road resurfacing and the manner by which the repaving schedule is developed and communicated to affected communities.

Sponsors:

Mark Conway

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

Ways and Means

[24-0516](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use - Parking Lot (Principal Use) - 1211 Jefferson Street

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a principal use parking lot on the property known as 1211 Jefferson Street (Block 1295, Lot, 001G), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0533](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 4 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 15 North Stricker Street

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 4 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning district on the property known as 15 North Stricker Street (Block 0197, Lot 020), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0573](#)**Repeal of Ordinance 04-824 - Planned Unit Development - 1901 Light Street, 1921 Light Street, Bed of Johnson Street, and Block 1947, Lot 1**

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 04-824, which designated certain property located at 1901 Light Street, 1921 Light Street, Bed of Johnson Street, and Block 1947, Lot 1 a Residential Planned Unit Development; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0583](#)**The 2024 Comprehensive Master Plan for the City of Baltimore**

For the purpose of reviewing, revising, and adopting the 2024 Comprehensive Master Plan for the City of Baltimore; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[24-0586](#)**Urban Renewal - Oldtown Mall - Amendment 11**

For the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Oldtown Mall to strike all provisions of the Plan other than those pertaining to authority over disposition; 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:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0588](#)**Area of Special Signage Control - Designation - Stadium Area**

For the purpose of approving the application of the Baltimore Ravens Limited Partnership to designate an Area of Special Signage Control known as the Stadium Area District; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Phylicia Porter

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0589](#)**Rezoning - 601 West West Street (Lot N), 616 West West Street (Lot NN), and 701 West Ostend Street (Lot O)**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 601 West West Street (Lot N) (Block 0688C, Lot 019), and 616 West West Street (Lot NN) (Block 0688C, Lot 009), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the C-4 Zoning District to the C-5-DC Zoning District, and the property known as 701 West Ostend Street (Lot O) (Block 0954, Lot 001), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-2 Zoning District to the C-5-DC Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Phylicia Porter

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0590](#)**Zoning - Sign Regulations - C-5-DC Zoning District - Amendment**

For the purpose of amending sign regulations to permit the sign type “Freestanding (Pole)” in an Area of Special Signage Control within the C-5-DC Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Phylicia Porter

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[24-0591](#)**Rezoning - 121 Riverside Road**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 121 Riverside Road (Block 7027D, Lot 001), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-6 Zoning District to the IMU-1 Zoning District; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Phylicia Porter

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0601](#)**Property Taxes - Special Rate for Vacant and Abandoned Property**

For the purpose of requiring a special property tax rate for vacant and abandoned property; providing for the promulgation of rules and regulations; requiring a certain notice be sent to owners of real property within the City limits; requiring a certain annual report; defining certain terms; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the property tax levied on vacant and abandoned property.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0602](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of Transportation - \$25,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 to the Department of Transportation - Service 692 (Bridge and Culvert Management), to provide funding for bridge assessments; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0603](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of Recreation and Parks - \$905,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the aggregate amount of \$905,000 to the Department of Recreation and Parks, specifically, \$55,000 to Service 646 (Park Maintenance) to provide funding for playground and court repairs, \$50,000 to Service 647 (Youth and Adult Sports) to provide capital planning support for Upton Boxing, and \$800,000 to Service 648 (Community Recreation Centers) to expand after-school programming; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0604](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation- Mayoralty - \$41,355,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the aggregate amount of \$41,355,000 to the Mayoralty, specifically, \$100,000 to Service 109 (Mayoralty: Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success - Administration) to provide funding for summer programming, \$39,990,000 to Service 122 (Mayoralty: Miscellaneous General Expenses) to provide funding for multi-year purchasing activity, Economic Development projects, and increase in PAYGO Capital for Recreation and Parks and Transportation projects, \$250,000 to Service 125 (Mayoralty - Executive Direction and Control) to provide funding for priority projects, \$200,000 to Service 617 (Mayoralty: Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement - Criminal Justice Coordination) to provide funding for the Human Trafficking Grant Program, \$500,000 to Service 618 (Mayoralty: Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement - Neighborhood Safety and Engagement) to provide funding for increased staff costs, and \$315,000 to Service 834 (Mayoralty: Mayor's Office of Small and Minority Business Advocacy Development - MWB Opportunity Office) to provide funding for increasing funding for Main Streets; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0605](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation- Department of Housing and Community Development - \$315,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operations Appropriation in the amount of \$315,000 to the Department of Housing and Community Development - Service 745 (Housing Code Enforcement), to provide funding for additional staffing costs; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0606](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of Public Works - \$6,000,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$6,000,000 to the Department of Public Works - Service 663 (Waste Removal & Recycling), to provide funding for solid waste staffing support; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[24-0607](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - City Council - \$5,250,000**

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$5,250,000 to the City Council - Service 100 (City Council), to provide funding for priority projects; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader***Third Reader (requires invocation of CC Rule 12-1 for same day advance from 2nd to 3rd Reader)***[24-0602](#)**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Department of Transportation - \$25,000**

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City Council President (Administration)

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City Council President (Administration)

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Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

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Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

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Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

Third Reader (for final passage)

[23-0367](#) **Prohibition - Gas-Powered Debris Removal Equipment**
For the purpose of prohibiting the use of gas-powered debris removal equipment in Baltimore City; defining certain terms; establishing procedures for reporting the use of gas-powered debris removal equipment; establishing certain penalties; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Odette Ramos

[24-0529](#) **Transit-Oriented Development - Reisterstown Plaza - Amendment**
For the purpose of amending Ordinance 23-232; supporting the designation of an expanded State Transit-Oriented Development for Reisterstown Plaza, the area surrounding and including the Reisterstown Plaza metro Subway Link Station; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, City Council President (Administration)

[24-0530](#) **Transit-Oriented Development - West Baltimore**
For the purpose of supporting a State Transit-Oriented Development designation for the area surrounding and including the West Baltimore MARC Station; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: John T. Bullock, City Council President (Administration)

[24-0549](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances 1002 West Lanvale Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1002 West Lanvale Street (Block 0092, Lot 040), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

[24-0572](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances 1730 North Broadway**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 3 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1730 North Broadway (Block 1109, Lot 053), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain bulk regulations (lot area size), gross floor area per unit type, and off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

[24-0575](#)**City Streets - Closing - Certain Streets and Alleys in the Poppleton Urban Renewal Area**

For the purpose of condemning and closing certain streets and alleys, bounded by West Mulberry Street, North Schroeder Street, West Fairmount Avenue and North Stockton Street, lying within the Poppleton Urban Renewal Area, as shown on a plat numbered 343-A-27A, Sheets 1 through 6, dated January 16, 2024, prepared by the Survey Section and filed in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration), John T. Bullock

[24-0578](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - 2732 Reisterstown Road**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 3 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 2732 Reisterstown Road (Block 3250, Lot 017), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

[24-0579](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 523 North Calhoun Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 523 North Calhoun Street (Block 0125, Lot 043), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from off-street parking requirements; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

[24-0581](#)**Rezoning - 200 North Central Avenue**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 200 North Central Avenue (Block 1320, Lot 001), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the EC-2 Zoning District to the C-2 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

[24-0592](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Parking Lot - 301 East Lombard Street (a/k/a 300 East Pratt Street)**

For the purpose of reauthorizing and continuing the permission for, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of an open off-street parking area on the property known as 301 East Lombard Street (aka 300 East Pratt Street) (Block 1381, Lot 002), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

[24-0593](#)**Ordinance 24-362 - Revenue Obligations - Water Projects - Repeal and Replace**

For the purpose of repealing and replacing Ordinance 24-362 due to clerical error; maintaining the City's authorization to issue revenue obligations within the maximum aggregate principal amount of the revenue obligations that may be outstanding authorized and calculated, as of June 30 of each year by the City to finance or refinance water facilities and, in that connection, amending and restating Ordinance 02-331, as amended by Ordinances 04-687, 7-420, 11-429, and 14-292; authorizing the Board of Finance to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for, approve, and amend the form, terms, provisions, manner or method of issuing and selling, the time or times of issuance, and all other details of the revenue obligations and any other matters necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale, and payment of these revenue obligations; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the issuance and payment of revenue obligations.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

Committee Announcements

Announcements

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024 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.