

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, April 24, 2017

5:00 PM

Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall

City Council

Bernard C. "Jack" Young, President of the Council - District 1: Zeke Cohen - District 2: Brandon M. Scott - District 3: Ryan Dorsey - District 4: Bill Henry - District 5: Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer - District 6: Sharon Green Middleton - District 7: Leon F. Pinkett - District 8: Kristerfer Burnett - District 9: John T. Bullock - District 10: Edward Reisinger - District 11: Eric T. Costello - District 12: Robert Stokes, Sr. - District 13: Shannon Sneed - District 14: Mary Pat Clarke

Call to Order**Invocation**

Pastor Stephen Michael Smith, The Mount Moriah Baptist Church

Pledge of Allegiance**Roll Call****Showcase Baltimore**

Marceline White, Executive Director, Maryland Consumer Rights Coalition

Approval of the Journal

April 3, 2017

Communications from the Mayor**Executive Nominations**

- [EA17-0001](#) **A. Adar Ayira**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 10th District
- [EA17-0002](#) **Sarah Heaton**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 7th District
- [EA17-0003](#) **Karsona W. Whitehead**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 3rd District
- [EA17-0004](#) **Dr. Sheridan "Todd" Yeary**
Member - Community Relations Commission
- [EA17-0005](#) **Stephanie M. Smith**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 2nd District
- [EA17-0006](#) **Stephen M. Ruckman**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 11th District
- [EA17-0007](#) **Adote Akwei**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 2nd District
- [EA17-0008](#) **Syeetah A. Hampton-EI**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 4th District
- [EA17-0009](#) **Dr. Phillip H. Farfel**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 8th District

- [EA17-0010](#) **Carrie L. Evans**
Member - Community Relations Commission - 8th District
- [EA17-0011](#) **John Barber**
Member - Wage Commission
- [EA17-0012](#) **Caryn York**
Member - Wage Commission - 14th District
- [EA17-0013](#) **Mark J. McLaurin**
Member - Wage Commission - 11th District
- [EA17-0014](#) **Ally Amerson**
Member - Wage Commission - 11th District
- [EA17-0015](#) **Sheryl Wood**
Member - Wage Commission - 11th District
- [EA17-0016](#) **Dr. Danielle Carter Kushner**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 1st District
- [EA17-0017](#) **Blair Thompson**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 1st District
- [EA17-0018](#) **Frederick Jackson**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 7th District
- [EA17-0019](#) **Dr. Melvin Currie**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 8th District
- [EA17-0020](#) **Dr. Bridal Pearson**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 14th District
- [EA17-0021](#) **Danielle Williamson**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 11th District
- [EA17-0022](#) **Leslie Parker Blyther**
Member - Civilian Review Board - 7th District

Bills Introduced

- [17-0050](#) **Sale of Property - Block 0035 - a Portion of Lot 008 Located to the Rear of 1407 and 1409-1411 Presstman 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 known as Block 0035 - a portion of Lot 008 located to the rear of 1407 and 1409-1411 Presstman Street and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.
- ORDINANCE*
At the request of: The Comptroller (Department of Real Estate)
TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[17-0051](#)**City Streets - Opening - East Fairmount Avenue and a Portion of Aisquith Street**

For the purpose of condemning and opening East Fairmount Avenue and a portion of Aisquith Street bounded by East Fayette Street, Aisquith Street, East Baltimore Street, and East Street, as shown on Plat 227-A-24 in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[17-0052](#)**City Streets - Closing - East Fairmount Avenue and a Portion of Aisquith Street**

For the purpose of condemning and closing East Fairmount Avenue and a portion of Aisquith Street bounded by East Fayette Street, Aisquith Street, East Baltimore Street, and East Street, as shown on Plat 227-A-24A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[17-0053](#)**Sale of Property - Former Beds of East Fairmount Avenue and a Portion of Aisquith 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 parcels of land known as the former beds of East Fairmount Avenue and a portion of Aisquith Street, bounded by East Fayette Street, Aisquith Street, East Baltimore Street, and East Street, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[17-0054](#)**Franchise - Bridgeway over Centre Street**

For the purpose of granting a franchise to MD-601 N. Calvert, LLC, to use and maintain an existing elevated bridgeway that is located above and across Centre Street approximately 120 feet east of Calvert Street, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[17-0055](#)**Franchise - Parking Lot, with a Chain Link Fence, in a Portion of the North Side of the Bed of Bath Street, Between Calvert Street and Guilford Avenue**

For the purpose of granting a franchise to MD-North Calvert Street, LLC, to use and maintain an existing parking lot located in a portion of the north side of the bed of Bath Street, between Calvert Street and Guilford Avenue where this parking lot adjoins the property of MD-North Calvert Street, LLC (formerly owned by The A.S. Abell Company) and to use and maintain an existing chain link fence, with a gate, along the eastern, southern, and western boundaries of the parking lot, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[17-0056](#)**Electronic Control Devices - Authorizing Possession in Most Circumstances**

For the purpose of allowing a person to possess and use an electronic control device as a form of non-lethal self-defense in the home and in public; prohibiting a person from possessing and using an electronic control device in sensitive places; prohibiting a person who poses an unacceptable risk to public safety from possessing and using an electronic control device; prohibiting the sale of an electronic control device to persons who pose an unacceptable risk to public safety; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to electronic control devices.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Law Department

JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

[17-0057](#)**City Streets - Closing - Beds of 2 10-Foot Alleys Bounded by East 20th Street, North Chester Street, East North Avenue, and North Castle Street**

For the purpose of condemning and closing the beds of 2 10-foot alleys bounded by East 20th Street, North Chester Street, East North Avenue, and North Castle Street, as shown on Plat 161-A-63A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[17-0058](#)**City Streets - Closing - A Portion of West 26th Street**

For the purpose of condemning and closing a portion of West 26th Street, extending from the west side of North Howard Street southwesterly 306 feet, more or less, and southeasterly for a variable width, as shown on Plat 70-A-3020A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

At the request of: Department of Transportation

HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

[17-0059](#)**Sale of Property - Block 3434, Lots 2 and 1**

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 known as Block 3434, Lots 2 and 1 and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

ORDINANCE

*At the request of: Department of Housing and Community Development
TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

[17-0060](#)**Rezoning - 127, 129, 133, and 135 W. West Street and 1220 Race Street**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 127, 129, 133, and 135 W. West Street (Block 0962, Lots 14, 15, 17, and 18), as outlined in blue on the accompanying plat, from the OR-1 Zoning District to the TOD-4 Zoning District, and changing the zoning for the property known as 1220 Race Street (Block 0962, Lot 31A), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the TOD-1 Zoning District to the TOD-4 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

ORDINANCE

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

[17-0061](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Parking, Open Off-Street Area - 4603 Pall Mall Road**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a parking, open off-street area on the property known as 4603 Pall Mall Road, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Sharon Green Middleton

ORDINANCE

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

[17-0062](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of 1 Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - 2216 Eutaw Place**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of 1 dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 2216 Eutaw Place, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Leon F. Pinkett, III

ORDINANCE

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

[17-0063](#)**Citizens Advisory Commission for Public Safety**

For the purpose of establishing the Baltimore City Citizens Advisory Commission for Public Safety; providing for the Commission's composition, terms of office, meetings, quorum, officers, and rules of procedure; requiring the Commission, in cooperation with the Baltimore City Police Department, to develop annually a Community Interaction Recommendations Report; specifying the elements of the Report; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Citizens Advisory Commission for Public Safety.

Sponsors:

Brandon M. Scott, Eric T. Costello, Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Bill Henry, Zeke Cohen, Mary Pat Clarke, Edward Reisinger, Shannon Sneed, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Sharon Green Middleton, John T. Bullock

ORDINANCE

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

[17-0064](#)**Commemorative Days - Henrietta Lacks Day**

For the purpose of declaring October 4 of each year to be Henrietta Lacks Day and requiring the Mayor to proclaim Henrietta Lacks Day on October 4 of each year.

Sponsors:

Shannon Sneed, Sharon Green Middleton, President Young, Eric T. Costello, Bill Henry, Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Brandon M. Scott, Zeke Cohen, Mary Pat Clarke, Edward Reisinger, John T. Bullock

ORDINANCE

JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Resolutions Introduced[17-0022R](#)**Informational Hearing - Moving Baltimore to Zero Waste**

For the purpose of requesting that representatives from the Department of Public Works, the Health Department, Baltimore City Public Schools, the Office of Sustainability, the Department of Housing and Community Development, and other City agencies involved with waste reduction efforts in Baltimore appear before the City Council, along with experts on Zero Waste efforts nationwide, to discuss the development of a Zero Waste plan for Baltimore that will advance sustainability, public health, and job creation.

Sponsors:

Mary Pat Clarke, Sharon Green Middleton, Eric T. Costello, Ryan Dorsey, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Bill Henry, Brandon M. Scott, John T. Bullock, Edward Reisinger, Shannon Sneed, Zeke Cohen, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Kristerfer Burnett

RESOLUTION

JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader

Judiciary and Legislative Investigations

[17-0025](#)

City Property - Renaming a Trail

For the purpose of changing the name of the Ridge Trail, located between the Norman Reeves Trail and the Old Spring Trail in Gwynns Falls/Leakin Park, to be the Heide Grundmann Trail.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, President Young

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[17-0033](#)

Building Code - Correcting Definition of “High-Rise Building”

For the purpose of deleting from the City Building Code an outdated definition of “high-rise building”, thereby conforming that term’s meaning to the more modern definition adopted by the International Building Code.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[17-0010R](#)

Investigative Hearing - Baltimore City Police Staffing, Recruitment, and Retention

For the purpose of requesting that the Baltimore City Police Commissioner appear before the City Council to brief it regarding recruitment efforts, officer retention, and recouping training dollars, report on the number and percentage of individuals that enroll in the police academy, graduate from the police academy, and are employed by the Baltimore Police Department after graduation, and discuss the retention rate of those employed by the Baltimore Police Department, the deployment of officers, and how that deployment will enable the City to curtail the rise in violent crime.

Sponsors:

President Young, Bill Henry, John T. Bullock, Eric T. Costello, Brandon M. Scott, Ryan Dorsey, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Zeke Cohen, Robert Stokes, Sr., Kristerfer Burnett, Shannon Sneed, Edward Reisinger, Sharon Green Middleton

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[17-0015R](#)

Investigative Hearing - Water Billing

For the purpose of requesting that the Department of Public Works and the Department of Finance brief the City Council on water affordability for customers of Baltimore’s Bureau of Water and Wastewater, the new water billing system started in October 2016, and concerns raised by customers of the Bureau of Water and Wastewater regarding unusually high bills, missing bills, and the process to contest bills.

Sponsors:

President Young, Robert Stokes, Sr., Sharon Green Middleton, Brandon M. Scott, Eric T. Costello, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Ryan Dorsey, Bill Henry, Zeke Cohen, Shannon Sneed, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Edward Reisinger

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

Land Use and Transportation

[17-0007](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use Parking, Off-Street Garage - 1000 South Ellwood Avenue (to be Known as 3033 Dillon Street)

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a parking, off-street garage on the property known as 1000 South Ellwood Avenue (to be known as 3033 Dillon Street), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Zeke Cohen

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[17-0021](#)

Baltimore City Zoning Code - Legalization - Corrections

For the purpose of legalizing new City Code Article 32 {"Zoning"}, as enacted by Ordinance 16-581 {"TransForm Baltimore - Zoning"} and edited, codified, and published by the Baltimore City Department of Legislative Reference; further amending new Article 32 to correct various technical errors, omissions, and inconsistencies and to correct, clarify, and conform various references and language; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the zoning and development laws of the City of Baltimore.

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Public Safety

[17-0007R](#)

Reviving the Baltimore Police Cadet Program

For the purpose of requesting that the Director of Finance release 50 of the 250 frozen police officer positions in order to revive the Baltimore police cadet program.

Sponsors:

Brandon M. Scott, Mary Pat Clarke, President Young, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Eric T. Costello, Robert Stokes, Sr., Shannon Sneed, John T. Bullock, Bill Henry, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Zeke Cohen, Sharon Green Middleton, Edward Reisinger

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader

Third Reader (to be held one meeting)

[17-0015](#)

Planned Unit Development - Designation - The Fox Building

For the purpose of approving the application of D & C Management LLP, owner of the following properties: 3100 Falls Cliff Road (Block 3504B, Lot 001), 3300 Falls Cliff Road (Block 3511D, Lot 002), and Block 3511D, Lots 1 and 3 (collectively, the "property"), to have the property designated an Industrial Planned Unit Development; and approving the Development Plan submitted by the applicant.

Sponsors:

Mary Pat Clarke, Ryan Dorsey, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Zeke Cohen

Third Reader (for final passage)[17-0022](#)**City Streets - Closing - Bed of Duker Alley**

For the purpose of condemning and closing the bed of Duker Alley, extending westerly 92 feet, more or less, to the westernmost extremity thereof from the west side of Albemarle Street, as shown on Plat 232-A-15A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

Committee Announcements**Announcements**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 8, 2017 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment

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.