

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, July 9, 2018

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**

Minister Bell of Greater Paradise Christian Center

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

Nicole Fall and Alexis Ray, Baltimore Clayworks

Approval of the Journal

June 25, 2018

Resolutions Introduced**Consent Calendar**

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader***Judiciary and Legislative Investigations***

[18-0259](#)

Fire Code - Repealing Appendix D

For the purpose of amending the City Fire Code to repeal Appendix D {"Fire Apparatus Access Roads"}; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Land Use and Transportation

[18-0187](#)

Zoning - Use Regulation - Live Entertainment

For the purpose of clarifying that, in a certain circumstance, the Mayor and City Council may approve a conditional use for live entertainment; and providing that live entertainment in the C-4 Zoning District requires conditional use approval by Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[18-0209](#)

Zoning Code - Modifications

For the purpose of making needed improvements to certain provisions that, during the course of actively implementing the new Zoning Code, were discovered to be functionally impractical or otherwise in need of modification to abate previously unanticipated consequences; correcting various errors, omissions, and inconsistencies; correcting, clarifying, and conforming various references and terminology; and generally relating to the zoning and development laws of the City of Baltimore.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[18-0210](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use - Amending Ordinance 16-469

For the purpose of amending Ordinance 16-469 to reauthorize and continue the permission for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a parking lot for the parking of 4 or more automobiles on the property known as 4001 Roland Avenue; providing for the automatic termination of this Ordinance; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Mary Pat Clarke

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

Public Safety

[17-0002R](#)

Coordinated Agency Violence Reduction Strategy

For the purpose of requesting that the Baltimore Police Commissioner, the Baltimore Health Commissioner, the Director of Department of Public Works, the Director of Transportation, the Director of Recreation and Parks, the Director of the Mayor's Office of Employment Development, the Baltimore Housing Commissioner, the Director of CitiStat, and the President of the Baltimore Development Corporation present to the City Council on a coordinated violence reduction strategy for Baltimore.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[18-0070R](#)**Informational Hearing - Crisis Preparedness and Safety in Our Schools**

For the purpose of calling on representatives from Baltimore City Public Schools Police, the Baltimore Police Department, the Fire Department, and the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to appear before the Council to discuss emergency preparedness and safety in our schools in the wake of the horrific shootings in Parkland, Florida.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader***Third Reader (for final passage)***[18-0199](#)**Charter Amendment - Office of the Inspector General**

For the purpose of creating an independent Office of the Inspector General headed by an Inspector General; establishing the process for appointing and terminating the Inspector General; establishing the powers and duties of the Office of the Inspector General; appointing the Inspector General to serve as the Executive Director of the Board of Ethics; granting the Inspector General the authority to cancel or suspend certain contracts with the concurrence of the City Solicitor; setting a minimum guaranteed funding level for the Office of the Inspector General; setting a minimum guaranteed compensation level for the Inspector General; granting the Inspector General the power to issue subpoenas; requiring the Office of the Inspector General to issue an annual public report; requiring City employees and officials to forward certain types of complaints to the Office of the Inspector General; requiring the Office of the Inspector General to keep the identities of complainants confidential to the extent allowed by law; establishing procedures to transition the existing Office of the Inspector General in the Law Department into the newly created independent Office of the Inspector General; generally relating to the Office of the Inspector General; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

Sponsors:

Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Bill Henry, Shannon Sneed, Mary Pat Clarke, Brandon M. Scott

[18-0200](#)**City Property - Renaming Radecke Park to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park**

For the purpose of changing the name of Radecke Park, located at 5602 Radecke Avenue, to Ralph Sears Fields at Radecke Park.

Sponsors:

Brandon M. Scott, Mary Pat Clarke

[18-0215](#)**Maryland Department of Transportation - County Transportation Revenue Bonds - Series 2018**

For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore (the “City”) to enter into an agreement with the Maryland Department of Transportation in connection with the participation by the City in the proceeds derived from the sale of certain bonds, to be known as Department of Transportation of Maryland County Transportation Revenue Bonds, Series 2018 or as otherwise designated by the Secretary of Transportation and to be issued pursuant to Title 3, Subtitle 5 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended; authorizing certain officials of the City to take certain actions in connection with the City’s participation in the proceeds of the sale of such bonds; providing for the pledge of the City’s share of Highway User Revenues to the payment of such bonds; providing that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the City shall be pledged to the City’s payment obligations under the Participation Agreement identified herein; providing for the severability of the provisions of this Resolution; providing that this Resolution shall be liberally construed; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[18-0216](#)**City Property - Renaming Ambrose Kennedy Park to Henrietta Lacks Educational Park**

For the purpose of changing the name of Ambrose Kennedy Park, located at 1002 Harford Avenue, to Henrietta Lacks Educational Park.

Sponsors:

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

[18-0222](#)**Charter Amendment - Equity Assistance Fund**

For the purpose of authorizing the establishment of a continuing, nonlapsing Equity Assistance Fund, to be used exclusively to assist efforts that reduce inequity based on race, gender, or economic status in Baltimore; requiring that the annual Ordinance of Estimates include a specified appropriation for the Equity Assistance Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

Sponsors:

Brandon M. Scott, Bill Henry, Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Kristerfer Burnett, Shannon Sneed, Sharon Green Middleton, Robert Stokes, Sr., Mary Pat Clarke

[18-0223](#)**Equity Assessment Program**

For the purpose of providing for the implementation of an Equity Assessment Program for Baltimore City, to be developed and overseen by the Department of Planning; requiring City agencies to assess existing and proposed policies and practices for disparate outcomes based on race, gender, or income and to proactively develop policies, practices, and investments to prevent and redress those disparate outcomes; defining certain terms; providing for the adoption of rules and regulations to carry out this Program; requiring certain notices and reports; and generally relating to the goal of eliminating structural and institutional racism and other forms of discrimination based on immutable characteristics.

Sponsors:

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

[18-0228](#)**Issuance of Revenue Obligations - Stormwater Projects**

For the purpose of authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery from time to time by the City of revenue obligations that may be issued by the City to finance or refinance stormwater facilities; prescribing that the maximum aggregate principal amount of such revenue obligations that may be outstanding at any one time is \$202,000,000; authorizing the Board of Finance of the City 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)

[18-0229](#)**Charter Amendment - Fair Election Fund**

For the purpose of authorizing the establishment of a continuing, nonlapsing Fair Election Fund, to be used exclusively to administer a public financing option for political campaigns for Baltimore City elected offices; authorizing the Mayor and City Council to dedicate revenue to the Fair Election Fund by ordinance; establishing a Fair election Fund Commission to administer the Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, Bill Henry, Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Brandon M. Scott, Zeke Cohen, Shannon Sneed, Mary Pat Clarke

[18-0251](#)**Obstructing Traffic in an Intersection - \$125 Fine**

For the purpose of changing the fine for obstructing or impeding the free flow of traffic within an intersection or a marked crosswalk from \$250 to \$125; clarifying and conforming related provisions; and generally relating to fines for obstructing or impeding the free flow of traffic.

Sponsors:

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

[18-0264](#)**Charter Amendment - Charter Commission General Recommendations**

For the purpose of increasing the City's record keeping flexibility; repealing an obsolete provision regarding the City's official time; improving the City's legislative and administrative flexibility by removing redundant Charter provisions and language more appropriate for ordinances or regulations; removing Charter provisions found to simply restate applicable State law; requiring the Department of Finance to employ at least 1 Certified Public Accountant to perform certain duties; allowing certain agencies to be designated by law to approve the withdrawal of City monies from depositories; removing certain formal lien requirements from the Charter; clarifying that the review of disciplinary matters by the Board of Fire Commissioners is at the request of the Fire Chief; clarifying the authority of the Mayor to appoint the Board of Recreation and Parks; modernizing various public notice provisions, including removing mandatory requirements for notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Baltimore City; simplifying requirements related to the City's Master Plan; removing certain penalties relating to the Department of Planning from the Charter; conforming to State law requiring alternate members be made available for the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals; allowing the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals to change its rules internally; removing the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals' authority to appoint employees other than its Executive Secretary; updating the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals' powers for reviewing paving assessments and other matters; conforming a provision relating to appeals from Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals' decisions to State law; replacing the Board of Legislative Reference with an ad hoc board appointed by the Mayor, the President of the City Council, and the Comptroller; allowing the newly restructured ad hoc Board of Legislative Reference to make recommendations regarding the hiring of a Director of Legislative Reference; removing the Civil Service status of the Director of Legislative Reference; making the Director of Legislative Reference removable for any reason rather than just for incompetence or neglect of duties; allowing the Mayor and the President of the City Council to jointly appoint and remove the Director of Legislative Reference; allowing the President of the City Council to recommend 1 of the 3 Civil Service Commissioners; updating the required qualifications for Civil Service Commissioners; formally transferring many of the powers formerly belonging to the Civil Service Commission to the Department of Human Resources to improve administrative flexibility; allowing the Department of Human Resources to transfer employees into and out of the Civil Service by regulation, and to adjust Civil Service protections administratively, to increase flexibility in personnel management; updating the required qualifications for the Director of Human Resources; removing certain penalties relating to the Civil Service Commission from the Charter; adding the State's Attorney for Baltimore City to the list of elected officials covered by the Compensation Commission for Elected Officials; removing certain obsolete provisions regarding street railways, trackless trolleys, and advertising from the Franchises Article; establishing a procedure for regularly appointing Charter Review Commissions to review the Charter and make recommendations as to the necessity for deleting, adding to, or revising any portion of its contents; requiring the appointment of a Charter Review Commission at least once every 10 years; requiring that the Charter Review Commission publically report on its findings to the Mayor and City Council; clarifying and conforming related provisions; setting special effective dates for the proposed Charter amendments; and submitting this amendment to the

qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

Committee Announcements

Announcements

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2018, AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment

Cable Hearing Schedule

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2018 AT 5:00 P.M

Judiciary and Legislative Investigations - Chair – Eric Costello

Legislative Oversight: LO18-0035 – Druid and Ashburton Reservoir Projects

CHARM TV 25

MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018 AT 5:00 P.M

Public Safety Committee - Chair – Brandon Scott

18-0060R – Multi-Year Coordinated Comprehensive Multi-Agency Violence Reduction Strategy

CHARM TV 25

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.