

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, November 18, 2019

5:00 PM

Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall

City Council

Brandon M. Scott, President of the Council - District 1: Zeke Cohen - District 2: Danielle McCray - 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

Michael Watson Jr., Vice Primate of River of Healing Fellowship Ministries Inc.

Pledge of Allegiance

Showcase Baltimore

Lydia Watts, ROAR Center at UMB

Youth Showcase

Kyche Y.Curtis, Josh Lynn and Crystal Tillery from the Associated Student Congress of Baltimore City

Roll Call

Approval of the Journal

November 4, 2019

Communications from the Mayor

Bills Signed by the Mayor

November 4, 2019 and November 14, 2019

[19-0351](#)

Rezoning - 3515 East Lombard Street

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 3515 East Lombard Street (Block 6288, Lot 034), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the C-1 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Zeke Cohen, Brandon M. Scott

[19-0360](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District - Variance - 1214 Bolton 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-7 Zoning District on the property known as 1214 Bolton Street (Block 0420, Lot 010), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain off-street parking regulations.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

[19-0392](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variance - 2132 West Baltimore 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 2132 West Baltimore Street (Block 0190, Lot 015), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain bulk (lot area size) regulations.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

[19-0406](#)**Franchise - Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless**

For the purpose of granting a franchise to Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless, a Delaware general partnership, to construct, install, maintain, repair, operate, relocate, replace, and remove certain Communications Facilities in and across certain streets and Public Ways and Park Properties, subject to certain terms and conditions; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[19-0407](#)**Franchise - New Cingular Wireless PCS**

For the purpose of granting a franchise to New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, to construct, install, maintain, repair, operate, relocate, replace, and remove certain Communications Facilities in and across certain streets and Public Ways and Park Properties, subject to certain terms and conditions; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

[19-0413](#)**Planned Unit Development - Amendment 2 - Whitehall Cotton Mill**

For the purpose of approving certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Whitehall Cotton Mill Planned Unit Development; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Leon F. Pinkett, III

[19-0430](#)**Repeal of Ordinance 16-580 -Northwood Commons Planned Unit Development**

For the purpose of repealing Ordinance 16-580, which designated certain properties as a Business Planned Unit Development known as Northwood Commons; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Ryan Dorsey

[19-0456](#)**High-Performance Newly Constructed Dwellings - Clarification**

For the purpose of clarifying the tax credit qualification deadline for certain high-performance newly constructed dwellings; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello, Bill Henry, Sharon Green Middleton, Robert Stokes, Sr.

Executive Nominations

[EA19-0257](#)**Donna Davis**

Member - Board of Ethics - District 1

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Bills Introduced

[19-0467](#)**Charter Amendment - Vetoes - Timing of Override**

For the purpose of modifying and clarifying the time within which the Council may consider to override a mayoral veto; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

Sponsors:

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

*MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE*

[19-0468](#)**Child First Authority - Updating**

For the purpose of amending certain statutory provisions governing the Child First Authority to better reflect the Authority's status under City Charter Article II, § 64(b), as an "independent unit" of City government; conforming certain provisions to long-standing existing practice; and repealing certain obsolete provisions.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration)

*ORDINANCE
At the request of: Child First Authority
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE*

[19-0469](#)**Release of Easement - 10 South Howard Street**

For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to release a pedestrian easement located on the property known as 10 South Howard Street and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Eric T. Costello

*ORDINANCE
TAXATION, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE*

Resolutions Introduced

[19-0181R](#)**Historically Black Colleges and Universities Settlement**

For the purpose of supporting the ruling of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland and the offer made by the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Coalition regarding the lawsuit against the State and urging Governor Hogan and the General Assembly to settle the Coalition lawsuit in accordance with the Court ruling and the offer made by the Coalition.

Sponsors:

President Brandon M. Scott, John T. Bullock, Shannon Sneed, Zeke Cohen, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Eric T. Costello, Bill Henry, Mary Pat Clarke, Danielle McCray

*RESOLUTION
IMMEDIATE ADOPTION*

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader

Executive Appointments

- [EA19-0251](#) **Emily Hovermale**
Member - Anti Animal Abuse Advisory Commission
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION
- [EA19-0252](#) **Darcy Phelan-Emrick**
Member - Anti Animal Abuse Advisory Committee - District 1
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION
- [EA19-0253](#) **Lisa Radov**
Member - Anti Animal Abuse Advisory Commission
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION
- [EA19-0254](#) **Regina T. Boyce**
Member - Sustainability Commission - District 14
RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION

Housing and Urban Affairs

- [19-0432](#) **Campaign Signs in Residential Areas - Repeal of Earliest Date Requirement**
For the purpose of repealing a prohibition on erecting campaign signs on residential property prior to a certain date; and conforming and clarifying related provisions.
- Sponsors:** Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, President Brandon M. Scott, Zeke Cohen, Ryan Dorsey, Bill Henry, Kristerfer Burnett, Edward Reisinger
- RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS*
- [19-0158R](#) **Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License - 1503-05 Light Street**
For the purpose of providing the required approval under Md. Code Ann., Alc. Bev. § 12-902.1(c)(1) to allow the license holder holding a valid Class B-D-7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor License issued for 1503-05 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21230 to apply to the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City to exchange their Class B-D-7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor License for a Class A-7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor License.
- Sponsors:** Eric T. Costello
- RECOMMEND FAVORABLE*

Judiciary

[19-0403](#)

Fair Election Fund - Establishment and Administration

FOR the purpose of establishing the Fair Election Fund authorized by City Charter Article I, § 15 to provide public campaign financing for candidates for City elective office; regulating certain campaign finance activity of a candidate for City elective office who voluntarily accepts public campaign financing; providing for the powers and duties of the City Fair Election Fund Commission; requiring that the Commission educate the citizens of Baltimore on regarding the Fund and how to participate; requiring that the Commission perform certain periodic reviews; establishing certain qualifications for applicants to receive public campaign financing; establishing an application process; authorizing the Maryland State Board of Elections to assist in the administration and enforcement of the public campaign financing system; establishing certain Fund distribution requirements; providing for certain penalties for violations of the public campaign financing system; defining certain terms; conforming and correcting related provisions; generally relating to the administration of the Fair Election Fund; and providing for special effective dates.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, Bill Henry, Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Zeke Cohen, Shannon Sneed, Sharon Green Middleton, Danielle McCray, Mary Pat Clarke, Edward Reisinger, President Brandon M. Scott

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Land Use

[19-0415](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variances - 1700 West Franklin 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 1700 West Franklin Street (Block 0121, Lot 069), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting variances from certain bulk (lot area) and off-street parking regulations.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

[19-0418](#)

Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variance - 1047 North Caroline 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 1047 North Caroline Street (Block 1191, Lot 018), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain off-street parking regulations.

Sponsors:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[19-0419](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 3 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District - Variance - 2310 Eutaw Place**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 3 dwelling units in the R-7 Zoning District on the property known as 2310 Eutaw Place (Block 3424, Lot 026), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain bulk (lot area) regulations.

Sponsors:

Leon F. Pinkett, III

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS***Public Safety**[19-0466](#)**Human-Trafficking Notice Requirements - Corrective**

For the purpose of correcting a typographical error in the City Code regarding the appropriate number to text message in order to report human-trafficking; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, President Brandon M. Scott, Bill Henry

*RECOMMEND FAVORABLE***3R Third Reader****Third Reader (requires invocation of CC Rule 12-1 for same day advance from 2nd to 3rd Reader)**[19-0466](#)**Human-Trafficking Notice Requirements - Corrective**

For the purpose of correcting a typographical error in the City Code regarding the appropriate number to text message in order to report human-trafficking; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, President Brandon M. Scott, Bill Henry

Third Reader (for final passage)[19-0401](#)**Comprehensive Bag Reduction**

For the purpose of repealing the Plastic Bag Reduction Program; prohibiting certain dealers from supplying customers with plastic bags for use as checkout bags; authorizing certain exemptions; defining certain terms; imposing certain civil and criminal penalties; imposing a surcharge on checkout bags supplied by dealers to certain customers; and providing for special effective dates.

Sponsors:

Bill Henry, Ryan Dorsey, John T. Bullock, Shannon Sneed, Kristerfer Burnett, Mary Pat Clarke, President Brandon M. Scott, Zeke Cohen, Sharon Green Middleton, Edward Reisinger

Enrolled Third Reader (for final passage)[18-0307](#)**Water Accountability and Equity Act**

For the purpose of increasing the availability or affordability of basic water and wastewater service to low-income consumers and assuring a fair process for all consumers before the City exercises its authority to cut off water services, impose liens, or take similar action; establishing for these purposes a Water-for-All Discount Program, an Office of Water-Customer Advocacy and Appeals, and a Committee for Office Oversight; establishing the eligibility requirements for the Water-for-All Discount Program and its grant of an annual billing credit, and providing for the credit's administration, computation, distribution, and recertification requirements and for the effect of midyear ineligibility, program arrears, and related matters; excepting recipients in the Water-for-All Discount Program from certain penalties imposed on certain delinquent service charges; providing for the operational independence of the Office of Water-Customer Advocacy and Appeals as a neutral intermediary authorized to conduct problem-solving investigations of water and wastewater billing and related disputes and authorized, subject to certain limitations and the right to seek administrative and judicial appeals, to implement solutions to those disputes; specifying the personnel of the Office of Water-Customer Advocacy and Appeals who are required to file financial disclosure statements under the City Ethics Code; providing for the Committee for Office Oversight's composition, officers, meetings, and oversight duties; providing that the non-payment of water and wastewater charges subject to a pending request for Office investigation, review, or appeal, or for judicial or appellate review, may not serve as cause for a service cut-off, the imposition of a lien against property, or a property's inclusion in certain tax sales; requiring certain notices before, and imposing certain restrictions and limitations on, service cut-offs for delinquency of payments; requiring that persons who have been issued a cut-off notice be offered the opportunity to enter into an installment payment agreement, subject to certain terms and conditions; reducing the interest rate applicable to redemptions from tax sale of properties designated by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation as the owner's principal residence; defining various terms; clarifying and conforming related provisions; and providing for special effective dates.

Sponsors:

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

Committee Announcements**Announcements**

Clearing of the Bill Status

17-0097, 17-0098, 18-0177, 18-0188, 18-0191, 18-0274, 18-0285, 18-0286, 18-0311, 18-0312, 18-0313, 19-0325, 19-0339, 19-0344, 19-0359, 19-0361, 19-0362, 19-0363, 19-0364, 19-0368, 19-0372, 19-0374, 19-0379, 19-0383, 19-0389

17-0008R, 17-0023R, 17-0040R, 17-0056R, 17-0057R, 18-0087R, 18-0090R, 18-0095R, 18-0103R, 18-0113R, 19-0132R, 19-0136R, 19-0137R, 19-0139R, 19-0143R, 19-0149R, 19-0151R

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment**Cable Hearing Schedule**

We are live streaming more to you now than ever before! Please visit <https://baltimore.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> to view all legislative hearings, work sessions, voting sessions and council meetings that are covered by 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.