

City of Baltimore

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



Meeting Agenda - Final

Monday, March 8, 2021

5:00 PM

**Virtual Webex Meeting: Phone: +1-408-418-9388, Access Code:
179 888 3097, Password: Baltimore, Link:**

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

Pastor Alvin Gwynn, Leadenhall Baptist Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Showcase Baltimore

Vincent Lancisi, Founder and Artistic Director and Paige Hernandez, Associate Artistic Director, Everyman Theater

Roll Call

Approval of the Journal

February 22, 2021

Communications from the Mayor

Bills Signed by the Mayor

March 1, 2021

[21-0017](#)

Study and Report - City Employee Parking Benefits

For the purpose of requiring that the Department of Human Resources and the Department of Finance submit a report to the Mayor and City Council evaluating certain matters related to providing parking and commuter benefits to City employees; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Zeke Cohen

[21-0018](#)

Study and Report - Towing Dispatch Systems

For the purpose of requiring that Baltimore City Information and Technology, in consultation with certain other agencies, submit a report to the Mayor and City Council evaluating methods and systems of dispatching towing vehicles within Baltimore City; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

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

Bills Introduced[21-0047](#)**Charter Amendment - Dante Barksdale Career Technology Apprenticeship Fund**

For the purpose of establishing a continuing, non-lapsing Dante Barksdale Career Technology Education Fund, to be used exclusively to supplement pre-apprenticeship programs and other workforce development programs; requiring a minimum monthly appropriation to this Fund; authorizing the Mayor and City Council, by ordinance, to provide for the oversight, governance, and administration of this Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

Sponsors:

President Nicholas J. Mosby, Sharon Green Middleton, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Odette Ramos, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, James Torrence, Mark Conway

ORDINANCE

EDUCATION, WORKFORCE AND YOUTH COMMITTEE

[21-0048](#)**Construction Projects - Project Labor Agreements**

For the purpose of requiring project labor agreements for certain construction projects in Baltimore City; providing for the content of those agreements; permitting the Director of Finance to waive the project labor agreement requirement under certain circumstances; allowing for rules and regulations; and defining certain term.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

ORDINANCE

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

[21-0049](#)**Prohibited Disposals - Fines and Reporting (The Neighbors Against Predatory Dumping Act)**

For the purpose of modifying the applicable environmental control citation and civil citation fines for violating Title 7, Subtitle 6 of the Baltimore City Health Code; and requiring that the Health Commissioner submit an annual report detailing certain information regarding the City's prohibited disposal laws.

Sponsors:

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

ORDINANCE

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Resolutions Introduced[21-0026R](#)**Investigative Hearing - COVID-19 and Small Business Re-Openings**

For the purpose of inviting representatives from the Baltimore Development Corporation to brief the City Council on their efforts to support small businesses and economic development in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sponsors:

Phylcia Porter, Mark Conway, John T. Bullock, Danielle N. McCray, Odette Ramos, James Torrence

RESOLUTION

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

[21-0027R](#)**Informational Hearing - Illegal Dumping**

For the purpose of inviting the Acting Director of the Department of Public Works and the Acting Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, as well as representatives from the Law Department, the Health Department, and the Baltimore Police Department to explain how their agencies assist in solving the problem of illegal dumping in the City.

Sponsors:

James Torrence, Sharon Green Middleton, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Danielle N. McCray, Odette Ramos

RESOLUTION

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

[21-0028R](#)**Informational Hearing - Baltimore's Plan for our Neighbors Experiencing Homelessness and Residing in Hotels during the Pandemic**

For the purpose of inviting the Acting Director of the Mayor's Office of Homeless Services, the Director of the Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success, the City Administrator, the Acting Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the advocacy groups Housing Our Neighbors and Homeless Persons Representation Project to brief and advise the City Council as to: the overall outcomes for neighbors experiencing homelessness who were able to reside in the hotels; what is next for them; assistance for those experiencing homelessness in encampments during the crisis; and the availability of programs to access housing.

Sponsors:

Odette Ramos, Sharon Green Middleton, John T. Bullock, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, James Torrence

RESOLUTION

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[21-0029R](#)**Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License - 1801 East North Avenue**

For the purpose of providing the required approval under Md. Code Ann., Alc. Bev. § 12-902.1(d)(1) to allow the license holder holding a valid Class B-D-7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor License issued for use at 1801 East North Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21213 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:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

RESOLUTION

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[21-0030R](#)**Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License - 1232 North Caroline Street**

For the purpose of providing the required approval under Md. Code Ann., Alc. Bev. § 12-902.1(d)(1) to allow the license holder holding a valid Class B-D-7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor License issued for use at 1232 North Caroline Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21213 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:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

RESOLUTION

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[21-0031R](#)**Approval for the Exchange of a Class B-D-7 License to a Class A-7 License - 1041 Greenmount Avenue**

For the purpose of providing the required approval under Md. Code Ann., Alc. Bev. § 12-902.1(d)(1) to allow the license holder holding a valid Class B-D-7 Beer, Wine, and Liquor License issued for use at 1041 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 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:

Robert Stokes, Sr.

RESOLUTION

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[21-0032R](#)**Informational Hearing - Studying the Feasibility of a Small Hauler Incentive Program**

For the purpose of inviting representatives from the Department of Finance, Department of Public Works, and the Department of Health to discuss the feasibility of enacting a small hauler incentive program to better offset illegal dumping and litter in our communities.

Sponsors:

Phylcia Porter, Sharon Green Middleton, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Danielle N. McCray, Odette Ramos, James Torrence

RESOLUTION

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

[21-0033R](#)**Investigative Hearing - Women in Public Safety: Leveling the Playing Field**

For the purpose of requesting that the Chief of the Baltimore City Fire Department, the Commissioner of the Baltimore Police Department, and the Director of the Department of Human Resources come before the Baltimore City Council to provide information about their agencies' strategy to recruit, retain, mentor, and promote more women.

Sponsors:

Danielle N. McCray, Sharon Green Middleton, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Odette Ramos

RESOLUTION

PUBLIC SAFETY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

[21-0034R](#)**Informational Hearing - Baltimore City Broadband Expansion**

For the purpose of inviting the Baltimore City Department of Finance, the Comptroller, Baltimore City Information Technology, the Law Department, the Department of Transportation, and other relevant parties to discuss and present multiple options for broadband and high-speed data access within the City of Baltimore; discussing the City's powers or limitations regarding broadband expansion with regard to State law as well as City contracts and franchises already in place and the possibility of creating a municipal broadband utility to assist citizens in their accessibility to broadband; discussing possible policy or legislative reforms, and any other relevant information of interest to the Baltimore City Council in order to bring Baltimore City's broadband infrastructure and technology into the 21st Century.

Sponsors:

Antonio Glover, Sharon Green Middleton, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Danielle N. McCray, Odette Ramos, James Torrence

RESOLUTION

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Consent Calendar

(See Section A at back of Agenda)

2R Second Reader***Economic and Community Development***[21-0005](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District - Variances - 810 Argonne Drive**

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 810 Argonne Drive (Block 3913C, Lot 021), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; providing for a special effective date; and granting variances from certain bulk regulations (lot area size), gross floor area per unit type, and off-street parking requirements.

Sponsors:

Mark Conway

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[21-0006](#)**Rezoning - 407 Benninghaus Road**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 407 Benninghaus Road (Block 5014C, Lot 004A), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-3 Zoning District to the OR-1 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

Mark Conway

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[21-0010](#)**Rezoning - 2087 Druid Park Drive**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 2087 Druid Park Drive (Block 3390B, Lot 036), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-1 Zoning District to the IMU-1 Zoning District.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[21-0011](#)**Rezoning - 2426 Pennsylvania Avenue**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 2426 Pennsylvania Avenue (Block 0294, Lot 014), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the OR-1/R-MU Zoning District to the C-1-E Zoning District.

Sponsors:

James Torrence

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[21-0013](#)**Rezoning - 4015 Foster Avenue, 4000 Hudson Street, and 801 South Haven Street**

For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 4015 Foster Avenue (Block 6447 Lot 021) and 4000 Hudson Street (Block 6457, Lot 018), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the I-1 Zoning District to the IMU-2 Zoning District; and changing the zoning for the property known as 801 South Haven Street (Block 6458, Lot 003), from the I-2 Zoning District to the IMU-2 Zoning District, as outlined in blue on the accompanying plat.

Sponsors:

Zeke Cohen

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[21-0015](#)**Zoning - Conditional Use Parking Lots - 115 and 118 Mount Clare Street**

For the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of parking lots on the properties known as 115 Mount Clare Street (Block 0251, Lot 068) and 118 Mount Clare Street (Block 0251, Lot 072), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

John T. Bullock

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Health, Environment and Technology[21-0002R](#)**Investigative Hearing - Inland Flood Mitigation**

For the purpose of inviting the Acting Director of the Office of Emergency Management, the Acting Director of the Department of Public Works, the Director of the Department of Planning, the Director of the Office of Sustainability, and other representatives of these agencies to provide an update on efforts to mitigate and prevent inland flooding, which is not covered by the recently passed Nuisance Flood Plan.

Sponsors:

Odette Ramos, Kristerfer Burnett, Sharon Green Middleton, Zeke Cohen, Phylcia Porter, Robert Stokes, Sr.

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

[21-0010R](#)**Informational Hearing - Getting on the Same Page: Clarifying 311 Services' Approach to Resolving Requests**

For the purpose of inviting representatives from 311 Services, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Office of the City Administrator, the Baltimore Development Corporation, BGE, and the Mayor's Office of Performance and Innovation to appear before the City Council to discuss how to improve the status classifications within the 311 to make them better understandable, more transparent, and more reliable for the citizens of Baltimore.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

Public Safety and Government Operations[21-0024](#)**Minority and Women's Business Utilization - Emergencies**

For the purpose of clarifying the City's minority business and women's business contract utilization requirements for certain emergency procurements; requiring that, after an emergency procurement, the agency submit a report to the Board of Estimates and the Minority and Women's Business Opportunity Office; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to greater transparency and utilization of minority and women's business in City emergency contracting.

Sponsors:

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

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS

Rules and Oversight[EA21-0026](#)**James L. Shea**

City Solicitor - Law Department - District 1

RECOMMEND CONFIRMATION

Ways and Means[21-0032](#)**Salary - Director of Public Works**

For the purpose of establishing the salary of the Director of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration), Sharon Green Middleton

RECOMMEND FAVORABLE

3R Third Reader

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

[21-0032](#)

Salary - Director of Public Works

For the purpose of establishing the salary of the Director of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

City Council President (Administration), Sharon Green Middleton

Third Reader (for final passage)

[21-0003](#)

Baltimore City Workgroup on Nuisance Parking and Auto Businesses

For the purpose of establishing the Baltimore City Workgroup on Nuisance Parking and Auto Businesses; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study certain matters related to the illegal storage of motor vehicles in public rights-of-way by motor vehicle repair establishments and motor vehicle dealerships and make certain recommendations; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on or before a certain date; providing for a special effective date; providing for the termination of this Ordinance; and generally relating to the illegal practice of using the public right-of-way as surplus private motor vehicle storage.

Sponsors:

Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Zeke Cohen, Antonio Glover, Sharon Green Middleton, John T. Bullock, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, James Torrence, Phylcia Porter, Odette Ramos

[21-0008](#)

City Property - Naming the Playground in Northwest Park, Located at 2027 West Rogers Avenue, to be the Rikki Spector Playground

For the purpose of naming the playground in Northwest Park, located at 2027 West Rogers Avenue and approximately 100 feet from the street, to be the Rikki Spector Playground.

Sponsors:

Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Sharon Green Middleton

[21-0014](#)

Baltimore City Fire Department - Reporting Requirements

For the purpose of requiring the Fire Chief of the Baltimore City Fire Department to report annually certain information to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore; requiring the report to be made available on the Department's website; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors:

Kristerfer Burnett, Zeke Cohen, Ryan Dorsey, Danielle N. McCray, Sharon Green Middleton, John T. Bullock, James Torrence, Antonio Glover

Committee Announcements

Announcements

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021 AT 5:00 P.M.**

Adjournment

Cable Hearing Schedule

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