

## CITY OF BALTIMORE

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### HEARING NOTES

Bill: 22-0277

#### Landmark List - Reed Calloway House

**Committee:** Economic and Community Development

**Chaired By:** Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

**Hearing Date:** March 21, 2023

**Time (Beginning):** 2:56 PM

**Time (Ending):** 3:10 PM

**Location:** City Hall; Clarence "Du" Burns Chambers and WEBEX

**Total Attendance:** ~20

**Committee Members in Attendance:**

John Bullock Mark Conway Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

Bill Synopsis in the file?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Agency reports read? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Video or audio-digitally recorded? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Motioned by: .....	Councilmember Ramos		
Seconded by: .....	Councilmember Conway		
Final Vote: .....	Favorable		

#### Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Councilmember James Torrence, Sponsor
- Lauren Schizik Commission on Historical and Architectural Preservation (CHAP)
- Stephanie Murdock, Department of Housing and Community Development



- Sophia Gebrehiwot, Mayor’s Office of Government Relations
- Mica Fetz, Baltimore Development Corporation
- Johns Hopkins, Baltimore Heritage
- Carlos Alejandro, Executive Director, Cab Calloway Foundation
- Kathi Reid, Descendant of Cab Calloway

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### Major Issues Discussed

1. Councilmember Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and read the bill into the record.
2. Councilmember Torrence commented about the significant historical and architectural purpose of the bill and the need to support the efforts to preserve the property.
3. Lauren Schizik commented about the purpose of the bill and presented CHAP’s recommendations and findings which are outlined in the agency’s report.
4. Agency representatives provided reports for their respective agencies.
5. The committee opened the hearing for public testimony. Johns Hopkins testified in support of the bill. He spoke about the loss of many properties owned by notable African-Americans.
6. Mr. Carlos Alejandro spoke in support of the bill and looked forward to partnering with other organizations to highlight the accomplishments of Cab Calloway.
7. The committee approved a motion to recommend the bill favorably.
8. The hearing was adjourned.

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### Further Study

Was further study requested?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, describe.

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### Committee Vote:

Sharon Green Middleton, Chair:..... Yea  
 John Bullock: ..... Yea  
 Mark Conway: ..... Yea  
 Ryan Dorsey: ..... Absent  
 Antonio Glover: ..... Yea  
 Odette Ramos: ..... Yea  
 Robert Stokes: ..... Yea

Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

Date: March 21, 2023

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