



HEARING NOTES

Bill: 23-0380

Charter Amendment – Community Reinvestment and Reparations Fund

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired by: Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing Date: October 3, 2023

Time (Beginning): 2:10 PM

Time (Ending): 2:50 PM

Location: Du Burns Council Chamber / Webex

Total Attendance: Approximately 20 people

Committee Members in Attendance:

Sharon Green Middleton	John Bullock	Mark Conway	Antonio Glover
Ryan Dorsey	Odetta Ramos	Robert Stokes	

- Bill Synopsis in the file? YES NO N/A
- Attendance sheet in the file? YES NO N/A
- Agency reports read? YES NO N/A
- Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded?..... YES NO N/A
- Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? YES NO N/A
- Evidence of notification to property owners? YES NO N/A
- Final vote taken at this hearing? YES NO N/A
- Motioned by:
- Seconded by:.....
- Final Vote:

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Elena DiPietro, Law Department
- Laura Larsen, Department of Finance
- Nina Themelis, Mayor’s Office
- Dana Moore, Office of Equity and Civil Rights

Major Issues Discussed

1. Chair Middleton called the hearing to order.
2. President Mosby sponsor of the bill made opening comments.
3. The City Solicitor’s office gave their report.
 - a. Noted that there where concerns with the bill and had asked the office of legislative reference to create amendments to address these concerns.
4. President Mosby commented on the City Solicitor’s report. This included:
 - a. That the purpose of the fund was to hold all potential monies from multiple sources for Community Reinvestment and Reparations not just the ones from the state fund.
5. The Department of Finance gave their report.
6. Councilmember Dorsey had a question for the sponsor about the structure of the bill asking if it would require secondary action by the council to create the fund if passed in a referendum.
7. The City Solicitor’s office noted a concern that additional monies may not be able to be used in the fund due to differing requirements on the usage of one set of funds to another.
 - a. The Department of Finance also noted that different sets of funds are not combined into one fund – they are held separate and then leveraged together on different projects. i.e. a housing project may take 25% of their monies from one fund, 35%, from another and 40% from another.
8. The Office of Equity and Civil Rights gave their report.
9. The Chair opened the floor to public testimony:
 - a. One resident commented on the bill.
10. President Mosby offered closing comments.
11. Chair Middleton recessed the hearing.

Further Study

Was further study requested? Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

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

Anthony Leva, Committee Staff

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