



HEARING NOTES

Council Bill: 23-0367

Gas-Powered Debris Removal Equipment

Committee: Health, Environment, and Technology  
Chaired by: Councilwoman Danielle McCray

Hearing Date:  
Time (Beginning): 10:52 AM  
Time (Ending): 11:08 AM  
Location: Council Chambers  
Total Attendance: Approximately 18  
Committee Members in Attendance:  
Danielle McCray Mark Conway Ryan Dorsey  
James Torrence

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 type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" 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
Hearing televised 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 type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" 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:.....	Dorsey		
Seconded by: .....	Torrence		
Final Vote: .....	Fav. With Amendment		

Major Speakers  
(This is not an attendance record.)

N/A

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**Major Issues Discussed**

1. A significant focus was on the penalties associated with the bill, particularly the distinction between criminal and civil penalties. There was concern about the bill defaulting to criminal penalties, which could lead to constitutional challenges.
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**Further Study**

**Was further study requested?**

Yes  No

**If yes, describe.**

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**Committee Vote:**

D. McCray:.....Yea  
J. Bullock: .....Absent  
M. Conway: .....Yea  
R. Dorsey:.....Yea  
P. Porter: .....Absent  
J. Torrence: .....Yea  
I. Schleifer: .....Absent

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Committee Staff: Deontre L. Hayes  
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Date: 9/12/24

**BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL  
HEALTH, ENVIORNMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE  
VOTING RECORD**

**COUNCIL BILL#: 23-0367    DATE: September 11, 2024**

**TITLE: Gas-Powered Debris Removal Equipment**

**MOTION BY:** Dorsey                      **SECONDED BY:** Torrence

- FAVORABLE                       FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS  
 UNFAVORABLE                       WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
McCray, D.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bullock, J.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conway, M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dorsey, R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schleifer, I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Porter, P.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Torrence, J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>TOTALS</b>				

**CHAIR:** Danielle McCray x Danielle McCray

**COMMITTEE STAFF:** Deontre Hayes, Initials: DH

# City of Baltimore

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

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Health, Environment, and Technology

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Wednesday, September 11, 2024

10:01 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall, Phone:  
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Public, Link: [https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?](https://bmore.webex.com/bmore/j.php?MTID=m0efbbf4a38017c6d568ed5fd65783d7e)  
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23-0367

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### INTRODUCTIONS

#### ATTENDANCE

**Present** 4 - Danielle N. McCray, Mark Conway, Ryan Dorsey, and James Torrence

**Absent** 3 - John T. Bullock, Phylicia Porter, and Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

#### ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

[23-0367](#)

##### **Prohibition - Gas-Powered Debris Removal Equipment**

For the purpose of prohibiting the use of gas-powered debris removal equipment in Baltimore City; defining certain terms; establishing procedures for reporting the use of gas-powered debris removal equipment; establishing certain penalties; and providing for a special effective date.

**Sponsors:** Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Odette Ramos

**A motion was made by Dorsey, seconded by Torrence, that this Ordinance be Recommended Favorably with Amendment. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 4 - McCray, Conway, Dorsey, and Torrence

**Absent:** 3 - Bullock, Porter, and "Yitzy" Schleifer

#### ADJOURNMENT