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HEARING NOTES

Resolution: 21-0023R

Informational Hearing - "1% for Art" Program

Committee: Ways and Means
Chaired by: Councilman Eric T. Costello

Hearing Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021
Time (Beginning): 11:25 AM
Time (Ending): 12:10 PM
Location: Virtual "WebEx" Meeting
Total Attendance: Approximately 45

Committee Members in Attendance:

Eric T. Costello	Kristerfer Burnett
Robert Stokes, Sr.	Ryan Dorsey
Danielle McCray	Sharon Green Middleton
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer	

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 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 type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a

Major Speakers

(This *is not* an attendance record.)

- Chris Ryer, Department of Planning
- Aaron Bryant, Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts (BOPA)
- Jocquelyn Downs, BOPA
- Brian Wentz, BOPA
- Mara James, Department of Finance
- Kathleen Kelleher, Comptroller's Office
- Marcia Collins, Department of Public Works (DPW)



Major Issues Discussed

1. Councilmember Dorsey, primary sponsor of the Resolution gave opening remarks. Some highlights from his remarks included:
 - BOPA administers the program
 - The importance of public art
 - The importance of him and others having a clear understanding of how the program is administered; to include which and/or what each agency is responsible for
 - Some “institutional memory” has been damaged due to time, turnover and retirements
 - The importance of everyone understanding the law!
 - Talked briefly about the Comptroller’s Office bill report
 - Talked about “upcoming meetings” to occur between agencies to discuss terms of compliance
 - Hope that the Resolution is not voted out of committee today so the hearing can reconvene in the future; approximately within six months
2. Chairman Costello went over agency reports and asked the representatives if he/she had any additional comments, concerns and/or information to share. As follows:
 - Chris Ryer, **Planning** – stated that he would be glad to work with other agencies to make the program work better **
 - Several other agency representatives agreed with Mr. Ryer’s statement above. **
 - Representatives from **BOPA**:
 - Are looking more to automation
 - Talked about ways the program can be more efficient
 - Talked about some capital projects
 - Comment: BOPA should be and/or are pioneers in supporting public art!
 - Talked about the history regarding BOPA being pioneers for supporting public art
 - The representative from **Finance** gave comments regarding special and capital funding
 - The representative from the **Comptroller’s Office** talked about new processes for construction projects
 - The representative from **DPW** talked about funding for Waste/Wastewater projects and about what the funding can be used for.
3. Councilmember Dorsey asked BOPA to talk about the collections they received within the past year to include the processes for those collections.
4. Councilmember Dorsey, primary sponsor of the Resolution gave closing remarks/statements, some were:
 - Agencies are responsible to set-a-side 1% of funds for contracts over \$100,000
 - The law has been around for quite some time; hopes that the upcoming/future meetings between agencies will help clarify same
 - Aspect of the law(s)
 - Wants to make it clear that it is up to the Public Art Commission what and/or how funds are to be used

- Is looking forward to the Comptroller's Office commitment to start around May 5th
 - For now, all concerns about the program is satisfied!
5. Chairman Costello recessed the hearing; to reconvene at a later date.
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Further Study

Was further study requested?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, describe.

Marguerite M. Currin

Marguerite M. Currin, Committee Staff

Date: April 23, 2021

cc: Bill File
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Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

Subject: Council Resolution – Informational Hearing – “1% for Art” Program	Bill #: 21-0023R
Committee: Ways and Means	Chair: Eric T. Costello
Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021	Time: 10:01 AM
Location: WebEx Meeting	

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Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council
City Hall, Room 408
100 North Holliday Street
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Ways and Means

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

10:01 AM Virtual/Du Burns Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall: Phone:
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CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 7 - Eric T. Costello, Kristerfer Burnett, Ryan Dorsey, Danielle N. McCray, Sharon Green Middleton, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, and Robert Stokes Sr.

ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

21-0023R

Informational Hearing - "1% for Art" Program

For the purpose of inviting representatives from the Public Arts Commission, the Baltimore Development Corporation, the Parking Authority, the Planning Department, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Department of Transportation, the Mayor's Office, the Department of Finance, and the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts to discuss the continued administration of the "1% for Art" program.

Sponsors: Ryan Dorsey, Kristerfer Burnett, Zeke Cohen, John T. Bullock, Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing was called to recess; to reconvene at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT