

City of Baltimore

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

Meeting Minutes - Final

Budget & Appropriations Committee

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

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Council Bills 25-0045, 25-0046, 25-0047 and 25-0048

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 5 - Danielle N. McCray, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Sharon Green Middleton, Paris Gray, and Antonio "Tony" Glover

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

[25-0045](#) Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation –
Department of Recreation and Parks – Service 654 (Urban Forestry) –
\$90,000

FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$90,000 to the Department of Recreation and Parks – Service 654 (Urban Forestry), to provide funding for addressing the pressing concerns surrounding the detrimental impact of deer on the forested natural areas within Baltimore City parks, particularly those affecting forest ecology in U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) Inflation Reduction Act (“IRA”) Disadvantaged Communities; and providing for a special effective date.

A motion was made by Chairwoman McCray, seconded by member Gray, that Ordinance 25-0045 be Recommended Favorably with Amendments. The motion carried the following vote:

Yes: 5 - McCray, Schleifer, Middleton, Gray, and Glover

[25-0046](#) Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation –
Health Department (Service 723 - Advocacy for Seniors) – \$90,236

FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary State Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$90,236 to the Health Department – Service 723 (Advocacy for Seniors), to provide funding for assisting and guiding

care givers of persons with dementia, building community awareness of dementia, and strengthening the ability of area agencies on aging to provide services to the growing number of Marylanders with ADRD and their family care givers; and providing for a special effective date.

A motion was made by Chairwoman McCray, seconded by member Middleton, that Ordinance 25-0046 be Recommended Favorably with Amendments. The motion carried the following vote:

Yes: 5 - McCray, Schleifer, Middleton, Gray, and Glover

[25-0047](#)

Supplementary Federal Fund Operating Appropriation –
M-R Office of Employment Development – Service 795
(Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents) – \$206,822

FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary Federal Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$206,822 to the M-R Office of Employment Development – Service 795 (Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents), to provide funding for a Recovery-Friendly Workplace pilot (RFW) to educate the business community about the benefits of providing resources for employees struggling with substance use disorder, and for job seekers in recovery that have barriers to employment because of their previous struggles with substance use; and providing for a special effective date.

A motion was made by Chairwoman McCray, seconded by member Middleton, that Ordinance 25-0047 be Recommended Favorably with Amendments. The motion carried the following vote:

Yes: 5 - McCray, Schleifer, Middleton, Gray, and Glover

[25-0048](#)

Supplementary Federal Fund Operating Appropriation –
M-R Office of Employment Development – Service 795
(Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents) – \$1,375,655

FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary Federal Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$1,375,655 to the M-R Office of Employment Development – Service 795 (Workforce Services for Baltimore Residents), to provide funding for case management, barrier removal, supportive services, and skills training to workers dislocated by the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse, as well as offering occupational skills training to prepare workers to assist with disaster recovery efforts and, eventually, the reconstruction of the bridge; and providing for a special effective date.

A motion was made by Chairwoman McCray, seconded by member Middleton, that Ordinance 25-0048 be Recommended Favorably with Amendments. The motion carried the following vote:

Yes: 5 - McCray, Schleifer, Middleton, Gray, and Glover

ADJOURNMENT