



## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** Charter Amendment - Inner Harbor Park  
For the purpose of amending the provision dedicating for public park uses the portion of the City that lies along the north west and south shores of the Inner Harbor, south of Pratt Street to the water's edge, east of Light Street to the water's edge, and north of Key Highway to the water's edge, from the World Trade Center around the shoreline of the Inner Harbor and including Rash Field to permit multifamily residential development and off-street parking within the dedicated boundaries of Inner Harbor Park; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**Sponsors:** Eric T. Costello, President Nicholas J. Mosby

**Indexes:** Charter Amendment, Inner Harbor

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**Attachments:** 1. 23-0444~1st Reader, 2. BMZA 23-0444, 3. Finance 23-0444, 4. 23-0444 - Planning, 5. Law 23-0444, 6. BCRP 23-0444, 7. DOT-23-0444, 8. BDC 23-0444, 9. DHCD 23-0444 (1), 10. OECR 23-0444, 11. 23-0444 - Hearing Packet, 12. cc23-0444(2)~1st (Costello), 13. 2-13-2024 Inner Harbor Public Testimony 23-0444, 23-0446, 23-0448, 14. ECD Hearing Notes Inner Harbor Redevelopment 23-0444, 23-0446, & 23-0448, 15. 23-0444 Inner Harbor Charter Amendment Voting Record, 16. Inner Harbor Attendance Sheet 2, 17. Inner Harbor Attendance Sheet, 18. Jay Brodie Testimony Inner Harbor Redevelopment, 19. 2nd Reader Amendments 23-0444(1)~1st (ECD), 20. 23-0444~3rd Reader, 21. 23-0444 Signed, 22. Complete Ordinance 23-0444 24-318

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
3/18/2024	0	Mayor	Signed by Mayor	
3/4/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	Approved and Sent to the Mayor	
2/26/2024	0	Baltimore City Council	3rd Reader, for final passage	
2/26/2024	0	Economic and Community Development	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	
2/13/2024	0	Economic and Community Development	Recommended Favorably with Amendment	Pass
1/8/2024	0	Economic and Community Development	Scheduled for a Public Hearing	
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Baltimore Development Corporation	
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Dept. of Transportation	
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Dept. of Recreation and Parks	
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Dept. of Housing and Community Development	
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Planning Commission	
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals	

11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to City Solicitor
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Office of Civil Rights and Wage Enforcement
11/2/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Refer to Dept. of Finance
10/30/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Assigned
10/30/2023	0	Baltimore City Council	Introduced

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### **Introductory\***

## **City of Baltimore Council Bill**

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### **A Resolution Entitled**

#### **A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council concerning Charter Amendment - Inner Harbor Park**

For the purpose of amending the provision dedicating for public park uses the portion of the City that lies along the north west and south shores of the Inner Harbor, south of Pratt Street to the water's edge, east of Light Street to the water's edge, and north of Key Highway to the water's edge, from the World Trade Center around the shoreline of the Inner Harbor and including Rash Field to permit multifamily residential development and off-street parking within the dedicated boundaries of Inner Harbor Park; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

By proposing to repeal and re-ordain, with amendments  
Article I - General Provisions  
Section 9  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

**Section 1. Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore,** That the Charter of Baltimore City is proposed to be amended to read as follows :

### **Charter of Baltimore City**

#### **Article I. General Provisions**

#### **§ 9. Inner Harbor Park.**

There is hereby dedicated to public park uses for the benefit of this and future generations of the City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland the portion of the City that lies along the north, west and south shores of the Inner Harbor, south of Pratt Street to the water's edge, east of Light Street to the water's edge and north of Key Highway to the water's edge, from the World Trade Center around the shoreline of the Inner Harbor to and including Rash Field, except that, [in order] to provide eating places, [and] other commercial uses, multi-family dwellings, and off-street parking, areas totaling not more than [3.2] 4.5 acres plus access

thereto, within the dedicated space and north of an easterly extension of the south side of Conway Street shall be set aside for such purposes; and except that in order to provide outdoor eating places for the areas known as West Shore Park and Rash Field, areas totaling not more than 0.5 acres within the dedicated space and south of an easterly extension of the south side of Conway Street shall be set aside for such purposes; and except that an area of not more than 3.4 acres shall be set aside for use by the Maryland Science Center, plus access thereto.

**Section 2. And be it further resolved,** That this proposed amendment to the Charter of Baltimore City be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or rejection, in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form specified by the City Solicitor.