



# City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester  
Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401

## Standing Committee Minutes Economic Matters Committee

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Monday, July 21, 2014

6:30 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers Jr.,  
City Council Chambers

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### 1. Call To Order

**The Chair called the Meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.**

**Present:** 3 - Alderman Budge, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Paone

### 2. Legislation before Committee

#### R-24-14

**Special Event Applications** - For the purpose of authorizing City Council approval of selected special events per R-14-12, implementing a moratorium on administrative approvals for events at City Dock; designating specific dates for the sale of merchandise in the Historic District in conjunction with only the approved special events; waiving City fees for Eastport Yacht Club 32nd Annual Eastport Yacht Club Lights Parade and the Annapolis Jaycees Grand Illumination; waiving parking fees for the Maritime Republic of Eastport Tug of War; and the reimbursement of full fees to the City for the cost associated with the other approved events.

**Attachments:** [R-24-14 Amended Signed.pdf](#)

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[Staff Report.pdf](#)

[Budge Amendment.docx](#)

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[Environmental Matters Amendments](#)

*Special Events Coordinator Nolan discussed the legislation.*

*Ms. Debbie Goslin, Watermark Cruises, discussed the economic affects of the military bowl and a new 5 mile race authorized in R-24-14.*

*Ms. Nolan clarified that the date of the race is incorrect in the legislation but correct in the staff report.*

#### **ID-238-14**

#### Special Events Policy and legislation

*The Committee discussed Special Events Policy generally and took public comment on the topic. Mr. Doug Smith, 5 Revel Street, discussed special events policy.*

*Ms. Ann Berger, 170 Duke of Gloucester, spoke on special events legislation supporting the policy of one major event per month.*

*Ms. Debbie Goslin, Watermark Cruises, spoke on the special events legislation.*

*Ms. Goslin discussed the economic impact of special events.*

*Ms. Peggy Summers, Gibsons Lodging, 110 Prince George Street, spoke on special events policy and how it affects downtown businesses.*

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**Alderman Budge moved to adopt the Environmental Matters Committee Amendment. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Budge, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Paone

**Alderman Budge moved to adopt as amended. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Budge, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Paone

#### O-18-14

**Admission and Amusement Taxes** - For the purpose of codifying the City of Annapolis' laws related to the admission and amusement tax authorized by the Tax-General Article, § 4-102(c), of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

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*Ms. Raftovich discussed the legislation.*

**Alderman Budge moved to recommend favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Budge, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Paone

### 3. Business before Committee

**a. Approval of Minutes**

**Alderman Finlayson moved to approve. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderman Finlayson and Alderman Paone

**Abstain:** 1 - Alderman Budge

[ECON05141](#) Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting  
[4](#)

**Attachments:** [May 14, 2014](#)

**4. Adjournment**

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.**

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