



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, November 6, 2023

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Buckley called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Invocation

Given by Alderwoman Pindell Charles.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Buckley.

Roll Call

Tonight's Roll Call began with Alderwoman Tierney.

Present: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Arnett moved to approve the agenda as submitted. **Seconded.**
CARRIED on voice vote.

Ceremonial Items

[ID-159-23](#)

Proclamation: Artist Sunday in Annapolis

This Ceremonial Item was presented.

PETITIONS, REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

A. Update from the Mayor

Good evening! I'd like to congratulate the teams from the Annapolis and Eastport sides of the creek for participating in the Annual Tug of War on Saturday. The event was fun and raised funds for good causes. The Annapolis side took the trophy for most wins. Thank you to all who worked to make this annual event a success.

I'd like to knock down a rumor that the reimagining of City Dock will be the end of this very Annapolis tradition of tug-o-war. First, we will work to ensure that this event can happen both during and after construction. Second, the

best part of the new City Dock Park may be that the Annapolis side could become the place for the better party!

Speaking of City Dock, we've got City Dock community meetings coming up between November 15 and December 14 at the American Legion, Pip Moyer Rec Center, the Eastport Fire Station and the Busch Library on West Street . Please visit the website for more details on the dates and times at www.AccessAnnapolis.com.

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Since this is the last meeting before Thanksgiving, Black Friday and Small Business Saturday, I'd like to give you a heads up on a number of events and activities happening in the City over the holiday season.

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This Friday, City offices are closed for Veteran's Day. Refuse and recycling pickups are unaffected. Pip Moyer will remain open, while the Stanton Center will be closed. Annapolis Transit will operate on a Sunday schedule.

On Saturday, at 11 a.m. the City will commemorate Veteran's Day with the Fleet Reserve Club in downtown. The public is invited to this free event.

Then we move to Thanksgiving and beyond. On the 23rd, Thanksgiving Morning, the annual Turkey Trot 5K fun run will be held. It begins in Eastport and continues over the Spa Creek bridge, through downtown, up King George to West Annapolis where runners turn around. Please note there are no road closures for this 9am race. Runners are expected to stay on sidewalks, but we ask drivers to use extra caution.

On Friday November 24th, otherwise known as Black Friday, City offices will be closed. And on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, it will be time to head to your favorite local retailers for Small Business Saturday.

Then, the Sunday after Thanksgiving is the Grand Illumination at Market Space where we will light the downtown Annapolis Christmas Tree.

From there, things will get even busier!

On Friday, December 1, from 5 to 9 p.m., it's the Maryland Avenue & State Circle retailers' Holiday Open House.

The following Thursday, Dec. 7 will be the first of three Midnight Madness nights in downtown. The alpacas will be out for the 7th and the 14th. Also on the 7th is the Menorrah lighting ceremony at City Dock for the first night of Hanukkah.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, we'll have the Eastport Yacht Lights Parade.

On Thursday, Dec. 14 is the second night of midnight madness and the City's holiday Open House right here in City Council Chambers from 4 to 6 p.m. Also on the 14th is the Inner West Street Holiday Fest with the first block of West Street closed to traffic.

From Thanksgiving through to New Year, our holiday parking program will begin. It's two hours free at metered spaces and - for this year only - we will be offering one hour of free parking at Hillman Garage.

There are lots more events to follow in December but I look forward to telling you about those at our next meeting. Look for updates on the City website and social pages to keep up to date with all the great things happening around Naptown at this time of year.

Now let's get on with our meeting!

B. Reports by Committee

Standing Committee Dates:

Transportation Committee / Finance Committee JOINT Meeting

November 8, 2023, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Environmental Matters Committee Regular Meeting

November 9, 2023, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

C. Comments by the General Public

Speakers:

Robert Madden, 11 College Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Susan Margolis, 113 Conduit Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Megan Crabtree, 26 East Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Michael Lore, 208 Lockwood Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Jordon Crabtree, 26 East Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Mayor Buckley declared comments from the general public closed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Approval of Journal of Proceedings

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Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[CCM 10.23.23](#) Special Meeting Minutes

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Appointments

[AP-34-23](#) Appointment - Planning Commission - Stephen Reilly

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to confirm AP-34-23. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Supplemental Appropriations \$50,000 or less

[SA-9-24](#) APD - State of Maryland(State Aid for Police Protection) - Grant

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve SA-9-24. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[SA-11-24](#) OEM - Federal Emergency Management Agency - Grant

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve SA-11-24. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

1. Supplemental Appropriations more than \$50,000

[SA-8-24](#) Department of Planning & Zoning - Other Grant Revenue

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve SA-8-24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[SA-10-24](#) Department of Transportation - Fund Balance - Supplies & Other

Transportation Director Moore was present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve SA-10-24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

2. Fund Transfers

[FT-3-24](#)

General - Police Department - Salaries & Benefit/Contractual Services

Acting Captain Miguez was present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve FT-3-24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

[O-35-23](#)

Civil Service Board Duties - For the purpose of clarifying and streamlining Civil Service Board duties to those related to holding hearings and deciding appeals regarding issues involving civil service employees.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Human Resources Manager Hopkins was present and answered questions from the council.

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on O-35-23 closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

1. First Readers

Resolutions(s)

[R-57-23](#)

Sister City Relationship with the City of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina -

For the purpose of authorizing a sister city relationship between the City of Annapolis and the City of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley, Arnett, Schandelmeier and Pindell Charles

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-57-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to suspend the rules to allow for passage of the resolution R-57-23 at the meeting of its introduction. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-57-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

2. Second Readers

Ordinance(s)

[O-49-22](#) **Planning and Zoning - Parking and Loading Regulations - Parking fee-in-lieu of meeting off-street parking requirements.** - For the purpose of authorizing a parking fee-in-lieu for certain businesses required to provide parking spaces; and generally relating to off-street parking requirements.

Sponsors: Tierney, Arnett and Savidge

Alderman Arnett moved to withdraw O-49-22 without objection. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Nay: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderman Schandelmeier

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Gay

Resolutions(s)

[R-54-23](#) **Noah Hillman Garage Parking Concession Agreement** - For the purpose of starting an investigation into problems with the Noah Hillman Garage parking contractor and finding solutions to eliminate the overly complicated parking fee payment system that's discouraging the use of the parking garage.

Sponsors: Tierney and O'Neill

City Manager Mallinoff Was present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-54-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

**Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk**