

# City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401*



## Standing Committee Minutes

Friday, June 17, 2016

10:00 AM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.  
City Council Chambers

**Rules & City Government Committee**

1. Call To Order

Chairman Arnett called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

2. Legislation before Committee

[CA-2-16](#) Amending the City's Maximum Penalty- For the purpose of amending the Maximum Penalty applicable to misdemeanors, infractions and violations to that proscribed by State Law.

**Attachments:** [CA-2-16 Amending Maximum Penalty.docx](#)  
[CA-2-16 Staff Report.docx](#)  
[CA-2-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)  
[CA-2-16 Rules Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

*Alderman Budge gave a presentation on the legislation and answered questions from the committee.*

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to recommend CA-2-16 with the Rules and City Government amendment as follows:**

**Amendment #1**

**Page 2, line 11, strike: "IN THE DISCRETION OF"**

**Page 2, line 11, after COUNCIL strike: ", AN ORDINANCE**

**THE CITY COUNCIL MAY IMPOSE FINES, INCARCERATION, OR OTHER PENALTIES OR REMEDIES AS PERMITTED BY LAW. Seconded CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

[O-25-16](#) City Code Maximum Penalty Provision - For the purpose of amending the City Code to be consistent with the Charter concerning the Maximum Penalty applicable to misdemeanors, infractions and violations proscribed by State Law.

**Attachments:** [O-25-16 1.20.010 Misdemeanors.docx](#)  
[O-25-16 1.20.010 Staff Report.docx](#)  
[O-25-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)

*Alderman Budge gave a presentation on the legislation and answered questions from the committee.*

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to recommend favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

[O-21-16](#)

Title 4 - Elections - For the purpose of amending and updating Chapters 4.28 and 4.44 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning absentee voting and fair election practices; and matters generally relating to absentee voting and fair election practices.

**Attachments:** [O-21-16 Election Code Ordinance.docx](#)

[O-21-16 Staff Report.docx](#)

[O-21-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)

[O-21-16 Bd of Supervisors of Elections Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

[O-21-16 Rules Proposed amendments.docx](#)

*City Clerk Watkins Eldridge and Acting City Attorney Elson were present and answered questions from the committee. Cliff Myers, Eileen Leahy, and Arnold Brown representing the Board of Supervisors of Elections gave a joint presentation of the board's proposed amendments and answered questions from the committee.*

**Alderman Finlayson moved to recommend with amendments the Board of Supervisor of Elections Proposed Amendments 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10 and 12 as written (see attached) and the Rules and City Government proposed amendments 1-4 as follows:**

**Amendment #1**

Page 2, line 22, after shall insert: "PROVIDE BY"

Page 2, line 22, after mail insert: "OTHER MEANS"

Page 2, line 22, after mail strike: "DELIVER"

Upon receipt of the application, the board shall PROVIDE BY mail OR DELIVER OTHER MEANS an absentee ballot to the voter entitled to the ballot.

**Amendment #2**

Page 4, line 4, strike: AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

**Amendment #3**

Page 5, line 26-33 un-strike: "paragraph D"

**Amendment #4**

Page 8, line 11, unstrike: "or cause to be published or distributed any" and insert: new language "BY ANY WRITTEN OR ELECTRONIC MEANS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO" following the last distribute"

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pindell Charles, Alderman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

**Alderman Finlayson moved to recommend favorably O-21-16 as amended. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderman Pindell Charles, Alderman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

[R-17-16](#)

Emergency Meeting Memorandum of Understanding - For the purpose of approving an Emergency Meeting Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Public Schools for use of certain County property in the event of an emergency.

**Attachments:** [R-17-16 MOU COA-AACO Public Schools Resolution.docx](#)  
[R-17-16 MOU COA-AACO Public Schools.pdf](#)  
[R-17-16 Staff Report.doc](#)

*Planner Donlan gave a presentation on the legislation and answered questions from the committee.*

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to recommend favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

[R-10-16](#) Position Classifications and Pay Plan - For the purpose of approving the FY 2017 position classification and pay plan effective July 1, 2016.

**Attachments:** [R-10-16 ClassificationPayPlanResolution.docx](#)  
[R-10-16 Classifications Pay Plan.pdf](#)  
[R-10-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)  
[R-10-16 PindellCharles Proposed Amendments.docx](#)  
[R-10-16 Littmann Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

*Acting City Attorney Elson was present and answered questions from the committee*

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to recommend favorably The Pindell Charles amendments 1-3 with clarifying legislation from the office of law. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to returned Littmann Amendment 1-4 without recommendation. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

[R-09-16](#) Public Safety Employee Funeral Representation - For the purpose of establishing a policy that upon the death of a retired or active duty public safety employee, a public safety representative shall attend the funeral of the employee with the consent of the legal authorized representative of the deceased employee's family.

**Attachments:** [R-9-16.docx](#)  
[R-9-16 Staff Report.docx](#)  
[R-9-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)  
[R-9-16 PSC Proposed Amendment.docx](#)  
[R-9-16 Rules Proposed Amendment.docx](#)

*Alderman Kirby gave a brief overview of the legislation and answered questions from the committee.*

**Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to recommend R-09-16 with the Rules and City Government amendment. Amendment # 1 Page 1, line 24, after**

representative strike: "shall" and insert: "should". **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

**Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to recommend favorably R-09-16 as amended. Seconded CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles and Alderwoman Finlayson

**Absent:** 1 - Alderman Arnett

[O-09-16](#)

Removing Members of Boards and Commissions - For the purpose of providing a formal process for the removal of appointed members of City boards and commissions for cause.

**Attachments:** [O-9-16 Removing Members of Boards and Commissions.docx](#)

[O-9-16 Staff Report.docx](#)

[O-9-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)

[O-9-16 MAB Recommendation.pdf](#)

[O-9-16 Rules Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

[O-9-16 Budge Arnett Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

[O-9-16 Littmann Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

*Alderman Budge was present gave an overview of the Littmann amendments and answered questions from the committee.*

**Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to recommend favorably the Littmann amendments #'s 2 and 3 (see attached). Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles and Alderwoman Finlayson

**Absent:** 1 - Alderman Arnett

**Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to recommend unfavorably the Littmann Amendment # 1. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles and Alderwoman Finlayson

**Absent:** 1 - Alderman Arnett

[R-01-16](#)

Comprehensive Maritime Review - For the purpose of conducting a comprehensive economic and zoning review of all maritime zones.

**Attachments:** [R-1-16 Comprehensive Maritime Review.docx](#)  
[R-1-16 Staff Report.doc](#)  
[R-1-16 MAB Recommendation.pdf](#)  
[R-1-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)  
[R-1-16 Memo from PZ to Planning Commission.pdf](#)  
[R-1-16 PC Findings.pdf](#)  
[R-1-16 Economic Matters Proposed Amendments.docx](#)  
[R-1-16 Rules Proposed Amendment.docx](#)

**Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to recommend R-01-16 with the following Rules and City Government Amendment # 1 Page 2, line 7, after “OF” strike: “MAY” and insert: “JULY” Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles and Alderwoman Finlayson

**Absent:** 1 - Alderman Arnett

**Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to recommend favorably with the Economic Matters and Rules and City Government amendment. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Aye:** 2 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles and Alderwoman Finlayson

**Nay:** 1 - Alderman Arnett

### 3. Adjournment

*12:28 p.m.*

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m.**

**Cyndi Gaines  
City Council Associate**