



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

Monday, June 12, 2023

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

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

Invocation

Given by Alderman Savidge.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Buckley.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderwoman Pindell Charles.

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. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Ceremonial Items

[ID-94-23](#) Commemoration of Immigration Heritage Month

This Ceremonial Item was presented.

[ID-103-23](#) Gun Violence Month Proclamation

This Informational Item was presented.

PETITIONS, REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

A. Update from the Mayor

Today is a sad day in Annapolis, in Maryland and in America. Yet again, our neighbors, members of our community, have been senselessly gunned down. This time during a birthday celebration.

Last night we lost three people, Christian Segovia, 25, and a father and son, Nicolas Mireles, 55, and Mario Mireles Ruiz, 27. Three more people are hospitalized. Thankfully, the wounded are expected to recover.

I would like for us to take time tonight to hold all six of these individuals and their families and friends, who have suffered unimaginable trauma, in our hearts with a moment of silence.

[moment of silence]

Annapolis isn't immune from the impacts of gun violence that plague America in urban, suburban and rural communities. As a Mayor, it leaves me both heartbroken and furious.

We have all the resources we could ask for from the county, state, and the federal government. We are taking full advantage of those supports. As of this morning, the suspect has been charged and is held without bond. None of that brings relief to the grief this has brought to Annapolis.

I thank Governor Wes Moore and our state delegation, County Executive Steuart Pittman and our county partners, as well as federal, state and local law enforcement.

June is Gun Violence Prevention Month. I thank the City's No Harm Team who are working with Mom's Demand Action and the Anne Arundel County Gun Violence Prevention Task Force, and all those in our community who are working for change. At a recent community meeting with all these groups, we proclaimed Gun Violence Prevention Month in Annapolis. Tonight we will do so again as part of our official City Council record. Though our hearts are broken by another senseless tragedy, we will not stop fighting and advocating for a different, less violent, more loving, and more peaceful society.

As a City, we can keep working to get illicit guns off the street. We can continue and expand our violence prevention efforts in partnership with the County. We can provide support and resources to communities in need. We can work with people to help them with mental health challenges.

What we can NOT do is make other states or the federal government legislate and enforce background checks, gun sales, and red flag laws. Without federal intervention in gun safety, we are only as safe as the state with the most permissive gun laws.

The suspect in this case is being held without bond. He is charged with multiple counts. I thank States Attorney Anne Colt Leitiss for her team's swift work in bringing charges.

Annapolis Police and partners will likely have more to say in the coming days and weeks as the investigation continues. I thank our police officers, EMT and other first responders who were at the scene so quickly last night.

This tragic event comes hard on the heels of the fifth commemoration of this City's first mass shooting at the Capital Gazette on June 28, 2018.

Later this month, the City will be hosting a remembrance and wreath-laying ceremony at the Guardians of the First Amendment Memorial on Compromise Street. We will commemorate and honor both victims and survivors of gun violence. The ceremony will commence at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 28. I hope you will join us for this solemn event.

If you need help to process all that has happened, please reach out for help. The Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency Crisis Response warmline is 410-798-5522. Again, that number is 410-798-5522. Please call.

==

It is hard to continue and focus on every day matters when we are dealing with grief and tragedy as a community but there are some other things I need to draw your attention to tonight. So please forgive me for switching gears a little to talk about some events coming up in the next week or so.

First up we have the grand reopening of the Hillman garage on Wednesday at 4 p.m. on the rooftop of the new garage. We'll have live music, VIPs, giveaways, refreshments and, best of all, free parking through Monday, June 19. Please come out to see the new garage and support our downtown businesses.

==

This weekend also brings Juneteenth celebrations to the city. On Friday night, there is a gala, which is sold out. On Saturday from 12 noon, the Juneteenth Parade will start at City Dock and follow a reverse parade route to Maryland Hall. After the parade, the Juneteenth Festival will be held at Bates Athletic Fields until 9:30 p.m. There is no charge to watch the parade or enter the festival.

===

Lastly, I would like to offer congratulations to all of our Class of 2023 graduates. My son, Dash, graduated over the weekend from Annapolis High School, but I know we have graduates from public and private schools and I wish these graduates all the success in whatever comes next in their lives. Well done!

==

Now let's get on with our meeting.

B. Reports by Committee

Standing Committee Dates:
Transportation Committee Regular Meetings
June 14, 2023, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

C. Comments by the General Public

Speakers:
Bill Kardash, 17 South Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
Susan Margolis, 113 Conduit Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
Tara Stout, 1118 August Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 2401.
David Morsberger, 1241 Village Lake Dr, Davidsonville, MD 21035.

Mayor Buckley declared Comments from the general public closed.

Appointments

[AP-9-23](#)

Jared Lerner - Port Wardens

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to confirm AP-9-23, AP-10-23, AP-11-23 and AP-13-23 as a group. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[AP-10-23](#)

Education Commission Appointment - Pamela Bukowski

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to confirm AP-9-23, AP-10-23, AP-11-23 and AP-13-23 as a group. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[AP-11-23](#)

Environmental Commission Re-Appointment - Jeremy Henson

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to confirm AP-9-23, AP-10-23, AP-11-23 and AP-13-23 as a group. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[AP-13-23](#)

Port Wardens Re-Appointment - Robert Shapiro

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to confirm AP-9-23, AP-10-23, AP-11-23 and AP-13-23 as a group. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Alderman Savidge to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

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

[CCM 5.8.23](#)

Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Alderman Savidge to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

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

[CCM 5.22.23](#)

Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Alderman Savidge to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

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

End of Consent Calendar

BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS[ID-92-23](#)

Towing License Application for JP Towing Service LLC

Alderman Savidge moved to approve ID-92-23. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[ID-111-23](#)

Towing License Application for Top Notch Towing and Transport, LLC

Alderman Savidge moved to approve ID-111-23. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Supplemental Appropriations over \$50,000[SA-30-23](#)

General - Mayor's Office - Contributions from Visitor Center and Anne Arundel County Arts Council \$67,100

Alderman Savidge moved to approve SA-30-23. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS**A. Public Hearing Continued**[O-14-23](#)

Annual Budget and Appropriation and Property Tax Levy - For the purpose of adopting the City Budget, comprising the Annual Operating Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the Capital Improvement Program for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2025, June 30, 2026, June 30, 2027, June 30, 2028, and June 30, 2029; appropriating funds for all expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024; levying and imposing a property tax for the use of the City of Annapolis for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024; and fixing the rate of the City property tax for the taxable year.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Mayor Buckley accepted into the record the Planning Commission Findings for O-14-23 Capital Improvement Plan FY2024 dated June 1, 2023

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on O-14-23 closed.

B. Public Hearings Under Regular Order[CA-2-23](#)

Management Information Technology office name change - For the purpose of changing the name of the City of Annapolis "Management Information Technology" (MIT) office to "Office of Integrated Technology Solutions" (OITS); and generally related to the City Manager's duties.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on CA-2-23 closed.

[O-18-23](#)

Management Information Technology office name change - For the purpose of changing the name of the City of Annapolis “Management Information Technology” (MIT) office to “Office of Integrated Technology Solutions” (OITS); and generally related to the Management Information Technology office.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on O-18-23 closed.

[O-21-23](#)

Landlord-Tenant Relations - Relocation Expenses - For the purpose of requiring a landlord to pay a tenant a relocation payment if the tenant’s housing is condemned as unfit for human habitation under certain circumstances; requiring a landlord to provide a tenant with a right of first refusal to re-occupy rental housing under certain circumstances; and generally related to landlord-tenant relations.

Sponsors: Gay

Speaker:

Chris Ledoux, 215 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on O-21-23 closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

A. First Readers

[R-34-23](#)

Payments in Lieu of Taxes Agreement with Forest Drive LIHTC, LLC - For the purpose of approving a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement between the City of Annapolis and Forest Drive LIHTC, LLC, for the construction of affordable housing units in Annapolis, Maryland.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley, Gay and Alderman Schandelmeier

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-34-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

B. Second Readers

Budget Resolutions

[R-21-23](#)

FY 2024 Fees Schedule - For the purpose of specifying fees that will be charged for the use of City services for Fiscal Year 2024; and providing an effective date.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-21-23 as amended 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

R-22-23

FY 2024 Fines Schedule - For the purpose of specifying fines that will be charged for Fiscal Year 2024; and providing an effective date.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-22-23 as amended 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

R-23-23

FY 2024 Position Classifications and Pay Plan - For the purpose of approving the Fiscal Year 2024 annual position classifications and pay plan; and specifying an effective date.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-23-23 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. Ordinances

O-14-23

Annual Budget and Appropriation and Property Tax Levy - For the purpose of adopting the City Budget, comprising the Annual Operating Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the Capital Improvement Program for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2025, June 30, 2026, June 30, 2027, June 30, 2028, and June 30, 2029; appropriating funds for all expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024; levying and imposing a property tax for the use of the City of Annapolis for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024; and fixing the rate of the City property tax for the taxable year.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Alderman Savidge moved to approve Amendment #52. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Savidge moved to adopt O-14-23 as amended on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Gay moved to adopt O-14-23 on third 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

[O-17-23](#)

Administration - Requiring the City Manager to Provide Staffing Impact Statements on Pending Legislation - For the purpose of requiring staffing reports on charter amendments, ordinances, and resolutions that include the impact of the legislation on staffing levels and duties; changing when staff reports regarding legislation must be submitted to the Council; making clarifying changes to the impacted subsections; and generally related to City Council procedure.

Sponsors: Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

City Manager Mallinoff and Finance Director Dickinson were present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Savidge moved to postpone O-17-23 until the second meeting in July. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett - Cosponsor Added.

[O-55-22](#)

Sediment Control Inspections Process, Fees, and Milestone Inspections - For the purpose of adding conditions for reinspection; creating milestone inspections; adjusting buildings and construction fees to pay for inspector positions; updating the format of these sections; and generally related to grading, erosion and sediment control inspections.

Sponsors: Savidge

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-55-22 on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Savidge moved to amend O-55-22 as follows: Amendment #1. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-55-22 as amended on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Nay: 1 - Alderwoman Tierney

Alderman Arnett - Cosponsor Added.

Alderman Gay - Cosponsor Added.

2.16.090(B) 90-DAY DISCHARGE FROM COMMITTEE

[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: Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Arnett and Savidge

Alderman Arnett moved to postpone O-49-22 on second reader for two meetings. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

3. Resolutions

[R-15-23](#)

Fees Schedule, Updated for Milestone Inspections in Ordinance 55-22 -

For the purpose of setting Milestone Inspection fees as adopted in O-55-22, Title 17 § 08.080(D).

Sponsors: Savidge

Alderman Gay moved to adopt R-15-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Nay: 1 - Alderwoman Tierney

[R-29-23](#)

Recognition of City of Annapolis Public Service Employees - For the purpose of expressing the sense of the City Council that the City's public service employees should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the City of Annapolis.

Sponsors: Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Tierney, Gay, Savidge, Alderman Schandelmeier and Finlayson

Alderman Gay moved to adopt R-29-23 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

The City Council - Cosponsor Added.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk