



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

Monday, March 13, 2023

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

Acting Chair Tierney called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Invocation

Given by Acting Chair Tierney.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Acting Chair Tierney.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderwoman O'Neill.

- Present:** 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelman, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett
- Absent:** 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

Approval of Agenda

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

- Aye:** 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelman, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett
- Absent:** 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

Ceremonial Items

Proclamation

[ID-28-23](#)

"Annapolis Reads" Proclamation for Literacy Month in March

This Ceremonial Item was presented.

PETITIONS, REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

A. Update from the Mayor

Ald. Eleanor Tierney (in the Chair)
Annapolis City Council
7 p.m. - 13 March 2023
City Council Chambers

Good evening everyone. Thank you for being here. Mayor Buckley is not here this evening due to an unavoidable conflict relating to City business.

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Earlier today, city, county and state leaders welcomed our federal Senators and Congressman to City Dock to announce an additional \$3.4 million in federal funding for resilience efforts in Annapolis.

I want to thank Sens. Cardin, Van Hollen and Representative Sarbanes for looking out for Annapolis. I'd also like to acknowledge State Sen. Sarah Elfreth and County Executive Steuart Pittman for their ongoing partnership and support.

We have about two dozen more miles of waterfront land in Annapolis. And while most of that land is privately held, we are taking our first steps to protect Annapolis residents and businesses and to be able to give Annapolis City another 300 years at the water's edge. With this work, we hope to maintain downtown Annapolis as both a destination and a beautiful place to live, work and play.

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This Wednesday, March 15th, City Hall will be closed for essential electrical upgrades. City staff will work virtually or from other City offices as designated by their supervisor. Please note that the Finance counter will be closed. Payments can be made online or put through the mail slot to the left of the front door at 160 Duke of Gloucester (checks and money orders only please, in a sealed envelope).

Calls to offices in City Hall will be forwarded to the appropriate departmental representatives.

No other City offices or facilities will be impacted by this one-time closure. We thank residents and staff for your understanding and patience

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Next Friday, March 24, all City offices and the Stanton Centre will be closed in recognition of Maryland Day. The Pip Moyer Recreation Center will be open; Annapolis Transit will operate on a regular weekday schedule, and trash and recycling pickups will occur on a regular schedule.

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Maryland Day festivities have been moved to March 31 to Apr 2 this year.

There will be free entry into area parks and historic sites and the skipjack Wilma Lee will be docked at City Dock for free deck tours.

For more information, visit www.MarylandDay.org for details.

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The Annapolis Film Festival is next weekend, starting on Thursday the 23rd at locations around Annapolis including Maryland Hall, Boys and Girls Club, Rams Head, The Graduate Hotel, Asbury United Methodist Church, and Annapolis Elementary. They've got a little something for everyone, from feature films to documentaries to shorts. These are ticketed events. Visit the film festival website for more information.

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Lastly, I want to thank everyone for participating in St. Patrick's Parade and downtown festivities. It looked like everyone had a good time. Please mark your calendars as we are now in parade season. Next up is the April 1st Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade and the African Diaspora event at City Dock.

This will be another great event to celebrate our community's diverse cultural heritage and our commitment to inclusion and equality. For more information simply Google "Annapolis MLK Parade".

We look forward to seeing you!

Now, let's get on with tonight's meeting.

B. Reports by Committee

Standing Committee Dates:

Finance Committee Regular Meeting

March 15, 2023, 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Economic Matters Committee Regular Meeting

March 15, 2023, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Housing & Human Welfare Committee Regular Meeting

March 20, 2023, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Alderwoman Finlayson presented the List of Grant Award Recipients:

Organization of Hispanic / Latin Americans, OHLA - Madison Street and Eastport Terrace community

Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity - Obery Court, College Creek Terrace

Annapolis Scholarship Trust - Annapolis Gardens

The Annapolis All Stars II - Woodside Gardens and Wilburn Estates

John Wesley UM Church - Bay Ridge Gardens

Charting Career, Inc - Obery Court, College Creek Terrace and Clay Street

OIC, Opportunity and Industrialization Center - Clay St., Obery Court and College Creek Terrace

Restoration Community Development - Robinwood

Street Angels - Clay Street

One Annapolis, Inc- Bywater

C. Comments by the General Public

Speaker List:

Paul Bollinger, 1109 Miami Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

Curtis D. Jones, 1400 Bretton View Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21409.

Christine Feldmann, 102 N. Linden Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Tara Stout, 1118 August Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

Michael Dye, 1315 Hawkins Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Acting Chair Tierney declared comments from the general public closed.

CONSENT CALENDAR**Approval of Journal of Proceedings****Approval of the Consent Calendar**

A motion was made by Alderman Schandelmeier 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

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A motion was made by Alderman Schandelmeier 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

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Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Alderman Schandelmeier 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**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

[CA-1-23](#)

Finances - Third Party Indebtedness and Bonds - For the purpose of allowing the City of Annapolis to issue Third Party bonds; and generally related to City bond authority.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Acting Chair Tierney declared the public hearing on CA-1-23 closed.

[O-6-23](#) **City of Annapolis Cellular Antenna Lease with New Cingular Wireless** - For the purpose of updating and extending the City's lease with New Cingular Wireless for a cellular antenna on top of the City water tower on Janwall Street.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley and Alderman Schandelmeier

Acting Chair Tierney declared the public hearing on O-6-23 closed.

[O-9-23](#) **Adequate Public Facilities - Mitigation of Police Protection Level Certification Requirements** - For the purpose of adding a mitigation section for the Adequate Police Protection criteria and certification criteria set in Chapter § 22.14; and generally related to Review Criteria and Certification for Adequate Police Protection under Adequate Public Facilities in Title 22.

Sponsors: Savidge, Gay and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

Acting Chair Tierney declared the public hearing on O-9-23 closed.

[R-8-23](#) **Annual Statement of Performance Standards** - For the purpose of approving the annual performance statements filed by City agencies and departments.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Acting Chair Tierney declared the public hearing on R-8-23 closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

A. First Readers

[O-10-23](#) **Allowing Cigar Lounges to Serve Alcoholic Beverages** - For the purpose of creating a definition of Cigar Lounge as a unique category of Tobacco Shop; and allowing cigar lounges to serve alcoholic beverages in conjunction with the consumption of premium cigars, pipe tobacco, and related products; and generally related to tobacco shops.

Sponsors: Alderwoman Tierney, Mayor Buckley and Alderman Schandelmeier

Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to adopt O-10-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Acting Chair Tierney referred O-10-23 to the Economic Matters Committee.

Acting Chair Tierney referred O-10-23 to the Rules & City Government Committee.

Acting Chair Tierney referred O-10-23 to the Planning Commission.

[R-13-23](#) **Third-Party Bond Fees** - For the purpose of setting the City of Annapolis fees regarding bonds issued by the City on behalf of a third party by the adoption of CA-1-23; and generally related to bond issuance.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Alderman O'Neill moved to adopt R-13-23 on first reader. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Acting Chair Tierney referred R-13-23 to the Finance Committee.

[R-15-23](#)

Fees Schedule Updated for Milestone Inspections 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 Arnett moved to adopt R-15-23 on first reader. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Acting Chair Tierney referred R-15-23 to the Finance Committee.

Chair Tierney referred R-15-23 to the Environmental Matters Committee.

[R-16-23](#)

Filing of Grant Application with the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Transit Administration (MDOT MTA) - For the purpose of authorizing the Annapolis Transportation Department to file an application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for a Section 5303, 5304, 5307, 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316 and/or 5317 grant(s) under the Federal Transit Act for a total amount of **\$4,417,941**, consisting of \$2,540,064 for fixed route transit operations; \$156,627 for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit services; \$720,000 for the purchase of two small battery electric buses (replacement), \$470,250 for equipment repairs and maintenance; \$76,500 for the purchase of one set of mobile lifts, \$360,000 for roof replacement, and \$94,500 technical assistance grant for Transit Development Plan.

Sponsors: Alderman O'Neill and Alderman Tierney

Alderman Pindell Charles moved to adopt R-16-23 on first reader. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Transportation Director Moore and Deputy Transportation Director Agyemang-Duah were present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Arnett moved to suspend the rules to allow the passage of the resolution at the meeting of its introduction. **Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

Aye: 7 - Alderman Tierney, Alderman O'Neill, Alderman Pindell Charles, Alderman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

Director of Transportation Moore and Deputy Director Agyemang-Duah, were present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-16-23 on second reader. **Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

Aye: 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

[R-17-23](#)

Support for Anne Arundel County Food Bank's Supplemental State Funding

Request - For the purpose of supporting a request by the Anne Arundel County Food Bank for an additional \$1,375,130.00 in state funding to purchase food, support salaries of warehouse workers and drivers, and buy a new refrigerated truck.

Sponsors: Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Tierney and Alderman Arnett

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-17-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderwoman Pindell Charles moved to suspend the rules to allow the passage of the resolution at the meeting of its introduction. . A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-17-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

Alderman Arnett - Cosponsor Added.

Alderwoman Pindell Charles - Cosponsor Added.

[R-18-23](#)

Non-Profit Vendors During Fall 2023 Boat Shows - For the purpose of authorizing sales by certain vendors in the City Dock area of the Historic District during the Fall 2023 U.S. Sailboat and Powerboat Shows.

Sponsors: Alderwoman Tierney

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-18-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[R-19-23](#)

2023 Annapolis Pride Parade and Festival - Waiver of Fees - For the purpose of identifying the Annapolis Pride Parade and Festival as a City-supported event to be held on June 3, 2023; and waiving certain related City fees for that event.

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

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-19-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Schandelmeier - Cosponsor Added.

City Council - Cosponsor Added.

Acting Chair Tierney referred to the Finance Committee.

B. Second Readers

[R-4-23](#)

Skipjack Wilma Lee - Docking Fee Waiver - For the purpose of waiving the fees for docking the Chesapeake Bay skipjack, *Wilma Lee*, at the Annapolis City Dock March 31-April 2, 2023, in celebration of “Maryland Day.”

Sponsors: Alderman Arnett

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-4-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

[R-12-23](#)

Itinerant Merchant Sales in the Historic District - 2023 - For the purpose of authorizing hawker, peddler, and itinerant merchant sales in the Historic District in conjunction with certain special events during calendar year 2023.

Sponsors: Alderwoman Tierney

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-12-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

[R-6-23](#)

Director of Recreation and Parks - Roslyn Johnson - For the purpose of expressly confirming the appointment of Roslyn Johnson as the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks; and consenting to compensate the Director.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-6-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Nay: 1 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Gay

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk