

City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401*



Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

6:30 PM

Regular Meeting

**Mayor John T. Chambers Jr.,
City Council Chambers**

Economic Matters Committee

Call To Order

Alderman Schandelmeier called the regular meeting at 6:36 pm.

Roll Call

Present: 2 - Alderman Schandelmeier and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 1 - Alderman Gay

Approval of Agenda (any changes to the agenda should be made here)

Alderman Savidge moved to adopt the Regular Meeting agenda as amended to move O-32-24 to the top. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Business and Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

[EMC](#) Regular Meeting Minutes
[12.18.24](#)

Attachments: [EMC 12.18.24](#)

Alderman Savidge moved to approve EMC 12.18.24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Legislation

[O-32-24](#)

Fire Sprinkler System Requirement Clarification - For the purpose of clarifying that the fire sprinkler systems requirements of § 17.20.120(A) and when the requirement goes into effect; updating subsections B through D to comply with current national standards; reformatting the section; and generally dealing with City fire sprinkler requirements.

Attachments:

[O-32-24 First Reader](#)

[O-32-24 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-32-24 Staffing Impact Report](#)

[O-32-24 Staff Report revised](#)

[O-32-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-32-24 Amendment 1 - Finlayson \(Rules & City Government Committee\)](#)

[O-32-24 Amendment 2 - Schandelmeier \(Economic Matters Committee\)](#)

[O-32-24 Signed \(color\)](#)

[O-32-24 Signed \(b&w\)](#)

Fire Marshall Captain Zapata and Fire Protection Engineer Ruth was present to answer questions from the committee.

Amendment #1 - No action taken.

Amendment #2 -

On page 2, in line 30, strike 2027 and after "February 28"; insert "2032".

Alderman Savidge moved to recommend Amendment #1 favorably. Seconded.

CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Savidge moved to recommend O-32-24 favorably as amended.

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-10-24](#)

Outdoor Dining Requirements in Annapolis - For the purpose of codifying and consolidating the City's outdoor dining programs; defining outdoor dining and its different types; requiring permits for outdoor dining; setting common standards for outdoor dining; creating a fund for outdoor dining permit fees to be used for alternative transportation options when restaurants use their parking lot for outdoor dining; making technical corrections to the various code sections to conform with the outdoor dining section; and generally dealing with restaurant standards for outdoor dining.

Sponsors: Arnett, Savidge and O'Neill

Attachments: [O-10-24 First Reader](#)
[O-10-24 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-10-24 Fiscal Impact Report](#)
[O-10-24 Staffing Impact Report & Staff Report](#)
[O-10-24 Planning Commission Report](#)
[O-10-24 Public Notice of Hearing](#)
[O-10-24 Capital Gazette Affidavit of Public Hearing Notice](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 1 - Arnett \(Sponsor's Amendment\)](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 2 - Savidge](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 2A - Huntley \(Finance Cmte. Amdt. to Amdt 2\)](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 3 - O'Neill](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 3A - Huntley \(Finance Cmte. Amdt. to Amdt. 2\)](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 4 - O'Neill](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 5 - Huntley](#)
[O-10-24 Amendment 6 - Savidge](#)

Alderman Arnett and Legislative & Policy Analyst were present to answer questions from the committee.

Guest Speakers:
Mike Tomasini
212 Eastern Avenue
Annapolis MD, 21401

Richard Franyo
29 Eastern Ave
Annapolis MD, 21401

Amendment #1 - Alderman Savidge moved to postpone. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Amendment #2 - Alderman Savidge moved to recommend Amendment #2 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Amendment #3 - No action taken. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Savidge moved to postpone O-10-24 until the next meeting March 19th, 2025. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-23-24](#)

Parking and Towing Regulations - For the purpose of eliminating the requirement that towing companies be within one mile of the City; allowing City contractors to oversee towing; and generally updating parking and towing regulations in Titles 7 and 12.

Sponsors: Schandelmeier, Pindell Charles and Huntley

Attachments: [O-23-24 First Reader](#)
[O-23-24 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-23-24 Staffing Impact Report](#)
[O-23-24 Staff Report revised](#)
[O-23-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-23-24 Amendment 1 - O'Neill](#)

Alderman Savidge moved to recommend O-23-24 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

General Discussion

[ID-23-25](#)

Economic Development Update

Attachments: [Economic Matters Office of Economic Development December 2024 Report](#)
[Economic Matters Office of Economic Development February 2025 Report](#)
[Economic Matters Office of Economic Development March 2025 Report](#)

[ID-47-25](#)

Annapolis Disparity Study Update

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Kalyn Jackson
City Council Associate

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