

# City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401*



## **Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Final**

**Friday, January 3, 2025**

**1:00 PM**

**Regular Meeting - VIRTUAL**

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

**Rules & City Government Committee**

Call To Order

**Alderwoman Finlayson called the Regular Meeting to order at 1:04 pm.**

Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Schandelmeier

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

**Alderman Arnett moved to approve the Regular Meeting agenda. Seconded.  
CARRIED on voice vote.**

### **Business and Miscellaneous**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

[RCG 12.6.24](#) Regular Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [RCG 12.6.24](#)

**Alderman Arnett moved to approve RCG 12.6.24. Seconded. CARRIED on  
voice vote.**

### **Legislation**

[O-29-24](#)

**Fence Permit Requirements Related to Buildings and Construction Standards in Title 17**

- For the purpose of requiring a completed application and permit issued before removing fences of a certain size; requiring plans to show the location of trees of a certain size; and clarifies when a stop-work order will be issued; reformatting these sections to current Code style; and generally related for fence requirements in Title 17.

**Sponsors:** Savidge and Arnett

**Attachments:** [O-29-24 First Reader](#)

[O-29-24 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Staff Report](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Staff Report UPDATED](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Staffing Impact Report](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Fiscal Impact Report](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 1 - Savidge](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 2 - Savidge](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 3 - Finlayson \(Rules Cmte.\)](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 4 - Savidge](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 5 - Savidge](#)

Alderman Savidge, Alderman Gay, Planning & Zoning Director Jakubiak and Senior Land Use & Development Planner Meekins were present to answer questions to the committee.

Alderman Arnett requested to be added as a sponsor.

**Rules Amendment #1 - Page 2 Line 18 -**

**Strike "over 400ft in length shall be removed or demolished"**

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Rule Amendment #1 favorably.**

**Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Rules Amendment #2 - Page 3 Line 1 -**

**Strike "Over five inches"**

**Insert "within 3 feet"**

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Rule Amendment #2 favorably.**

**Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Savidge Amendment #1 - Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Savidge Amendment #1 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Savidge Amendment #2 - Insert as d. On page 2. Line 27.**

**Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Savidge Amendment #2 favorably.**

**Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**The committee requested "staff impact note" and "fiscal impact note" be attached by next meeting.**

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to postpone O-29-24 until the next meeting February 7th, 2025.. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-35-24](#)

**Fair Cannabis Employment Practices-** For the purpose of updating the City of Annapolis employment policy as a result of the State legalizing cannabis use and possession on July 1, 2023, and generally related to city employment policy.

**Sponsors:** Savidge, Gay, Huntley, O'Neill, Arnett and Finlayson

**Attachments:** [O-35-24 First Reader](#)

[O-35-24 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-35-24 Sponsor's Report](#)

[O-35-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-35-24 Staff Report](#)

[O-35-24 Amendment 1 - Buckley](#)

[O-35-24 Signed \(color\)](#)

[O-35-24 Signed \(b&w\)](#)

Alderman Savidge, Alderman Gay, Human Resources Manager Hopkins and Policy & Legislative Analyst Reuter were present to answer questions from the committee.

**Guest Speaker:**  
Paul Armentano  
Fredrick MD

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend O-35-24 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[R-53-24](#)

**FY 2025 Changes to Executive Pay Ranges -** For the purpose of updating the Fiscal Year 2025 annual position classifications and grades; and specifying an effective date.

**Sponsors:** Buckley

**Attachments:** [R-53-24 First Reader](#)

[R-53-24 Staffing Impact & Staff Reports](#)

[R-53-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to postpone R-53-24 until next meeting February 7th, 2025. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[R-54-24](#)

**FY 2025 Changes in the Position Classifications and Pay Plan** - For the purpose of updating the Fiscal Year 2025 annual position classifications and grades; and specifying an effective date.

**Sponsors:** Buckley

**Attachments:** [R-54-24 First Reader](#)

[R-54-24 Staffing Impact Report & Staff Report with table](#)

[R-54-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 1 - Savidge](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 2 - Huntley](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 3 - Savidge](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 4 - Buckley](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 5 - O'Neill](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 6 - O'Neill](#)

[R-54-24 Amendment 7 - Finlayson \(Rules Cmte.\)](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to postpone R-54-24 until next meeting February 7th, 2025.. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

**General Discussion**

[ID-173-24](#)

Comprehensive Rezoning Discussion

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to postpone ID-173-24 until next meeting February 7th, 2025. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Kalyn Jackson  
City Council Associate

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