

City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401*



Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, June 13, 2024

3:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.

City Council Chambers

Environmental Matters Committee

Call To Order

Alderman Savidge called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:07 pm.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Alderman Savidge, Alderman Arnett and Alderwoman Finlayson

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

**Alderwoman Finlayson moved to approve the Regular Meeting agenda.
Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Business and Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

[ENV 5.9.24](#) Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [ENV 5.9.24](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to approve ENV 5.9.24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

General Discussion

[ID-106-24](#) Tree Canopy Goal Discussion

Attachments: [Tree Planting Budget](#)

Urban Fosterer Adams and Deputy City Manager Guild were present to answer questions from the committee.

Legislation

[O-5-24](#)

Health and Safety - City of Annapolis Plastic Bag Reduction Act - For the purpose of prohibiting the retail distribution of plastic bags in the City, with some exceptions; defining certain terms; establishing the duties of certain retail establishments; providing for the enforcement of the prohibition on plastic bags; allowing retail establishments to distribute paper and reusable bags at no cost during certain times of the year; requiring public notice of the requirements; and generally relating to public safety.

Sponsors: Savidge, Schandelmeier and Arnett

Attachments: [O-5-24 First Reader](#)

[O-5-24 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-5-24 & R-14-24 Staff Report updated](#)

[O-5-24 & R-14-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-5-24 & R-14-24 Plastic Bag Ban Memorandum](#)

[O-5-24 Amendment 1 - Ald. Gay](#)

[MARYLAND RETAILERS ALLIANCE - Written Testimony](#)

[O-5-24 Maritime Advisory Board Referral Action Report](#)

Deputy City Manager Guild and Legislative & Policy Analyst Reuter were present to answer questions from the committee.

Amendment #1- On page 2, strike lines 24 and 25, and renumber subsection B accordingly. B. Requirements.

**Alderman Finlayson moved to recommend Amendment #1 favorably.
Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

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

Guest Speaker:

Bernie Robinson

8113 Woodbine Court, Glenn Burnie MD

**Alderman Arnett moved to postpone O-5-24 until the next meeting July 11th, 2024.
Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

[R-14-24](#) **City of Annapolis Plastic Bag Reduction Act Fines** - For the purpose of establishing fines required by the adoption of Ordinance 5-24, Health and Safety - City of Annapolis Plastic Bag Reduction Act.

Sponsors: Savidge

Attachments: [R-14-24 First Reader](#)
[O-5-24 & R-14-24 Staff Report](#)
[O-5-24 & R-14-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-5-24 & R-14-24 Plastic Bag Ban Memorandum](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend R-14-24 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 5:01 pm.

Kalyn Jackson
City Council Associate

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