

City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401*



Standing Committee Minutes

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

4:00 PM

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

Rules & City Government Committee

1. Call To Order

Chairman Arnett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 2 - Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 1 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles

2. Business before Committee

a. Approval of Minutes

[RCG051016](#) Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting

Attachments: [RCG05.10.16.pdf](#)

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to approve. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Aye: 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

b. Appointments and reappointments to Committees

[AP-12-16](#) The Appointment of Charles F. Martorana to the Board of Appeals

Attachments: [AP-12-16 Appointment Letter/ Resume](#)

[AP-12-16signed](#)

Charles Martorana, 300 C Hilltop Lane, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 was present and addressed the committee regarding his appointment to the Board of Appeals and answered questions from the committee.

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to recommend favorably. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Aye: 3 - Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

3. Legislation before Committee

[O-21-16](#) Title 4 - Elections - For the purpose of amending and updating Chapters 4.28 and 4.44 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning absentee voting and fair election practices; and matters generally relating to absentee voting and fair election practices.

Attachments: [O-21-16 Election Code Ordinance.docx](#)

[O-21-16 Staff Report.docx](#)

[O-21-16 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)

[O-21-16 Bd of Supervisors of Elections Proposed Amendments.docx](#)

Alderman Finlayson moved to recommend favorably the Rules and City Government Amendment #1

Page 2, line 22, after shall insert: "PROVIDE BY"

Page 2, line 22, after mail insert: "OTHER MEANS"

Page 2, line 22, after mail strike: "DELIVER"

Upon receipt of the application, the board shall PROVIDE BY mail OR DELIVER OTHER MEANS an absentee ballot to the voter entitled to the ballot. .Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Aye: 2 - Alderman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 1 - Alderman Pindell Charles

City Clerk Watkins-Eldridge, Cliff Myers, and Eileen Leahy representing the Board of Supervisor of Elections were present and spoke on legislation and answered questions from the committee. Acting City Attorney Elson was also present and answered questions from the committee.

Meeting went into Recess at 4:35 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 4:45 p.m. and was postponed due to a lack of quorum.

Alderman Arnett moved to postpone consideration of O-21-16 due to a lack of a quorum. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Present: 2 - Alderman Finlayson and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 1 - Alderman Pindell Charles

4. Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.