



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Special Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Special Meeting

Call to Order

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles called the Special Meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Invocation

Given by Acting Mayor Pindell Charles.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Acting Mayor Pindell Charles.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderman Gay.

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Savidge moved to **APPROVE** the **AGENDA** as amended to **ADD** a **City Council Citation to Allison Colden**. **Seconded**. A roll call vote was taken. The motion **CARRIED** by the following vote:

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

Out of Room: 1 - Alderman Gay

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

Ceremonial Items

[ID-134-23](#)

Annapolis Police Department presents annual Gone Fishing Awards

This Ceremonial Item was presented.

City Council Citation to Allison Colden

Presented.

PETITIONS, REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS**A. Update from the Mayor**

Acting Mayor Rhonda Pindell Charles, City Council Remarks
7 p.m. - 26 September 2023

Good evening. I'm acting Mayor Rhonda Pindell Charles. Mayor Buckley and City Manager Mike Mallinoff are away on City business this evening - on a resiliency planning exchange with the County and the Resilience Finance Authority.

I want to begin tonight by talking about the shooting that happened Sunday in Harbour House. One of our City staffers was caught in the crossfire right outside her home. She's at the hospital and getting the care she needs. Thankfully, she is going to be OK.

That City staffer is a professional woman who has worked in the City in various capacities. Her colleagues in the City are all praying for a speedy recovery. To the victim, her family, and coworkers in the City, we know how painful this is. Please use City resources that are there for you to help you process this trauma. The Employee Assistance Program is free and available through our Human Resources Department.

I would like to thank Annapolis Police for their quick response to the shooting - they were in the neighborhood at the time. I would also like to acknowledge the heroic efforts of Annapolis Fire and EMS who applied a tourniquet and got her quickly to the hospital. They saved her life.

I want every resident of Annapolis to know that our Police have good leads on this case. They will find the person responsible and they will be held to account - just as arrests have been made in nearly every contact shooting this year.

But we know from Sunday night's events that police presence and catching criminals is not enough. Shootings and incidents of gun fire continue. It is frightening for neighbors and a vexing problem.

We are working to find solutions. Under Chief Jackson, APD works more closely than ever with federal and regional law enforcement. We share intelligence to track concerning activity - leading to a number of recent drug and weapons seizures.

Unfortunately, easy access to guns and increasing gun violence is not isolated to Annapolis. It is a problem across America. Gun violence in our nation has increased by 40 percent in the last ten years.

Annapolis Police might take two dozen illegal guns off the street tonight and a week from now more guns come in to take their place. We can solve the micro problem by removing guns and arresting offenders. But Annapolis is not immune to the larger problems experienced across our nation.

According to Trace, a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization that tracks gun violence, Americans purchased nearly 60 million guns between 2020 and 2022. Yearly gun sales are running at roughly twice the level of 15 or 20 years ago. There are more guns in homes than ever before.

According to a recent report by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and

Explosives, 54 percent of guns used in crimes and recovered by law enforcement were originally purchased legally.

None of this takes away our responsibility to act locally and do the work required to keep our community safe. But real solutions will only be possible if we look at the full context. Our police department has a stellar track record of catching shooters and working the cases so that prosecutors can successfully try them in court. But we can't solve the more general issue because we aren't responsible for multi-state gun trafficking.

We may have solved the local problem by arresting a shooter, but we haven't solved the broader problem of an untenable rate of incarceration and the devastation that brings to families and communities - and the way that devastation feeds cycles of trauma, family breakdown and crime.

As Public Safety Chair, I have recently attended town hall and community listening sessions to better understand the drivers of violence in communities and find grassroots solutions.

We have visited Newtowne Drive, Robinwood, Clay Street/People's Park, Bywater, Eastport Terrace/Harbour House and held sessions at Asbury United Methodist Church and Eastport Library.

We will continue to learn from you at future community listening sessions and work to implement solutions that have been brought to us.

We know that preventing crime will take a multi-pronged and collaborative effort. We have asked for our state legislative partners to come to the table to help us with resources and funding.

The APD has worked hard under Chief Jackson to implement a true community policing model. This includes an outstanding re-entry program to help people develop knowledge and skills that can lead away from crime to employment and a better future.

The Annapolis Police Community Outreach office provides numerous programs to support children and teens including:

Chess club

Boxing

Shop with a cop

Food donation and delivery during the holidays

Camps including fishing, forensics, and sailing

Field trips to Historically Black Colleges and Universities in our area including Howard, Morgan State and Coppin State

Field trips to fun places like Washington Wizards games, or with the Office of Emergency Management, Patriot Point.

Our Office of Community Services employs a full-time clinical social worker and community support specialists who help families with everything from rental assistance, school and academic supports, connections to daycare services and job opportunities, access to health care, including mental health, behavioral health and emotional support services.

Within the Mayor's Office, we have two full time programs - one to help with substance use disorder, our NAM program, and one is a violence interruption program, No Harm. The No Harm team has also partnered with the County Health

Department to bring Cure Violence to Annapolis. This is a violence interruption program that will be implemented in Eastport Terrace and Harbor House.

The Mayor and Schools Superintendent, Dr. Bedell, recently convened a roundtable discussion to advance public safety, mentorship and initiatives aimed at helping young people navigate our challenging times. This will be an ongoing dialogue because our youth are the future of our community.

We have spent the past two years collaborating with HACA and the community on Choice Neighborhoods to come up with a plan to redevelop Eastport Terrace and Harbour House into mixed income, mixed use neighborhoods with a specific aim toward integrating public safety into the design.

We have our MPDU program, which offers affordable housing opportunities when a new development is considered. We currently have units available right now at Parkside Preserve.

We offer community grants and distribute HUD's community development block grants.

We are working on local solutions to solve the multiple problems that all contribute to a climate of despair and hopelessness.

Where do we go from here? We need your help too. To use a maritime analogy, if you want to move the ship forward, we have all got to row in the same direction. We are looking for constructive solutions.

Nobody wants this violence in our community. We will continue our work to get ahead of it and we ask for your help to make all our communities safer.

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I regret to report that two people with close ties to the City have passed away in the last week.

Sharon Cyrus was a longtime Executive Assistant in Annapolis. She served seven police chiefs and three mayors, a total of 45 years of public service to the residents of the City of Annapolis!

In addition, our longtime official Recreation and Parks photographer, Luke Thompson, passed away unexpectedly last week. If you've ever seen the Recreation and Parks catalog, or any of the photos of the cute kids at camp, you've seen Luke's work.

I'd like for us to first watch a quick video of some of Luke's work and then we will take a moment of silence to honor both Luke and Sharon, may their families take comfort in their memory.

[moment of silence]

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This past weekend, we had a showcase of the number one reason why the City Dock project has become an urgent concern: flooding. Floodwaters lapped at the doors of downtown businesses during high tides in this storm event.

Tropical Storm Ophelia did NOT do much damage by way of winds or power outages, but there was a lot of flooding in low-lying areas.

Last Wednesday, we held a meeting with the City Dock Action Committee to review the most recent plans for future resiliency work at City Dock.

We continue work with our partners to make adjustments. We want to thank everyone for their input and energy as we move this project forward, especially members of the City Dock Action Committee, elected officials, Historic Annapolis, the United States Naval Academy and concerned residents and businesses. We value your input.

We want to specifically give a shout out to our state and federal partners who have pledged funding, specifically Senator Sarah Elfreth and Delegates Shaneka Henson and Dana Jones. Thank you to our state delegation for your work to help us bring in \$15 million in state funding - so far!

The weekend flooding also had an impact on an annual festival that was unfortunately canceled due to the weather. I am pleased to report to you tonight that the Kunta Kinte Festival has been rescheduled for October 28 at the same location. Make your plans today to attend this amazing event.

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Starting October 7, the City will launch the Eastport Electric Trolley. It will run on Saturdays and Sundays. It's free and you just flag it down along the route. This pilot will run until June 30 of next year when we will evaluate the results of the pilot. If you want to keep the trolley, please make sure you use it!

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The Department of Planning and Zoning received a quarter of a million dollar grant for the Bay Ridge Bikeways path that will run from downtown to Quiet Waters along Bay Ridge Avenue. This is design grant and follows a very successful feasibility study - also grant funded - to make sure that the component pieces of the bikeway will be safe and accessible. We will continue our work to connect City bike paths and pedestrian greenways to align with the 2011 Bicycle Master Plan. This brings the total in bikeways grants to nearly \$6 million!

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We are in the middle of Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs from September 15 to October 15 each year. I'd like to draw your attention to a couple of events that highlight the contributions of our Hispanic and Latino friends and neighbors.

First is the Latino Art Gallery in City Hall. Take time to admire some of the work of talented artists in our community. It is open during regular business hours here at City Hall, 160 Duke of Gloucester.

On Main Street we have the flags of Hispanic countries and we will again have the Day of the Dead festival at Maryland Hall from 3 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 28.

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On October 8, come out for Faith and Blue, an opportunity for police and clergy to come together to facilitate safer and stronger communities. This will be held from noon to 5 p.m. at People's Park. It's free and we hope to see you there!

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A few final notes on dates:

Tomorrow and Saturday are the last nights of the season for Dinner Under the Stars. On Thursday, we've got Green Drinks and an Electric Car showcase at Market House by Annapolis Green.

Annapolis Maritime Museum launches their fall concert series Thursday with a show at their Edgewood Road campus. Bring a blanket or beach chair for seating. Lastly, coming up this weekend is the start of the Annapolis Symphony Orchestra's 62nd season with shows on both Friday and Saturday nights. Tickets are available online or at the Maryland Hall box office.

Now let's get on with our meeting.

B. Reports by Committee

Reports by committee dates thru 10/9/23 - Standing Committees:

C. Comments by the General Public

Comments from the General Public - Speakers:

Gerard Ferri, 96 Silopanna Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 Margaret Malewski, 394 Jefferson Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 Ed Hartman, 116 Defense Highway, Suite 300, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
 Kristy Unruh, 1601 Monroe Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 C.W. Yarrow, 102 Roosevelt Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 Wendy Hallett, 311 Chesapeake Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 Christopher Sterritt, 1018 Boucher Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 Jessica Pachler, 506 President Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 Art Holt, 8 Fisk Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
 Brian Frasher, 133 S. Homeland Avenue,, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
 George Butler, 217 Bloomsbury Square, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles declared comments from the general public closed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Appointments

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

[AP-24-23](#) **Transportation Board - Hugh Hayes**

Attachments: [AP-24-23 \(2\)](#)

Alderman Brooks Schandelmeier moved to confirm. Seconded.The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-25-23](#) **Transportation Board - Vince Harriman**

Attachments: [AP-25-23 \(2\)](#)

Alderman Brooks Schandelmeier moved to confirm. Seconded. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-26-23](#) **Transportation Board - Charles Brooks**

Attachments: [AP-26-23 \(2\)](#)

Alderman Brooks Schandelmeier moved to confirm. Seconded. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-27-23](#) **Human Relations Commission - Ida Mae Sims**

Attachments: [AP-27-23](#)

Alderman Brooks Schandelmeier moved to confirm. Seconded. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-28-23](#) **Human Relations Commission - Charles Hurley**

Attachments: [AP-28-23](#)

Alderman Brooks Schandelmeier moved to confirm. Seconded. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-29-23](#) **Human Relations Commission - Michael J. Keller**

Attachments: [AP-29-23](#)

Alderman Brooks Schandelmeier moved to confirm. Seconded. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Supplemental Appropriations under \$50,000

[SA-5-24](#) **Grant - Planning & Zoning - Maryland Historical Trust**

Attachments: [SA-5-24](#)

**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

[O-25-23](#) **Exception to Allow Public Kayak Rack Pilot Program - For the purpose of creating a City of Annapolis pilot program to allow a public kayak rack in a street-end city park located on the City's waterfront; changing Title 15 of the City Code to allow the pilot project; and generally dealing with the City's waterfront parks.**

Sponsors: Tierney and Savidge

Attachments: [O-25-23 First Reader](#)
[O-25-23 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-25-23 & R-47-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-25-23 Staff Report](#)

O-25-23 - Speakers:

**Craig Harrison, 264 King George Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
Jessica Pachler, 506 President Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.**

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles declared the public hearing on O-25-23 closed.

[O-28-23](#) **City Noise Prohibitions and Enforcement - For the purpose of updating the Annapolis City Code noise prohibition section by adding a ban on certain noise in residential areas; expanding enforcement; and generally related to noise prohibitions.**

Sponsors: Tierney, Savidge and O'Neill

Attachments: [O-28-23 First Reader](#)
[O-28-23 Amendment 1 - O'Neill](#)
[O-28-23 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-28-23 & R-51-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

O-28-23 - Speakers:

Christopher Ledoux, 215 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Finance Director Dickinson was present and answered questions from the council.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles declared the public hearing on O-28-23 closed.

[O-32-23](#) **Short-term Rental Licenses and Regulations - For the purpose of clarifying and limiting local eligibility requirements for a short-term rental operator's license; providing definitions; making technical corrections; and generally relating to a rental operator's license.**

Sponsors: Savidge, Arnett and O'Neill

Attachments: [O-32-23 First Reader](#)

[O-32-23 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-32-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-32-23 Amendment 1 - O'Neill](#)

[O-32-23 Amendment 2 - O'Neill](#)

[O-32-23 Amendment 3 - Savidge](#)

O-32-23 -Speakers:

David Weymer, 15 Franklin Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Tim Tower, 8 Taney Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Erkin Hernandez, 19 Bristol Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Art Holt, 8 Fisk Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Wendy Allen, 311 Chesapeake Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

C. Chris Ledoux, 215 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

Susan Margoles, 113 Conduit Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles declared the public hearing on O-32-23 closed.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

A. First Reader

Ordinances

[O-27-23](#) **City of Annapolis Electrical Code Update - For the purpose of updating the City of Annapolis electrical code to current National Electric Code standards as published by the National Fire Protection Association, 2020 Edition, and the National Electrical Safety Code, 2023 Edition; and generally related to the city's electrical code.**

Sponsors: Schandelmeier and Tierney

Attachments: [O-27-23 First Reader](#)

[O-27-23 Staff Report](#)

[O-27-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt O-27-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles referred O-27-23 to the Economic Matters Committee.

[O-29-23](#) **Food Truck Parking and Mobile Food Service in the City of Annapolis -**

For the purpose of allowing mobile food service vendors, also called "food trucks," to park for food service outside the historic district on private, non-residential property and public property if they have the property owner's permission; requiring food trucks to limit noise, pick up trash and not block public accessways; general copyediting of the code section; and generally related to mobile food service vendor requirements.

Sponsors: Schandelmeier and Gay

Attachments: [O-29-23 First Reader](#)
[O-29-23 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-29-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt O-29-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles referred O-29-23 to the Economic Matters Committee.

[O-33-23](#)

Expiration of Special Exceptions to City Zoning Requirements - For the purpose of making the deadline for builders to utilize their special exception to City zoning requirements from one year to two years; making the issuance of a grading or building permit as the point when the special exception is "established"; adds requirements on when special exceptions expire; and generally related to the expiration of special exceptions.

Attachments: [O-33-23 - First Reader](#)
[O-33-23 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-33-23 Staff Report](#)
[O-27-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt O-33-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles referred O-33-23 to the Rules & City Government Committee.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles referred O-33-23 to the Planning Commission.

Resolutions

[R-46-23](#)

Tucker Street Boat Trailer Permit Non-resident Fee Increase - For the purpose of increasing the fee for non-residents to launch boats from the Tucker Street launching facility; and generally dealing with boat trailer permit fees.

Attachments: [R-46-23 First Reader](#)
[R-46-23 Staff Report](#)
[R-46-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-46-23 on first reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles referred R-46-23 to the Finance Committee..

[R-50-23](#)

2023 Military Bowl Parade and Football Game - For the purpose of identifying the Military Bowl Parade and Football Game that will be held on December 27, 2023, as a Major Special Event; and waiving charges for certain City of Annapolis costs related to city services for that event.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Attachments: [R-50-23 First Reader](#)

[R-50-23 Staff Report](#)

[R-50-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[2023 Military Bowl Foundation Introduction](#)

[Military Bowl 2023 Information](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-50-23 on first reader. Seconded. **CARRIED on voice vote.**

Acting Mayor Pindell Charles referred R-50-23 to the Finance Committee..

B. Second Reader

Charter Amendment

[CA-2-23](#)

Management Information Technology office name change - For the purpose of changing the name of the City of Annapolis “Management Information Technology” (MIT) office to “Office of Integrated Technology Solutions” (OITS); and generally related to the City Manager’s duties.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Attachments: [CA-2-23 First Reader](#)

[CA-2-23 Legislative Summary](#)

[CA-2-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[CA-2-23 Staff Report](#)

[CA-2-23 Ad for Public Hearing June 12, 2023](#)

[CA-2-23 Capital Gazette affidavit of published notice](#)

[Public Notice of Passage of CA-2-23](#)

Aldерwoman O’Neill moved to adopt CA-2-23 on second reader. Seconded. **CARRIED on voice vote.**

Aldерwoman O’Neill moved to adopt CA-2-23 on third reader. Seconded. **A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

Aye: 7 - Aldерwoman O’Neill, Aldерwoman Pindell Charles, Aldерwoman Finlayson, Aldерman Schandelmeier, Aldерman Gay, Aldерman Savidge and Aldерman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Aldерwoman Tierney

Ordinances

O-49-22 Planning and Zoning - Parking and Loading Regulations - Parking fee-in-lieu of meeting off-street parking requirements. - For the purpose of authorizing a parking fee-in-lieu for certain businesses required to provide parking spaces; and generally relating to off-street parking requirements.

Sponsors: Tierney, Arnett and Savidge

Attachments: [O-49-22 First Reader](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 1 - Savidge](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 2 - Arnett](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 3 - Arnett](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 4 - Tierney](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 5 - Tierney](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 6 - Arnett](#)
[O-49-22 Amendment 7 - Savidge](#)
[O-49-22 Staff Report](#)
[O-49-22 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-49-22 Staff to Planning Commission with Attachment](#)
[O-49-22 Planning Commission Findings and Recommendations](#)

Alderman Savidge moved to postpone O-49-23 until Monday, October 23, 2023. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

O-54-22 Sign Regulations - Shopping Center Sign Requirements - For the purpose of expanding sign requirement exceptions regarding front-lit signage for shopping centers in B2 Community Shopping zoning districts; and generally dealing with sign regulations in the City of Annapolis.

Sponsors: Arnett

Attachments: [O-54-22 First Reader](#)
[O-54-22 Staff Report](#)
[O-54-22 Fiscal Impact Report](#)
[O-54-22 Public Hearing ad affidavit](#)
[O-54-22 Signed \(color\)](#)
[O-54-22 Signed \(b&w\)](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-54-23 on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-54-23 on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

[O-17-23](#)

Administration - Requiring the City Manager to Provide Staffing Impact Statements on Pending Legislation - For the purpose of requiring staffing reports on charter amendments, ordinances, and resolutions that include the impact of the legislation on staffing levels and duties; changing when staff reports regarding legislation must be submitted to the Council; making clarifying changes to the impacted subsections; and generally related to City Council procedure.

Sponsors: Finlayson and Arnett

Attachments: [O-17-23 First Reader](#)

[O-17-23 Amendment 1 - Finlayson](#)

[O-17-23 Amendment 2 - Finlayson](#)

[O-17-23 Amendment 2A - Arnett](#)

[O-17-23 Amendment 3 - Arnett](#)

[O-17-23 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-17-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-17-23 Staff Report](#)

Alderman Gay moved to adopt O-17-23 on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Savidge moved to amend O-17-23 as follows:

Amendment # 3:

On page 3, in line 17, insert paragraph 3, "If the fiscal impact note or staffing impact report are not ready upon First Reader, the legislation shall be held until the next City Council meeting agenda." Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-17-23 as amended on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

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

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

[O-18-23](#)

Management Information Technology office name change - For the purpose of changing the name of the City of Annapolis "Management Information Technology" (MIT) office to "Office of Integrated Technology Solutions" (OITS); and generally related to the Management Information Technology office.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Attachments: [O-18-23 First Reader](#)
[O-18-23 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-18-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-18-23 Staff Report](#)

Alderman Savidge moved to adopt O-18-23 on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman O'Neill moved to adopt O-18-23 on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderman Tierney

[O-21-23](#)

Landlord-Tenant Relations - Relocation Expenses - For the purpose of requiring a landlord to pay a tenant a relocation payment if the tenant's housing is condemned as unfit for human habitation under certain circumstances; requiring a landlord to provide a tenant with a right of first refusal to re-occupy rental housing under certain circumstances; and generally related to landlord-tenant relations.

Sponsors: Gay

Attachments: [O-21-23 First Reader](#)
[O-21-23 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-21-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-21-23 Staff Report](#)
[O-21-23 Maryland Judicial Conference Review](#)

Alderman Gay moved to refer O-21-23 to the Housing and Human Welfare Committee. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-24-23](#)

Issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes - For the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis (the "City") to issue and sell, upon its full faith and credit, (i) one or more series of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$26,616,084 (the "Bonds"), pursuant to Sections 19-301 through 19-309, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and Article VII, Section 11 of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, as amended (the "Charter"), (ii) one or more series of its general obligation bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount equal to the maximum aggregate principal amount of the Bonds (the "Notes"), pursuant to Sections 19-211 through 19-221, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended and the Charter and (iii) one or more series of its general obligation bonds to refund specified bonds previously issued by the City in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed 120% of the principal amount of bonds to be

refunded (the “Refunding Bonds”), pursuant to Section 19-207 and Sections 19-301 through 19-309, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and the Charter; providing that the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds shall be issued and sold for the public purpose of financing and refinancing certain capital projects of the City as provided in this Ordinance; prescribing the form and tenor of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds; providing for the method of sale of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds and other matters relating to the issuance and sale thereof; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds; covenanting to levy and collect all taxes necessary to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds; and generally providing for and determining various matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds.

Sponsors: Mayor Buckley

Attachments: [O-24-23 First Reader](#)

[O-24-23 Amendment 1 - Substitute Bill](#)

[O-24-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-24-23 Staff Report](#)

[FY24 Bond Ordinance Exhibit I](#)

[FY24 Bond Ordinance Exhibit II](#)

[O-24-23 The Capital Public Hearing Notice Affidavit](#)

[O-24-23 - Financial Advisory Council Recommendation Letter](#)

[O-24-23 Signed](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to amend O-24-23 as follows:

Amendment #1:

On pages 1 through 22, strike in their entirety lines 1-44, inclusive, and substitute:

..Title

Issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes - For the purpose of authorizing and empowering the City of Annapolis (the “City”) to issue and sell, upon its full

faith and credit, (i) one or more series of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal

amount not to exceed \$26,616,084 (the “Bonds”), pursuant to Sections 19-301 through 19-309,

inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended,

and Article VII, Section 11 of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, as amended (the “Charter”),

(ii) one or more series of its general obligation bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the

issuance of the Bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount equal to the maximum aggregate principal amount of the Bonds (the “Notes”), pursuant to Sections 19-211

through 19-221, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended and the Charter and (iii) one or more series of its general obligation bonds to refund specified bonds previously issued by the City in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed 120% of the principal amount of bonds to be refunded (the "Refunding Bonds"), pursuant to Section 19-207 and Sections 19-301 through 19-309, inclusive, of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and the Charter; providing that the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds shall be issued and sold for the public purpose of financing and refinancing certain capital projects of the City as provided in this Ordinance; prescribing the form and tenor of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds; providing for the method of sale of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds and other matters relating to the issuance and sale thereof; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds; covenanting to levy and collect all taxes necessary to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds; and generally providing for and determining various matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, Notes and Refunding Bonds. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt O-24-23 as amended on Second Reader. **Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt O-24-23 on third reader. **Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

Aye: 6 - Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Out of Room: 1 - Alderman Schandelmeier

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

Resolutions

[R-43-23](#)

Public Water Access at the Wells Cove Inlet in Eastport - For the purpose of ensuring the public can walk along the Wells Cove waterfront and enter the water to use small watercraft such as kayaks and paddleboards at the Wells Cove inlet.

Sponsors: Savidge, Arnett and Gay

Attachments: [R-43-23 First Reader](#)
[R-43-23 Amendment 1 - Savidge](#)
[R-43-23 Amendment 2 - Savidge](#)
[R-43-23 Staff Report](#)
[R-43-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[Exhibit A - R-22-86](#)
[2023.04.06 - Court's Findings of Law and Fact](#)
[2023.04.06 - Order Denying Emergency Motion for Stay 04-06-2023 \(1\)](#)
[R-43-23 Perham Letter To City Council 2023-09-11](#)
[R-43-23 Signed \(color\)](#)
[R-43-23 Signed \(b&w\)](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-43-23 on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Gay moved to amend R-43-23 as follows:

Amendment #1:

On page 1, in line 4 and in line 20, strike "enter" and insert "have ingress and egress to" and after "water to" strike "use small watercraft such as kayaks and paddleboards at the Wells Cove inlet" and insert " use watercraft, including but not limited to kayaks, stand-up paddleboards (SUPs), water taxis, dinghies, etc. at the Wells Cove Inlet public access waterfront easement".

On page 2, on line 31, after "3." strike the entirety of text on lines 31-33 and insert "The City takes steps to ensure the public's access to the easement, to the water, and to the main channel of Spa Creek are unimpeded per the judge's order. This may include, but is not limited to, revoking or modifying permits for structures or boats on the water or moving said structure or boats installed or placed subsequent to the execution of the 1992 easement and R-22-86."

Amendment #2:

On line 34, insert paragraphs 4 through 8,
"4. The City takes any necessary action to maintain the ability for the water taxi and dinghies to board passengers and tie up at this location; and
5. The City take any necessary action to ensure vegetation in the Wells Cove easement is maintained by the property owner or City to ensure it does not block or impede access to the water; and
6. The City install a complete sidewalk on the north side of Boucher Avenue in front of the easement; and
7. The City maintain or require maintenance of a "4 foot wide path for public access to the open space and waterfront areas, made of oyster shell or similar nonpaved material" as required in R-22-86, Finding 3; and
8. The City remove any "No Trespassing signs" posted on or in the direction of the public access easement." Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-43-23 as amended on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

[R-48-23](#)

Establishing a Task Force to Study the City's Grant Programs - For the purpose of creating a task force to conduct a thorough review and analysis of existing City of Annapolis grant programs and make recommendations for possible changes to the program.

Sponsors: O'Neill

Attachments: [R-48-23 First Reader](#)

[R-48-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[R-48-23 Staff Report](#)

[R-48-23 Signed \(color\)](#)

[R-48-23 Signed \(b&w\)](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-48-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

[R-49-23](#)

Commission to Plan Celebrations for the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America - For the purpose of creating the United States of America semiquincentennial commission to plan celebrations in the City of Annapolis commemorating the 250th anniversary of the U.S.A.

Sponsors: O'Neill

Attachments: [R-49-23 First Reader](#)

[R-49-23 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[R-49-23 Staff Report](#)

[R-49-23 Signed \(color\)](#)

[R-49-23 Signed \(b&w\)](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-49-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

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

Absent: 2 - Mayor Buckley and Alderwoman Tierney

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 9:33 pm.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk