



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, October 9, 2023

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

Mayor Buckley called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Invocation

Given by Alderwoman Finlayson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Buckley.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderman.Savidge.

Alderman Gay attended the meeting virtually.

Alderwoman Pindell Charles left the meeting for the evening at 7:31 pm.

Present: 8 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 1 - Alderwoman O'Neill

Approval of Agenda

City Manager Mallinoff was present and answered questions from the council.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to ADD R-54-23 Noah Hillman Garage Parking Concession Agreement on First Reader. Seconded. DEFEATED on voice vote.

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Savidge moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Aye: 8 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 1 - Alderwoman O'Neill

PETITIONS, REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

A. Update from the Mayor

**Mayor Gavin Buckley
City Council Remarks
7 p.m. - 9 October 2023
City Council Chambers**

Good evening. We have sad news to start out with tonight, Mark Seidel, who retired from Annapolis Police in 2021, died unexpectedly late last week.

Captain Seidel began his public safety career in Annapolis in 1993. He served with distinction throughout his career and was commended many times. One stand-out story is the time he was following a tow truck, when a vehicle crossed the center line and struck the tow truck head on. The crashed vehicle immediately burst into flames with the unconscious driver locked inside. Then-officer Seidel used his baton to break the window and rescue the driver, saving his life.

Annapolis Police will share Captain Seidel’s funeral arrangements when they become available. Our thoughts and love are with his family during this time.

To his fellow officers at APD, we know you are also feeling this loss. If you need to talk to someone, please reach out to your support network, the peer support team, or the City’s Employee Assistance Program.

Let’s take a moment of silence to remember Capt. Seidel and to hold his family in our hearts.

[Moment of Silence]

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This past weekend, the Annapolis Boat Show held a very successful powerboat show. It was great to see the new Hillman Garage full on Friday for this huge event, and now we are all looking forward to the Sailboat Show which will take place from this Thursday to Sunday.

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This Thursday evening at Eastport Community Center, Alderman Gay is hosting a community meeting for the residents of Eastport Terrace and Harbor House to share their feedback and ideas about resources, public safety and issues of concern within their community. For more information, please reach out to Alderman Gay or Alderman Arnett.

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The great pumpkins have arrived in Annapolis! This is a fun tradition, now in its fourth year bringing enormous, “GREAT” pumpkins to downtown. They are a perfect backdrop for fall social media moments with family and friends.

The pumpkin locations for this year include: the Graduate Hotel, Annapolis Visitor Center, St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, Maryland Inn, State Circle, Market Space, Annapolis Waterfront Hotel and this year in Eastport at Boatyard Bar and Grill.

When you post your photo with the great pumpkin, remember to use the hashtag #GreatAnnapolisPumpkin!

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Next are a few community events coming up:

- This Saturday, October 14, please come out for the Drug Free Sports Festival – 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center. Our Mayor's office softball team will compete against the Drug Free All Stars for the Mayor's Cup. There will be resources, food & drink, sports clinics and fun for the whole family. We hope to see you there!
- On Saturday, Oct. 21 from 2 to 9 pm, the Inner West Street Association will host their annual Fall Fest on West Street with live music, activities for children, outdoor dining and more.
- The Maryland Avenue Fall Festival takes place on Sunday, Oct. 22 from 10 AM to 5 PM. This is a free street festival with arts, crafts, antiques, live music, food trucks, activities for children, and more.

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On Saturday, August 26 the rescheduled Old Fourth Ward Unity Day will take place at People's Park from noon to 9pm with music, arts, vendors, children's activities, food and more.

As you know, the Old Fourth Ward is an historic African-American community. Make sure you visit the historic signs and markers that help to explain the significance of the area including at Asbury United Methodist Church, Annapolis City Gates, Marion Warren's photographs, the Foot Soldiers/March on Washington monument, and the Clay Street Community montage among others.

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A little further afield stay tuned for three events, all taking place on October 28:

- First is Trunk or Treat starting at 10 AM to 2 PM at Pip Moyer Recreation Center parking lot. Come dressed in costume, decorate your vehicle and open your trunk for children to trick or treat. There will be hayrides, food trucks, and more.
- Day of the Dead will conclude our Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations. That festival is from 3 to 8pm at Maryland Hall and is hosted with the City of Annapolis. There will be Latin American food and drinks, live performances, skull candy face painting, and more.
- And also that Saturday is the rescheduled Kunta Kinte Festival at City Dock from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. with music, dance, arts and crafts, food, activities for children, and more.

So there's lots happening around town in the coming weeks - please get out there, connect with your community, and enjoy this beautiful time of year.

Now, let's get on with our meeting!

B. Reports by Committee

Alderwoman Pindell Charles left the meeting for the evening at 7:31 pm.

Standing Committee Meeting Dates:

Environmental Matters Committee Regular Meeting
October 12, 2023, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Housing & Human Welfare Committee Regular Meeting
October 16, 2023, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Finance Committee Regular Meeting
October 18, 2023, 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

C. Comments by the General Public

Speakers:

Jenifer Sowers, 69 West Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
Cynthia McBride, 215 Main Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
William "Hank" McCulley, 3 Silverwood Circle, Apt 10, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.
Jennifer Thurston, 53 Cornhill Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
Fay Blueford, 7 Chelsea Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

Mayor Buckley declared comments from the general public closed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Alderman Schandelmeier to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

A. Approval of Journal of Proceedings

[CCM 9.11.23](#) Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Alderman Schandelmeier to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

[CCM 9.26.23](#) Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Alderman Schandelmeier to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried:unanimously

Aye: 7 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

B. Appointments

[AP-32-23](#) Historic Preservation Commission - Kimberly Golder

Aye: 7 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

End of Consent Calendar

BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

A. Supplemental Appropriations \$50,000 & Over

[SA-7-24](#) AIPPC - Fund Balance

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to approve SA-7-24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

B. Fund Transfers

[FT-2-24](#) General - Management Information Technology - Salary Benefits - Contract Services

Alderwoman Tierney moved to approve FT-2-24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

MIT Manager Paquin was present and answered questions from the council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

[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

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on O-27-23 closed.

[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

Speaker:

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

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on O-29-23 closed.

Alderman Gay - Cosponsor Added.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Second Readers

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.

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to adopt R-46-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Nay: 1 - Alderman Gay

Absent: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

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

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to adopt R-50-23 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schandelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 2 - Alderwoman O'Neill and Alderwoman Pindell Charles

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk