



City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester
Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Regular Minutes - Final

City Council

Monday, May 13, 2019

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Buckley called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Invocation

Given by Alderman Rodriguez.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Buckley.

Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderman Savidge.

Alderman Paone left for the evening at 9:47 p.m.

Alderman Arnett left the meeting for the evening at 10:08 p.m.

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

Approval of Agenda

Alderman Savidge moved to approve the agenda as amended to add O-24-19 Candidacy Requirements in Special Elections on first reader. **Seconded.**
CARRIED on voice vote.

Ceremonial Items

Proclamation - Raymond Franklin Finkle, Jr., Grand Marshall for Memorial Day Parade

Presented.

City Council Citations - Rita Dorsey, Angel Traynor, Chemire Gladden

Presented.

City Council Citations - Mike Bunker, Joe Hanna, Randy Thompson and Corey Grainger

Presented.

City Council Citation - Beatriz Moucha - The Flowers Festival

Presented.

City Council Citation - De Colores - Folkloric Dance Non Profit Organization

Presented.

City Council Citation - Centro Cultural Bolivia - Folkloric Dance Non Profit Organization

Presented.

Petitions, Reports and Communications

A. Reports by Committee

Standing Committee Dates:
5/13/19 Special Finance Committee
When: 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
5/15/19 Environmental Matters Committee
When: 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

B. Finance Committee Report on the Mayor's FY2020 Budget

City Manager Sutherland read into the report from the Financial Advisory Commission and the Planning Commission Findings on O-17-19 Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance and Property Tax Levy.

Alderman Arnett presented Finance Committee's report to the Council.

C. Auditor's Report

Principal Keith Novak, 6406 Ivy Lane, Suite 200, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770-1441 representing Clifton Larson Allen (CLA), was present and provided a report to the Council.

D. Required Administrative Submittals - City Manager

City Manager Sutherland was present and answered questions from council.

[ID-484-19](#) Stantec Water and Sewer Rate Study 5,2,2019

This Informational Item was presented.

[ID-488-19](#)

This Informational Item was presented.

[ID-489-19](#)

This Informational Item was presented.

[ID-490-19](#)

This Informational Item was presented.

E. Comments by the General Public

Kevin Sullivan, 7 Cumberland Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Dominique Scurry, 705 Newtowne Drive, Unit H, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing "ACT".

Sean Schneider, 1906 Forest Drive, suite 2A/2B, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Center of Help.

JoAnn Mattson, 37 Glen Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Lighthouse Shelter.

William Pratt, 32 Juliana Circle East, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Tia Colson, 705 Newotowne Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Kirby Cole, 702-I Newotwne Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Barbara Polson Woodside Garden.

David Frankel, 929 king James Landing Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.

Lisa Mondoro, 121 South Villa Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Boys & Girls Club.

Ed Green, 2423 Benjamin Lane, Crofton, Maryland 20715 representing Opportunities Industrialization Cente "OIC".

Tom Rickus 163 Prince George Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Stacey Gullette, 453 President Point Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing **Naptown**.

Jossiah Parker, 178 Oberry Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Charter Schools.

Paul Bollinger, 1109 Miami Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
representing CRAB

Robert Clark, 9 South Street, Annapolis, Maryland representing
Historic Annapolis & The City Dock Action Committee.

Alice Astrda, 723 Second Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403
representing the Annapolis Maritime Museum.

Robert Eades, 32 Pleasant Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Doug Smith, 5 Revel Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
representing Start the Adventure in Reading "STAIR"

Charlestine R. Fairley, 251 West Street, Annapolis, Maryland
21401 representing CEO Community Action Agency

Najiba Hemi, 620 Admiral Drive, Unit 335, Annapolis, Maryland
21401 representing Seeds for Success

Alice Wright, 641 Bywater Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401
representing the Parole Health Center.

Mayor Buckley declared comments by the general public closed.

F. Update from the Mayor

Mayor Gavin Buckley Remarks City Council Meeting

Monday, May 13, 2019

Thank you everyone for joining us tonight.

Yesterday morning, I was very pleased to not only wish my wife and all the moms in Annapolis a Happy Mother's Day, I was thrilled to welcome the Police Unity Tour to our City and ride out of town with them. They raise funds for the fallen officer memorial in Washington, DC. Each year they ride 400 miles on their bicycles ending in DC to remember those who gave their lives while protecting the

public. Each year they stop in Annapolis for an overnight because they love this City. It was an honor to be the first mayor in the City's history to ride with them.

Last week we hosted the City Dock Action Committee Public Meeting at Pip Moyer Center. What an amazing turnout. There were 200 people in the room, actively participating in a conversation about the future of City Dock, our historic downtown and the direction of our City.

Thank you to everyone for helping to move this forward. We have our subject matter experts working in the Working Teams and they'll have their first reporting out to the Action Group in about ten days.

I'll remind everyone that this is an implementation strategy - they're working on ways to implement the ULI study ideas. I am very excited about how this is moving along. Thank you again to **Eileen Fogarty**. She's got some tough cookies to deal with but she does it with grace, wit and determination.

Speaking of City Dock, we have made HUGE. Huge! strides in alleviating flooding along Dock Street at City Dock. The Annapolis City Department of Public Works opened up the storm drains and installed an innovative solution to the ongoing coastal flooding.

It's a pump system, like a sump pump in your basement that will push the water out when it gets too high in the storm drain. Alongside that is a backflow preventer, think of it like a doggie door that only lets the water go out to Ego Alley, but it doesn't let the water from Ego Alley back up into the parking lot.

Let me say this loud and clear: It seems to be working. We have had a few extraordinary high tides in the past week, the kinds that would've left the businesses along Dock Street with floodwaters lapping at their doors and into their businesses.

I went by the other day when the National Weather Service had predicted high coastal flooding and it was dry as a bone.

I'll mention some names during the citation portion of tonight's meeting and congratulate the people who worked on this project specifically; but for now I want to thank **Alderwoman Tierney** who spearheaded this project and whose history as a civil engineer helped inform the idea to move the water away like they do on construction sites.

I'd like to also thank **David Jarrell** and **Lisa Grieco** from Public Works for swiftly working to get this implemented to give those businesses relief.

This is the way City government should work. We are working together to better the lives of the people who live, work and play in our City.

We are now working on the Compromise Street side.

On Sunday, May 5, I read the Proclamation opening the election for Ward Six

Council seat. It's already disarming to be sitting here without Alderwoman Henson, but we move forward together as a City and Council.

The special election will take place on June 4, that's the primary date. On July 2, we'll have a general special election. Please note that the board of supervisors of Elections has designated ONE polling place: Eastport Community Center. Filing deadline is tonight at 9 p.m. Again, the filing deadline for the Ward Six Special Election is TONIGHT at 9 p.m.

For One Annapolis, we had a very successful Safe Spring Break event, where we offered students an opportunity to have a safe place to spend their time off from school. We hosted 400 at Pip Moyer; 120 of those were children, with a basketball clinic, soccer, music, food and fun.

Also for One Annapolis, we hosted Naptown Anti-Dope Movement or NAM 5 event at Pip Moyer with substance abuse resources, Narcan training, recovery testimonials and Peer Support. Our next one is at Morris Blum on May 25.

We had the Annapolis Pride kickoff the first week of May. This will be the first Pride Parade in the City's history. It will take place on June 29. To coincide with that, I was happy to introduce **Max Huber** as the first LGBTQ-plus liaison to the Mayor's office. He joins **Amy Mi-YEZ**, the LGBTQ liaison in the Annapolis Police Department in serving our community. We are striving to ensure that our City is welcoming to people from all walks of life and I hope residents are confident they have people to turn to who understand their issues and unique concerns.

Earlier this month, our Office of Emergency Management staff attended a conference in Atlanta Georgia, "the Prescription Drug Abuse and Heroin Summit." The gathering brought stakeholders from across the nation to focus on developing harm reduction strategies and creating a network of advocates for substance use prevention, access to treatment, enforcement, education and recovery.

Representing the City at the conference were **Deputy Chief Kevin Simmons**, **Mary Kate Seborowski**, **John Barnickel** from the Office of Emergency Management, From my office, **Tola Ajayi**. From Police, **Captain Mark Seidel**, and from Fire, **Captain Aaron Edwards**.

Fire Chief David Stokes also reported, separate from the Atlanta trip but pertaining to the opioid epidemic that Captain Edwards was nominated to receive a service award from the Anne Arundel County 100 Club for his programs: "Your Life Matters" and "Narcan Leave Behind."

Last week, acting Planning and Zoning director **Sally Nash** hosted the kickoff event to develop the 2020 Comprehensive Plan. This process creates a broad

statement about community, where stakeholders try to look 20 years ahead to see what kinds of goals and strategies can be implemented to ensure healthy communities, healthy economies and healthy environments.

There is a big component of public input and data collection associated with this effort. I'd like to thank Director Nash as well as the following people who worked on the kickoff but will also be involved in this process as it unfolds:

- **Tom Smith**, Chief of Current Planning
- **Theresa Wellman**, Chief of Community Development,
- **Hope Stewart**, Small/Minority Business Coordinator
- **Roberta Laynor**, Chief of Historic Preservation
- **Eric Borchers**, Comprehensive Planner, and
- **Lisa Grieco**, Engineer

Two members of Anne Arundel County staff are involved as well, they are:

- **Marta Arzu-Macintosh**, Office of Traffic, and
- **Patrick Hughes**, Long Range Planner

The Comprehensive Plan will deal with land use, environment, water resources, sea level rise, housing, transportation, parks and green space, and growth, among other priorities. Go to Annapolis.gov and use the keywords "2020 Comprehensive Plan" to learn more.

This coming Friday, May 17, in front of Market House, I want to remind everyone of National Bike to Work Day. 8 a.m., we'll have a rally there to promote all of the good things cycling can do for you personally and for the community and the environment. To remind you of some of the reasons why cycling is good:

- It creates no carbon emissions,
- It reduces traffic and parking demand,
- It is good cardiovascular exercise,
- It has a low impact on road infrastructure,
- It is something people of all ages can do,
- It reduces car and insurance payments, and
- It strengthens our economy by making the City a more attractive place to live, work and visit.

Speaking of environmental priorities, I want to note the UN Report on Biodiversity last week that cautioned that the actions of us humans will result in the looming extinction of more than one million species of plants and animals.

Sometimes these reports seem distant and unrelated to Annapolis or Maryland or

the US. But what is happening in other parts of the world affects us. There are actions we can take:

- Create biodiversity in your own neighborhood by selecting native plants or trees. Pick ones that you do NOT see in your neighbor's yard. This helps create native plant diversity in your neighborhood;
- Support efforts to restore streams and rivers to encourage more species by providing habitat;
- Try not to use pesticides and herbicides in your yard and encourage neighbors to do the same;
- Support efforts to slow climate change

I want to ask you to mark your calendars and get your tickets for an upcoming free event, the first in a series that will take place in partnership with Historic Annapolis, the City and Maryland Hall. It is a speaker series and the first one is May 20 with former Charleston Mayor Joe Riley.

He was the mayor of Charleston for 40 years. That is 10 terms, from 1975 to 2016. He took the city from a decaying urban center in the 1970s and 80s and built it into a top cultural destination by the time he left office in 2016.

King Street, the main street in downtown Charleston, was once a place you wouldn't want to go. Now it is one of the ten best shopping streets in America. Think Fifth Avenue and Michigan Avenue and Rodeo Drive. But it wasn't just about retail.

Riley worked to push the city into a new way of thinking about race. He was determined to be a bridge builder. He included African Americans in his City administration for the first time in the City's history. And Charleston was the first southern City to observe the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

Riley also had tremendous strains during his time in office. Hurricane Hugo in 1989 wrought destruction on the city he was trying to rebuild. In June of 2015 when a gunman opened fire in the Emanuel AME Church, Riley had to deal with the aftermath of a mass shooting in his community.

I think that the Honorable Mayor Riley will have some things to share with the residents of our city and I encourage everyone to get a free ticket and come to Maryland Hall to hear what he has to say.

This series is being sponsored also by Severn Savings Bank, Historic Annapolis, Katcef Brothers, Visit Annapolis, Market House, and the Downtown Annapolis Partnership. Thanks to all of these sponsors for helping to make this happen.

Remember, May 20 at 7 p.m. at Maryland Hall. It's free, but you'll need to register for a ticket because there is limited seating. If you want to meet Joe Riley,

there is a \$50 special reception before the talk. Visit the Maryland Hall website for details.

Finally, the Council starts addressing the Budget tonight. I want to thank City Manager Teresa Sutherland and Finance Director Jodee Dickinson for taking the lead in giving us a budget that is the most transparent, complete, and responsive to the Charter and laws.

One year ago, management of City finances were hanging by a thread. As a new City Manager, Teresa went to work to prepare and rework a budget for the Council to pass last year. During this year, Teresa and Jodee have sifted through where money was in pockets and prepared a Mayor's budget that can withstand any financial scrutiny.

We are working by a Council appropriation standard, departments living by their budget or getting supplemental appropriations passed by the Council, leaving behind unappropriated, unauthorized, unlawful spending from revolving funds.

This has been a monumental task for the last several months. The City is fortunate to have such able, professional employees. I hope Council Members share my respect and appreciation for Teresa and Jodee.

Now let's get to the rest of tonight's meeting!

Consent Calendar

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

Approval of Journal of Proceedings

[CCM040819](#) Regular Meeting Minutes

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Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

Appointments

[AP-66-18](#) The Appointment of Olga Cortez to the Annapolis Education Commission
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[AP-73-19](#) The Re-Appointment of Marcie Taylor Thoma to the Heritage Commission
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[AP-95-19](#) The Re-Appointment of Raymond A. Lowman to the Recreation Advisory Board
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[AP-97-19](#) The Re-Appointment of Frank P. Montgomery to the Recreation Advisory Board
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[AP-98-19](#) The Re-Appointment Patricia Dawn Moyer to the Recreation Advisory Board
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[AP-99-19](#) The Re-Appointment of Craig Harrison to the Recreation Advisory Board
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[AP-101-19](#) The Re-Appointment of Catherine Simmons-Jones to the Recreational Advisory Board
Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

Business and Miscellaneous

[SA-47-19](#) Planning and Zoning Revenue: General Fund Donations Traffic Impact

01065-483020 Expenditure: Planning and Zoning Contract Services
01170-530800

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-48-19](#)

Public Works Revenue: Annapolis Downtown Partnership-Green
Recycling/Downtown Recycling Cans Grant Expenditure: Other Grant
Supplies

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-51-19](#)

Fire Department - Revenue: CPR/First AID/AED Training to Singles on
Sailboats Club Expenditure: Fire Department Supplies (\$414) Fire
Department Overtime (\$966)

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-52-19](#)

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-53-19](#)

Recreation and Parks - Stanton Center - Revenue: General Fund Gifts and
Donations Expenditure: Stanton Center Supplies

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-54-19](#)

Recreation and Parks - Stanton Center - Revenue: General Fun Gifts and

Donations Expenditure: Stanton Center Supplies

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-55-19](#)

Recreation and Parks - Memorial Tree/Bench - Revenue: General Fund
Gifts and Donations Expenditure: Recreation and Parks Landscape/Grounds

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[SA-56-19](#)

Office Of Emergency Management - Revenue: County Grant FY19 Opioid Intervention Team Overdose Free Annapolis (\$12,200); County Grant FY19 Opioid Intervention Team Naptown Anti-dope Movement (\$15,000); County Grant FY19 Opioid Intervention Team Your Life Matters (\$3,541);
Expenditure: Contract Services FY19 Opioid Intervention Team Overdose Free Annapolis (\$10,000); Training and Education FY19 Opioid Intervention Team Overdose Free Annapolis (\$2,200); Supplies FY19 Opioid Intervention Team Naptown Anti-dope Movement (\$10,000); Contract Services FY10 Opioid Intervention Team Naptown Anti-dope Movement (\$5,000); Training and Education FY10 Opioid Intervention Team Your Life Matters (3,541)

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

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

First Readers

[R-22-19](#)

2019 Special Election - Ward 6 - For the purpose of authorizing the City of Annapolis to contract with the Anne Arundel County Board of Elections to administer the City of Annapolis Special Primary and General Elections that will take place on June 4, 2019 and July 2, 2019, respectively.

Sponsors: Buckley

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

[R-23-19](#)

Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week - For the purpose of recognizing the

third annual Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week from June 2-10, 2019; and urging Annapolis residents and guests to participate in the plethora of educational and environmental events, activities, and programs that are designed to increase awareness of the importance of the Chesapeake Bay to the State, the region, and the United States.

Sponsors: Finlayson and Savidge

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

R-25-19

City Ownership of ~~Bembe Beach~~ Port Williams Marina, support for Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating's Adaptive Boating Center

- For the purpose of supporting the City's ownership of a marina on Back Creek off Bembe Beach Road, to be purchased as a City-County-State partnership utilizing Program Open Space monies, for use by the Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating's (CRAB) Adaptive Boating Center.

Sponsors: Savidge, Tierney, Rodriguez and Arnett

Alderman Savidge requested that his name be added as a sponsor of R-23-19.

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

End of Consent Calendar

Public Hearings Cont.

R-16-19

FY 2020 Fees Schedule Effective July 1, 2019 - For the purpose of specifying fees that will be charged for the use of City services for FY 2019.

Sponsors: Buckley

Speaker:

Tom Rekus, 163 Prince George Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

No one else from the general public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the resolution.

Mayor Buckley declare the public hearing on R-16-19 closed.

R-17-19

FY 2020 Fines Schedule Effective July 1, 2019 - For the purpose of specifying fines that will be charged for FY 2020.

Sponsors: Buckley

Speakers;

Tom Rekus, 163 Prince George Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

No one else spoke in favor of or in opposition to the resolution.

Mayor Buckley declare the public hearing on R-17-19 closed.

Motion by Operation of Law to Continue

**Alderman Savidge moved to consider Public hearing beyond 10:30 p.m..
Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Public Hearings**O-17-19**

ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AND PROPERTY TAX LEVY - For the purpose of adopting the City Budget, comprising the Annual Operating Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Capital Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Capital Improvement Program for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2021, June 30, 2022, June 30, 2023, June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025; appropriating funds for all expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2020; levying and imposing a property tax for the use of the City of Annapolis for the taxable year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020; and fixing the rate of the City property tax for the taxable year.

Sponsors: Buckley

Speakers:

Jeffrey Diggs, 3565 Green Road, Daqvidsonville, Maryland 21035 representing the Board of Director of the Foundation Bishop Love Conference Center.

Charles Hall, 347 Brunswick Place, Riva, Maryland 21140.

Carol Benson, 2306 Whitehall Road, Whitehall, Maryland (Four Rivers) "MHAA".

Besty Jenkins, 106 Conduit Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Melissa Sherwood, 29 Rockwell Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing Feed a Healthy Mind.

Erin Snell, 2644 Riva Road, Annapolis. Maryland 21401 representing Charting Careers & Read to Succeed.

Trevor **Griffin**, 20014 Renard Court, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing Annapolis Maker Space.

Margaret Davis, 7 Chase Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 President of Maryland

Hall.

Randy Rowe, 92 West Washington Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing We Care and Friends.

Deborah Wood, 1332 Swan Drive representing Chesapeake Children's Museum.

No one else spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance.

Mayor Buckley declare the public hearing on O-17-19 closed.

[ID-462-19](#)

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS NOTICE OF A PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX

INCREASE - The City Council of City of Annapolis proposes to increase real property taxes.

1. For the tax year beginning July 1, 2019, the estimated real property assessable base will increase by 2.109%, from \$6,670,084,346 to \$6,810,780,652.
2. If City of Annapolis maintains the current tax rate of \$0.7380 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues will increase by 2.109 % resulting in \$1,038,339 of new property tax revenues.
3. In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$0.7228, the constant yield tax rate.
4. The City of Annapolis is considering not reducing its real property tax rate enough to fully offset increasing assessments. The City of Annapolis proposes to adopt a real property tax rate of \$0.7380 per \$100 of assessment. This tax rate is 2.109 % higher than the constant yield tax rate and will generate \$1,038,339 in additional property tax revenues.

No one else spoke in favor of or in opposition to the ID-462-19.

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing on ID-462-19 closed.

Legislative Action

Second Readers

[O-42-18](#)

Sidewalk Signs - For the purpose of authorizing sidewalk signs with certain conditions; providing a definition of “sidewalk sign”; and providing for a delayed effective date of the sidewalk sign permit fee.

Sponsors: Tierney

Alderwoman Tierney moved to adopt on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Tierney moved to amend as follows:

AMENDMENT #1

Page 4, line 37 insert new paragraph "3. Historic District – refer to Section 21.70.090 'Signs in the Historic District' for guidelines."

Rationale for Amendment #1:

To provide for one-stop-shopping legislation, so that a store owner will see the need to refer to the HPC guidelines for specific sign criteria and also to clarify what this legislation does not include.

AMENDMENT #2:

Page 5, strike lines 18-20 after "issued," and substitute with "the applicant shall provide an indemnity bond to ensure compliance with all applicable City laws and to cover losses and claims resulting from the placement or use of the sidewalk sign. The bond shall be in a form satisfactory to the City Attorney."

AMENDMENT #3:

Page 11, line 39 after "with no" strike "moving parts or"; page 11, lines 41-42 after "feather pole sign" insert ", free-standing directional signage,. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Tierney moved to adopt O-42-18 as amended on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderman Tierney moved to adopt O-42-19 on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Alderman Tierney, Alderman Pindell Charles, Alderman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

Motion by Operation of Law to Continue

Alderman Savidge moved to continue with new legislation beyond 11:00 p.m. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-1-19](#)

Fair Housing - Protected Classes - For the purpose of adding protected classes to the Annapolis Fair Housing laws and including additional unlawful housing practices; and generally relating to Fair Housing.

Sponsors: Rodriguez, Buckley, Savidge, Tierney and Finlayson

Alderman Rodriguez moved to adopt O-1-19 on second reader. Seconded.

Alderman Rodriguez moved to amend as follows:

Amendment 1

Page 3, line 10, strike "It" and insert "UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY LAW, IT".

Amendment 2

Page 3, line 39, after "status" insert "IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE, LEASE, SUBLEASE, ASSIGNMENT, OR OTHER TRANSFER OF A HOUSING UNIT".

Amendment 3

Page 3, strike lines 44-46, and Page 4, lines 1-4, and insert "9. TO DISCRIMINATE IN THE SALE, LEASE, SUBLEASE, ASSIGNMENT, OR OTHER TRANSFER OF A HOUSING UNIT BY REQUIRING PROOF OF IMMIGRATION STATUS OR CITIZENSHIP STATUS, SUCH AS A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, WITHOUT PROVIDING AN ALTERNATIVE THAT DOES NOT REVEAL IMMIGRATION STATUS OR CITIZENSHIP STATUS, SUCH AS AN INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER."

Amendment 4

Page 4, line 9, strike ", for any purpose, including". **Seconded. CARRIED** on voice vote.

Aldermoman Tierney moved to adopt O-1-19 as amended on second reader. **Seconded. CARRIED** on voice vote.

Alderman Rodriguez moved to adopt on third reader. **Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED** by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Aldermoman Tierney, Aldermoman Pindell Charles, Aldermoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

R-19-19

City Sponsored Special Events in Fiscal Year 2020 - For the purpose of identifying City Sponsored Special Events; and waiving certain related City Fees during Fiscal Year 2020.

Sponsors: Tierney

Alderman Rodriguez moved to adopt R-19-19 on second reader. **Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED** by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Buckley, Aldermoman Tierney, Aldermoman Pindell Charles, Aldermoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez and Alderman Savidge

Absent: 3 - Alderman Paone, Henson and Alderman Arnett

O-24-19

Sponsors: Savidge

Alderman Savidge moved to adopt O-24-19 on first reader. **Seconded. DEFEATED** on voice vote.

R-24-19

Community Celebration on June 28, 2019 - For the purpose of declaring that the Community Celebration at Maryland Hall on June 28, 2019, is a City sponsored event.

Sponsors: Buckley

Chief of Staff Smith was present and answered questions from council.

**Alderman Savidge moved to adopt R-24-19 on first reader. Seconded.
CARRIED on voice vote.**

Adjournment

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at
11:43 p.m.**

**Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC
City Clerk**