



# City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester  
Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401

## Special Minutes - Final City Council

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Monday, February 25, 2019

7:00 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.  
City Council Chambers

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### Call to Order

Mayor Buckley called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### Invocation

Given by Alderman Savidge.

### Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Buckley.

### Roll Call

Tonight's roll call began with Alderwoman Tierney.

**Present:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

### Approval of Agenda

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

### Ceremonial Items

#### City Council Citation - Ehjaie Jones

Presented.

#### City Council Citation - Claude Coates

Presented.

*The order of the agenda was amended to allow for.....*

City Council Citation - Kevin J. Simmons, Deputy Fire Chief and Director of the Office of Emergency Management.

Presented.

City Council Citation - Regina C. Watkins-Eldridge, MMC City Clerk

Presented.

*The order of the agenda was resumed.*

**Petitions, Reports and Communications**

**A. Reports by Committee**

**Standing Committee Dates:**  
2/27/19 Environmental Matters Committee  
When:1:00 PM - 2:30 PM  
3/4/19 Public Safety Committee  
When:6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
3/6/19 Finance Committee  
When:10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**Reports by Committee**

Alderman Pindell Charles provided the council members with the City of Annapolis' Equal Protection Task Force - African-American Residents, Resolution 24-18 Second Quarterly Report - October - December 2018.

**B. Comments by the General Public**

Speakers:  
Patrick Fleeharty, 105 Victor Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.  
Steve Rogers, 515 Fourth Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403.  
Kathy Bohanan, 157 Quiet Waters Place, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 representing the Environmental Commission.  
Lee Anderson & Patti White, 117 Annapolis Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Film Festival.  
Mark Mhley, 123 Conduit Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.  
Shirley Gordon, 55 Clay Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.  
Janet Norman, 797 Annapolis Neck Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Mayor Buckley declared comments from the general public closed.

**C. Update from the Mayor**

**Mayor Gavin Buckley  
Remarks  
City Council Meeting  
Monday, February 25, 2019**

- Thank you everyone for being here tonight.
- Last Wednesday, we had a winter storm come through the City. I want to thank the residents for mostly keeping their cars off the Snow Emergency Routes. The City Manager opened the parking garages for residents to use for free. This was a good decision that helped our Public Works crews more easily maneuver and get the roads treated. I would like to especially thank **Robert Couchenour**, **Phil Cook** and **Phil Scrivener**. These are just some of the unsung heroes of these snow events. They plan, coordinate and oversee all snow operations. They ensure that the City has adequate resources, including personnel, contractors, vehicles, fuel, and salt and then they manage the work to keep the roads as clear as possible for both emergency vehicles and residents who need to be out and about. Thanks everyone!
- I want to join City resident **Donna Feather** who posted a “Kudos to Public Works” message on our City Facebook page. This resident contacted Public Works the day after the storm to report a tree down and within a few hours the tree was removed and the issue resolved for the residents of Admiral Heights. The Public Works employees are **Antonio Savage** and **Marvin Wallace**. Thanks guys! We work for the residents of this City and I like knowing that our employees are being responsive in a timely manner.
- This is our last City Council meeting before we close out Black History Month. We’ve had some great commemorative events this month. I’d like to recognize two members of my staff who organized and worked long hours to make these events successful. Thank you to **Will Rowell** and **Tola Ajayi**. There have been community discussions and events and a celebration of black history at Annapolis High School that was organized by young people. I invite you to like “One Annapolis” on Facebook where you can read some of the rich and sometimes painful history of the African American experience in the City of Annapolis.
- In continuing our One Annapolis efforts and diversity outreach to the community, I had the honor to attend the Hispanic Business Leaders Breakfast last week. We got to listen to business men and women talk about doing business in the City. One of the biggest issues is navigating City processes. I was pleased to learn after the breakfast that some of the people followed up with my office to talk about new business opportunities being launched. One is a new magazine, another an effort to expand an existing business and the third an offer of volunteer help and/or

donations for an upcoming event the City will be hosting at “Pip” Moyer Center in April.

- Also with our Hispanic outreach liaison, we have a new After School program at the “Pip” Moyer Recreation Center for students from Bates and Annapolis Middle Schools. The program is four days a week, Monday through Thursday, from 3 to 6 PM and there will be transportation provided.
- We also have 16 people enrolled in English and GED Classes and for this we are offering child care so the parents can get the program and don’t have to scramble or worry about finding someone to look after their children. With these programs, we are utilizing the great resource that is the “Pip” Moyer Center to fully engage the Hispanic Community.
- I had dinner last week with the president of St. John’s College, **Panaviotis Kanelos**, and he announced that the college is reserving 50 scholarships for minority students. This is a great opportunity as a pipeline for Annapolis High School. St. John’s College is right here in Annapolis and we are trying to forge a closer relationship. It started with our mentorship day and these scholarships will help open college opportunities for our students, so I am very excited about that.
- We had our third NAPDOWN Anti-Dope event at the Eastport Community Center on Feb. 16. The opioid epidemic has touched the lives of people from all across our city, and it was great to hear from public safety officials and people in recovery. It’s important for people of our City to know there are resources and there is hope. We will have our next event at the Stanton Center on March 30.
- As I promised, I met with **Del. Alice Cain**, Councilwoman **Lisa Rodvien** and Superintendent of Anne Arundel County Public Schools **Dr. George Arlotto** on the Adequate Public Facilities legislation that was held over from our last City Council meeting. Dr. Arlotto has let us know that there is no plan to expand the high school, no plan to redistrict and no plan to build another high school.
- We received a copy of the Stanford University Woods Institute for the Environment study that focused on the issues of flooding and climate change and the economic impacts for both the City of Annapolis and the businesses here. A number of people from the City cooperated with the Stanford researchers. I want to thank **David Mandell** of the Office of Emergency Management, **Lisa Greco** in Public Works, and **Rick**

**Gordon** and **Markus Moore** in Transportation. Also, from the Annapolis Police Department (who provided camera footage of the parking area on City Dock), **Sgt. Ricky Truitt** and **Detective Mike Reid**. I urge you to check out the study through the link on the homepage of the Annapolis.gov website.

Finally, this is the last meeting for City Attorney **Richard Melnick**. Rich is leaving us due to unexpected family health obligations that have arisen, and with his long commute and the amount of time he puts in, it was impossible to satisfy a balance. We will miss him, but understand how demanding the job can be. Thank you Rich, for your service to the Mayor's office and staff, the City Council, City employees, but most importantly, the residents we all serve. Thank you Rich.

Presented.

#### **D. Required Administrative Submittals - City Manager**

##### **Consent Calendar**

##### **Approval of the Consent Calendar**

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

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

##### **Appointments**

[AP-54-18](#)

##### **The Re-Appointment of Enid Collison-Lee to the Annapolis Education Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-55-18](#)

##### **The Re-Appointment of Jessica Pachler to the Annapolis Education Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-57-18](#)

##### **The Re-Appointment of Jacqueline Wells to the Board of the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-58-18](#)      **The Re-Appointment of Kevin A. Chase to the Ethics Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-60-18](#)      **The Re-Appointment of Janet Norman to the Annapolis Education Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-62-18](#)      **The Appointment of Lillie Odessa Ellis to the Annapolis Education Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-63-18](#)      **The Appointment of Laura Graham Booth to the Annapolis Education Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[AP-65-18](#)      **The Appointment of Kenneth Starkes to the Annapolis Education Commission**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

## First Readers

[O-8-19](#)      **Grow Annapolis, Inc. Lease Agreement - For the purpose of approving the lease for certain City-owned property located at the corner of Jefferson Street and Brashears Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403, between Grow Annapolis, Inc. and the City of Annapolis; and matters generally relating to said lease.**

***Sponsors:*** Buckley, Finlayson, Savidge and Arnett

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[R-7-19](#)      **Non-Profit Vendors During Fall Boat Shows - For the purpose of authorizing sales by certain vendors in the City Dock area of the Historic District during the Fall 2019 U.S. Sailboat and Powerboat Shows.**

**Sponsors:** Tierney

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[R-8-19](#)

**Itinerant Merchant Sales in the Historic District - 2019 - For the purpose of authorizing hawker, peddler, and itinerant merchant sales in the Historic District in conjunction with certain special events during calendar year 2019.**

**Sponsors:** Tierney

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[R-9-19](#)

**Pride of Baltimore II - Docking Fee Waiver - For the purpose of waiving the fees for docking the Pride of Baltimore II at the Annapolis City Dock on March 25, 2019, and March 29-April 1, 2019, in celebration of “Maryland Day.”**

**Sponsors:** Buckley

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[R-10-19](#)

**2019 Annapolis Film Festival - Circulator Fee Waiver - For the purpose of identifying the 2019 Annapolis Film Festival Special Event that will be held during March 21-24, 2019; and waiving the fee for running the circulator during that event.**

**Sponsors:** Finlayson and Buckley

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

## End of Consent Calendar

## Public Hearings

[O-6-19](#)

**The Conveyance of part of the unimproved portion of the City-owned right of way containing the road bed of Castlegate Drive to Lee, et al., LLC - For the purpose of approving the conveyance of part of the unimproved portion of City-owned right of way containing the road bed of Castlegate Drive to Lee, et al., LLC; expressly authorizing said conveyance to be made at private sale and not at public auction; and matters generally relating to said conveyance.**

**Sponsors:** Rodriguez

Speaker:

Dr. Albert Lee, 1606 Forest Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing  
Drs. Lee, Bonfiglio, Vesely, & Associates

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

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing O-6-19 closed.

[O-7-19](#)

**Special parking permit for transport, shuttles and contractors -  
Application Procedure - For the purpose of amending the deadline for  
submission of a special parking permit application for transport,  
shuttles and contractors.**

Sponsors: Buckley and Tierney

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

Mayor Buckley declared the public hearing O-7-19 closed.

[R-6-19](#)

**Annual Statement of Performance Standards - For the purpose of  
approving the annual performance statements filed by City agencies  
and departments.**

Sponsors: Buckley

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

Mayor buckley declared the public hearing R-6-19 closed.

## **Legislative Action**

### **Second Readers**

[CA-2-18](#)

**Aldermanic Titles - Charter Updates - For the purpose of  
including gender specific designations for certain members of the  
City Council in the Annapolis City Charter.**

Sponsors: Finlayson, Pindell Charles and Tierney

Alderman Arnett moved to adopt CA-2-18 on second reader. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Alderwoman Finlayson moved to adopt CA-2-18 on third reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:



**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

[R-4-19](#)

**State Mandated Annual Appropriation for City of Annapolis Services - For the purpose of expressing the Annapolis City Council’s support of House Bill 129 and Senate Bill 156, titled Mandated Appropriation - City of Annapolis - Services.**

**Sponsors:** Paone

**Alderman Arnett moved to adopt R-4-19 on second reader. Seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, Alderman Paone, Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Rodriguez, Alderwoman Henson, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

*The order of the agenda was amended to allow for Items removed from the Consent Calendar*

**Business and Miscellaneous**

[GT-3-19](#)

**Parking Fund; Transfer to Transportation to Garages-Professional Services; \$400,000**

Alderman Arnett moved to approve GT-3-19. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[SA-44-19](#)

**APD - General Fund; FY2018 Fund Balance Assigned for Contingencies to Police Department-Contract Services (CAD/RMS Project); \$246,200**

City Manager Sutherland was present and answered questions from council.

Alderman Arnett moved to approve SA-44-19. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

*The order of the agenda was resumed.*

**Adjournment**

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.**

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