City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, February 5, 2026

6:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Rules and City Government Committee

Call To Order

Alderman Smith-Brown called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Alderman Smith-Brown, Alderman Schandelmeier and Alderman Thorp

Approval of Agenda (any changes to the agenda should be made here)

Alderman Thorp moved to approve the Regular Meeting agenda. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Business and Miscellaneous

Election of Chairman Pursuant to City Code Section 2.16.120

Alderman Thorp moved to nominate Alderman-Smith Brown to be the chair of the Rules & City Government committee. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Legislation

O-41-25 **FY 2026 Changes in Exempt Service Job Classification**

For the purpose of updating the classification grades for City employees in exempt service positions; and generally related to City employee salaries for exempt service positions.

Sponsors: Littmann

Attachments: O-41-25 First Reader
O-41-25 Fiscal Impact Note
O-41-25 Staff and Staffing Impact Report
O-41-25 Deputy Chief of Staff Presentation

Alderman Schandelmeier joined the committee at 6:45 pm.

Chief of Staff Garrity was present to answer questions from the committee.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to recommend O-41-25 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

O-1-26 **Property Tax - Child Care Centers, Family Child Care Homes, and Large Family Child Care Homes**

For the purpose of creating real property tax credits for child care providers who own the property where they operate a state-licensed or registered child care center, family child care home, or large family child care home; allowing businesses of a certain size that own their property and have on-site child care facilities to participate in the tax credit program; setting the real property tax credit at a maximum of $10,000; and generally related to tax credits for child care providers.

Sponsors: Schandelmeier and O'Neill

Attachments: O-1-26 First Reader
O-1-26 Legislative Summary
O-1-26 Staff and Staffing Impact Report
O-1-26 Fiscal Impact Note
O-1-26 Amendment 1 - Schandelmeier

Acting City Manager Buckland and Assistant City Attorney Leonard were present to answer questions from the committee.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to postpone O-1-26 until the March 5th, 2026 meeting. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

General Discussion

ID-19-26 Land Value & Infrastructure Study Presentation

Attachments: 2.5.26 -Rules Committee:Urban3 Presentation

Acting City Manager Buckland and Chief of Comprehensive Planning Leshinsky were present to answer questions from the committee.

Adjournment

Alderman Smith-Brown would like to invite a member from the Maryland State Board of Elections or County Board of Elections to a future Rules & City Government meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Kalyn Jackson
City Council Associate

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