

City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401*



Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, March 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 6:33 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 adopt as amended to add ID-54-26:Employee Relations Discussion to the March 5th, 2026 Regular Meeting agenda. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Business and Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

[RCG 2.5.26](#) Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [RCG 2.5.26](#)

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to approve RCG 2.5.26. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Legislation

[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 Report UPDATED , incl. Amemdment 1](#)

[O-1-26 Amendment 1 - Schandelmeier](#)

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

Alderman Smith-Brown requested a representative from the State and County that can speak to the Child Care tax credit that is in effect on the County and State level, come to the next meeting April 2nd, 2026 to .

Alderman Thorp moved to postpone O-1-26 until the next meeting April 2nd, 2026. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

General Discussion

[ID-44-26](#)

Future Election Discussion

Attachments: [History of Annapolis Election Administration - 2009 to present](#)

Assistant City Manager Buckland, City Clerk Watkins-Eldridge, Assistant City Attorney Leonard, State Administrator of Elections Jared DeMarinis, Anne Arundel County Board of Supervisors of Elections Director David Garreis, Anne Arundel County Board of Supervisors of Elections Deputy Director Richard Siejack were present to answer questions from the committee.

[ID-54-26](#)

Employee Relations Discussion

Assistant City Manager Buckland, Assistant City Attorney Leonard and Employee Relations Administrator Barber were present to answer questions from the committee.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Kalyn Jackson
City Council Associate

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