

# City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401*



## **Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025**

**6:30 PM**

**Regular Meeting**

**Mayor John T. Chambers Jr.,  
City Council Chambers**

**Economic Matters Committee**

Call To Order

Alderman Schandelmeier called the regular meeting at 6:36 pm.

Roll Call

**Present:** 2 - Alderman Schandelmeier and Alderman Savidge

**Absent:** 1 - Alderman Gay

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

Alderman Savidge moved to adopt the Regular Meeting agenda as amended to move O-32-24 to the top. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

**Business and Miscellaneous**

**Approval of Minutes**

[EMC](#) Regular Meeting Minutes  
[12.18.24](#)

**Attachments:** [EMC 12.18.24](#)

Alderman Savidge moved to approve EMC 12.18.24. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

**Legislation**

[O-32-24](#)

**Fire Sprinkler System Requirement Clarification** - For the purpose of clarifying that the fire sprinkler systems requirements of § 17.20.120(A) and when the requirement goes into effect; updating subsections B through D to comply with current national standards; reformatting the section; and generally dealing with City fire sprinkler requirements.

**Attachments:** [O-32-24 First Reader](#)

[O-32-24 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-32-24 Staffing Impact Report](#)

[O-32-24 Staff Report revised](#)

[O-32-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

[O-32-24 Amendment 1 - Finlayson \(Rules & City Government Committee\)](#)

[O-32-24 Amendment 2 - Schandelmeier \(Economic Matters Committee\)](#)

**Fire Marshall Captain Zapata and Fire Protection Engineer Ruth was present to answer questions from the committee.**

**Amendment #1 - No action taken.**

**Amendment #2 -**

**On page 2, in line 30, strike 2027 and after "February 28"; insert "2032".**

**Alderman Savidge moved to recommend Amendment #1 favorably. Seconded.**

**CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Alderman Savidge moved to recommend O-32-24 favorably as amended.**

**Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

[O-10-24](#)

**Outdoor Dining Requirements in Annapolis** - For the purpose of codifying and consolidating the City's outdoor dining programs; defining outdoor dining and its different types; requiring permits for outdoor dining; setting common standards for outdoor dining; creating a fund for outdoor dining permit fees to be used for alternative transportation options when restaurants use their parking lot for outdoor dining; making technical corrections to the various code sections to conform with the outdoor dining section; and generally dealing with restaurant standards for outdoor dining.

**Sponsors:** Arnett, Savidge and O'Neill

**Attachments:** [O-10-24 First Reader](#)  
[O-10-24 Legislative Summary](#)  
[O-10-24 Fiscal Impact Report](#)  
[O-10-24 Staffing Impact Report & Staff Report](#)  
[O-10-24 Planning Commission Report](#)  
[O-10-24 Public Notice of Hearing](#)  
[O-10-24 Capital Gazette Affidavit of Public Hearing Notice](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 2 - Savidge](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 2A - Huntley \(Finance Cmte. 2nd Degree Amdt.\)](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 3 - O'Neill](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 3A - Huntley \(Finance Cmte. 2nd Degree Amdt.\)](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 4 - O'Neill](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 4A - Huntley \(Finance Cmte. 2nd Degree Amdt.\)](#)  
[O-10-24 Amendment 5 - Huntley](#)

**Alderman Arnett and Legislative & Policy Analyst were present to answer questions from the committee.**

**Guest Speakers:**

**Mike Tomasini**  
212 Eastern Avenue  
Annapolis MD, 21401

**Richard Franyo**  
29 Eastern Ave  
Annapolis MD, 21401

**Amendment #1 - Alderman Savidge moved to postpone. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Amendment #2 - Alderman Savidge moved to recommend Amendment #2 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

**Amendment #3 - No action taken. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.**

Alderman Savidge moved to postpone O-10-24 until the next meeting March 19th, 2025. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-23-24](#)

**Parking and Towing Regulations** - For the purpose of eliminating the requirement that towing companies be within one mile of the City; allowing City contractors to oversee towing; and generally updating parking and towing regulations in Titles 7 and 12.

**Sponsors:** Schandelmeier, Pindell Charles and Huntley

**Attachments:** [O-23-24 First Reader](#)  
[O-23-24 Legislative Summary](#)  
[O-23-24 Staffing Impact Report](#)  
[O-23-24 Staff Report revised](#)  
[O-23-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Savidge moved to recommend O-23-24 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

**General Discussion**

[ID-23-25](#)

Economic Development Update

**Attachments:** [Economic Matters Office of Economic Development December 2024 Report](#)  
[Economic Matters Office of Economic Development February 2025 Report](#)

[ID-47-25](#)

Annapolis Disparity Study Update

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Kalyn Jackson  
City Council Associate

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