

City of Annapolis

160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401



Standing Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Friday, January 3, 2025

1:00 PM

Regular Meeting - VIRTUAL

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Rules & City Government Committee

Call To Order

Alderman Finlayson called the Regular Meeting to order at 1:04 pm.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Alderman Finlayson, Alderman Arnett and Alderman Schandelmeier

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

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

Business and Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

[RCG 12.6.24](#) Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [RCG 12.6.24](#)

**Alderman Arnett moved to approve RCG 12.6.24. Seconded. CARRIED on
voice vote.**

Legislation

[O-29-24](#)

Fence Permit Requirements Related to Buildings and Construction Standards in Title 17

- For the purpose of requiring a completed application and permit issued before removing fences of a certain size; requiring plans to show the location of trees of a certain size; and clarifies when a stop-work order will be issues; reformatting these sections to current Code style; and generally related for fence requirements in Title 17.

Sponsors: Savidge and Arnett

Attachments: [O-29-24 First Reader](#)

[O-29-24 Legislative Summary](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Staff Report](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Staff Report UPDATED](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Staffing Impact Report](#)

[O-29-24 and O-30-24 Fiscal Impact Report](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 1 - Savidge](#)

[O-29-24 Amendment 2 - Savidge](#)

Alderman Savidge, Alderman Gay, Planning & Zoning Director Jakubiak and Senior Land Use & Development Planner Meekins were present to answer questions to the committee.

Alderman Arnett requested to be added as a sponsor.

Rules Amendment #1 - Page 2 Line 18 -

Strike "over 400ft in length shall be removed or demolished"

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Rule Amendment #1 favorably.

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Rules Amendment #2 - Page 3 Line 1 -

Strike "Over five inches"

Insert "within 3 feet"

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Rule Amendment #2 favorably.

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Savidge Amendment #1 - Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Savidge Amendment #1 favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Savidge Amendment #2 - Insert as d. On page 2. Line 27.

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend Savidge Amendment #2 favorably.

Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

The committee requested "staff impact note" and "fiscal impact note" be attached by next meeting.

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to postpone O-29-24 until the next meeting February 7th, 2025.. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

[O-35-24](#)

Fair Cannabis Employment Practices- For the purpose of updating the City of Annapolis employment policy as a result of the State legalizing cannabis use and possession on July 1, 2023, and generally related to city employment policy.

Sponsors: Savidge, Gay, Huntley, O'Neill and Arnett

Attachments: [O-35-24 First Reader](#)
[O-35-24 Legislative Summary](#)
[O-35-24 Sponsor's Report](#)
[O-35-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[O-35-24 Staff Report](#)
[O-35-24 Amendment 1 - Buckley](#)

Alderman Savidge, Alderman Gay, Human Resources Manager Hopkins and Policy & Legislative Analyst Reuter were present to answer questions from the committee.

Guest Speaker:
Paul Armentano
Fredrick MD

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend O-35-24 favorably. **Seconded. CARRIED** on voice vote.

[R-53-24](#)

FY 2025 Changes to Executive Pay Ranges - For the purpose of updating the Fiscal Year 2025 annual position classifications and grades; and specifying an effective date.

Sponsors: Buckley

Attachments: [R-53-24 First Reader](#)
[R-53-24 Staff Report](#)
[R-53-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to postpone R-53-24 until next meeting February 7th, 2025. **Seconded. CARRIED** on voice vote.

[R-54-24](#) **FY 2025 Changes in the Position Classifications and Pay Plan** - For the purpose of updating the Fiscal Year 2025 annual position classifications and grades; and specifying an effective date.

Sponsors: Buckley

Attachments: [R-54-24 First Reader](#)
[R-54-24 Staff Report with table](#)
[R-54-24 Fiscal Impact Note](#)
[R-54-24 Amendment 1 - Savidge](#)
[R-54-24 Amendment 2 - Huntley](#)
[R-54-24 Amendment 3 - Savidge](#)

Alderman Arnett moved to postpone R-54-24 until next meeting February 7th, 2025.. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

General Discussion

[ID-173-24](#) Comprehensive Rezoning Discussion

Alderman Schandelmeier moved to postpone ID-173-24 until next meeting February 7th, 2025. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Kalyn Jackson
City Council Associate

Anyone needing reasonable accommodation to be able to participate in a public meeting held by the City of Annapolis should contact Kalyn Jackson at 410.263.7030, by MD Relay (711), or by email at kajackson@annapolis.gov at least five days prior to the meeting date to request assistance. We encourage citizens to attend and participate in City Council Meetings.

If you are unable to attend, the meetings can be viewed live on Channel 99/100 for all Comcast subscribers and on Channel 34 for Verizon customers.

The meeting can also be viewed on computer and mobile devices by going to <http://bit.ly/1gCd4pL>, and on Facebook by selecting: <http://www.facebook.com/CityofAnnapolis> and on Youtube by selecting: <http://www.youtube.com/CityofAnnapolis> during the meetings. If you miss the live meeting, recordings are available for viewing on <http://www.facebook.com/CityofAnnapolis> and <http://www.youtube.com/CityofAnnapolis>.