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February 9, 2009

Dr. Matthew L. Jones, of Concord Baptist Church, led the Council in Prayer.

The President and members of the Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The City Council of Baltimore met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, President, and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Holton, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke

Councilmember Young, duly seconded, made a motion to journalize the invocation. It was so ordered.

Dear Lord, we humble ourselves before thee in these trying, trying times. Recognizing that all of our help comes from thee. We come asking thee to navigate us through our storms of life, and anchor us even while in the midst of troubled waters. And now we submit ourselves unto thee who is the author and finisher of our Faith, the one who is the Ground of our being, and the Unmoved Mover, our Father, Amen.

SHOWCASE BALTIMORE

Denise Dobson-McDonald, Assistant Principal, and the winners of Highlandtown Elementary/Middle School's Inaugural Speech Contest, Yolanda Mokuba, Kimberlee Jeter, and Jashawna McCullough, delivered a presentation.

Councilmember Reisinger made a motion, which was seconded, to journalize the State of the City Address given by Mayor Sheila Dixon at the Special Meeting of the City Council, Committee of the Whole, on February 9, 2009. The motion was approved.

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS BY MAYOR SHEILA DIXON

Good afternoon, President Rawlings Blake, and Members of the Council. Thank you for inviting me here this afternoon.

To my entire Cabinet and my Team of outstanding workers, Family and Friends, and most importantly, the citizens of Baltimore. Today, as I look across this wonderful city, I'm proud to say that the Baltimore spirit of innovation is alive and well and the state of our city is strong and resilient.

For the past two years we have seen great progress towards a cleaner, greener, healthier and safer Baltimore. We are finding new ways to tackle old problems. And as we succeed, others are taking note.

We are showing how one city can turn the tide on violence by getting illegal guns off our streets and making our neighborhoods safe again.

We are showing how to learn from tragedy by making our fire department one of the best in the nation.

We are showing how to fight global warming and how saving our planet through responsible and conscience choices will create jobs and opportunities.

We are showing how, through partnerships with our neighbors in surrounding counties, to build a transportation system that works for the century ahead.

We are showing how to turn around our school system, one student, one parent, and one school at a time.

Ladies and gentlemen it is clear at this point, and moving forward that we must summon the courage to join together in a unity of purpose. A purpose linked with a sense of urgency to partner in pursuit of a smarter and more effective government.

This spirit and these times remind me of a quote I like from former Congresswoman, Barbara Jordan: *"We can not improve on the system of government handed down to us by the founders of the Republic, but we can find new ways to implement that system and realize our destiny"*.

As compared to many cities around the country, Baltimore's economy is performing relatively well. Both Business Week and Forbes Magazine listed us as one of the best places to weather this recession.

By making our city more livable – by investing in the things that matter to our citizens – more and more residents and businesses are choosing to stay in Baltimore. How do we know? As

many cities have seen double digit declines in homes values, the average value of a house sold in Baltimore actually increased last year.

On the business front, three major employers will expand into new office buildings this year, representing a combined investment of more than \$300 million dollars and adding more than a thousand jobs.

And we're seeing real growth in our two largest industries: health care and tourism. Our merger of BACVA and the Convention Center already is producing great results, and showing dividends.

Just seven months into this fiscal year, we are already at 80% towards our goal of booking 475,000 room nights for the convention hotel.

Despite the slowing economy, several major redevelopment projects moved forward in 2008. With the support of you, the City Council, we passed legislation to help build the infrastructure needed to create an entirely new mixed use, mixed income, green community in Westport on the west shore of the Middle Branch.

On Baltimore's Westside, the billion dollar transformation of the project called State Center achieved an important milestone last year with the Council's approval of the master plan. By incorporating green building practices, inclusionary affordable housing, the highest quality architecture and an emphasis on public transportation, these developments showcase the great potential of Baltimore's competitive strengths.

In the past year, we have seen neighbors come together with City government in partnership with the State to define success for the Red Line – not just as a transportation project, but serve as a blueprint to strengthen neighborhoods, restore our environment, and put Baltimore to work. More than 60 community associations and advocacy groups signed on to the Red Line Community Compact.

As questions and concerns about the final Red Line route still exist; we know that through the Community Compact, every community along the proposed route will benefit. Over the next year, we will continue to work together – with the City Council, our State legislators, the Governor and our federal partners – to make the push for as much support for this project as possible. We will unify around the Red Line as our neighbors in the Washington suburbs have done effectively for decades.

And, we will make good on our promises contained in the Community Compact – by identifying job training programs, preparing students at Edmondson-Westside High School for the jobs that will come, and making investments in neighborhoods that have accepted the Red Line. Together we will transform a corridor once known as the “highway to nowhere” into a state-of-the-art transportation network.

While we focus on growing our economic base, we must remain steadfast in our commitment to create affordable housing opportunities for our citizens.

In 2008, we increased affordable housing opportunities by nearly 2,500 units across the city through construction and enhanced utilization. For example, last year we began building the first new homes in Oliver in over 50 years.

We must also realize that some of our city residents don't have homes and those numbers are increasing. I encourage my City Council colleagues to support the legislation in front of you that will allow us to break ground this year on a 275-bed emergency housing and resource center to serve our most vulnerable population. This is a critical part of our Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness.

We are committed to our communities and giving families a healthy and safe environment to live. Too many of our neighborhoods are hindered from reaching their full potential due to the proliferation of vacant houses.

It is time for us to try bold new initiatives.

Last year, at my request, the state passed legislation allowing Baltimore to create the Land Bank Authority. The City now owns about twenty five percent (25%) of all vacant residential buildings in Baltimore. These buildings are not in livable condition, and many are either beyond repair or are too costly to repair. Dilapidated buildings are safety and fire hazards, cause damage to adjoining properties, and cost the City money!

I want to thank Council President Rawlings-Blake, Comptroller Pratt, and the members of the Land Bank Task Force for their hard work in preparing for introduction this valuable legislative tool for acquiring, maintaining, and selling abandoned properties.

And now we must finish the job and pass this legislation!

A cornerstone of my administration since day one has been for a cleaner and greener Baltimore. Last year we implemented single stream recycling that increased our city's recycling efforts by 30%. We launched Tree Baltimore with the goal to double the city's tree canopy in 30 years. On February 5, the Baltimore City Planning Commission adopted the Baltimore City Sustainability Plan.

This significant document, developed with input from more than 1,000 of our citizens, lays out a broad, inclusive, and community-responsive sustainability agenda for government, businesses and individuals. The plan represents a critical first step towards meeting the environmental, social and economic needs of our city without compromising the ability of future generations to meet its needs. On behalf of future generations, I want to thank the Office of Sustainability and Sustainability Commission for its hard work on this far reaching plan.

And just today we proposed to the City Council our newest plan to be clean and green with our 1+1 trash pickup and recycling program. Among many other benefits, transitioning to once a week trash pick up and once a week recycling pick up will allow us to tackle a problem that has plagued Baltimore for years – dirty alleys and dirty streets.

Going forward, we must allocate our resources better within city government. This administration will be conducting the first ever “citizens survey.” This survey will allow us to hear directly from you to guide us in providing the most effective and cost efficient services. We are also implementing various cost containment measures to maintain our increased bond rating.

At the end of the day, our focus this year is to put Baltimore to work, initiate fiscal discipline and assist all those who have been directly affected most by this unstable economy. The rise in unemployment has resulted in a record number of city residents using our One-Stop Career Centers. Over 60,000 visits have been made to the centers since July- that's almost a 30% increase as compared to last year during the same time period.

And, our strong workforce development system operated by our Office of Employment Development is working hard to provide citizens the tools they need to connect or re-connect to jobs.

We are committed to working with businesses, educational institutions, and citizens to make sure that Baltimore City becomes a leader in our nation’s economic recovery. I want the citizens of Baltimore to know that we are doing our best to strengthen our communities and see each other through these unprecedented times.

To face these economic conditions, we must be strong but also safe.

In 2008, Baltimore was a much safer city and we will continue to push for an even safer city in 2009. Through the hard work of Police Commissioner Bealefeld and the Baltimore City Police Department, we saw the homicide rate drop to a historic 20 year low. We achieved this while at the same time reducing police overtime spending by 6 million dollars.

This was accomplished by the hard working men and women of the Baltimore Police Department and our criminal justice partners who demonstrate their commitment and passion for Baltimore every day.

I have said many times before; there are too many illegal guns in our city. And these guns and the criminals who use them must be removed from our city.

Just a few weeks ago, officers Dante Arthur and Daniel Harper were making a drug arrest in the Seton Hill neighborhood. Our brave officers were fired upon by these drug dealers, and Officer Arthur was hit in the process. Fortunately, Officer Harper acted quickly and was able to save his and his partner’s life.

Our prayers are with Officer Arthur and his family for a speedy recovery.

I can't imagine the heartbreak the Arthur family felt when they got the called that night.

I will never forget that morning last September when I received a phone call learning about the tragic loss of someone dear to all of us: former Councilman Ken Harris. We will always remember Ken as a caring husband, a loving father, and a giving friend; who stood with us in this very chamber vigorously fighting for disadvantaged youth.

Ken's death was devastating on so many levels.

Why did this happen to someone who devoted his life to opening doors of opportunity to young people in our City?

We may never know the answer to that, but I believe God has a plan and goodwill come from this evil act.

There are too families who endure the loss of loved ones at the hands of senseless violence. I am fed up with seeing convicted gun offenders released back onto the streets of our City. Police, prosecutors, judges and citizens must have zero tolerance for illegal guns and the criminals that use them.

One of the suspects in Ken's case was convicted of carrying a loaded weapon just one month before his murder. We cannot keep doing the same things and expect better results.

This year, my administration will mobilize a statewide effort to establish mandatory minimum sentences for criminals who are arrested with an illegal, loaded firearm. I've heard the critics in Annapolis before, but illegal guns have only one purpose - to kill.

The people police arrest today with a loaded gun in their cars or on their waistbands are the same people who go out to shoot police officers like Officer Arthur and kill our dear friend Ken Harris. This law will provide an additional resource for law enforcement, prosecutors and courts to get illegal guns and gun offenders off the streets.

In 2006, New York State passed a similar law that changed the offense of carrying an illegal, loaded firearm to a felony. In 2007, New York City posted a 17% reduction in homicides – the lowest number in more than 40 years.

We have the data and we know the facts about illegal guns and the devastation they bring to Baltimore. Ken was a tireless advocate for this type of work within Baltimore. He was more than just a victim of this type of crime, but a crusader who fought against it. I urge all of my colleagues in the City and across the State to join me in honoring the legacy of Ken Harris by getting this law passed and implemented.

We have proven in the past that in Baltimore, we know how to turn tragedy into triumph.

Two years ago today, Rachel Wilson, an apprentice of the Fire Department, lost her life during a live burn training exercise. That event served as a wakeup call to a Fire Department with a long history and storied legacy. Upon arriving in Baltimore, Chief Clack's first task was to develop a culture of safety within the Department. Though not easy, every member of the Fire Department must understand what happened on February 9, 2007, and we must all pledge that it will never happen again on our watch.

I am pleased to report that great progress is being made.

On December 8, 2008, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) issued their final report on Rachel's tragedy. The report details ten specific recommendations for the leadership and membership of the Baltimore City Fire Department (BCFD), and all ten recommendations are being fully implemented by Chief Clack.

I am also proud to announce that the Fire Department's focus on safety and community education helped us achieve a 44 percent reduction in fire deaths in 2008 compared to 2007 while reducing overtime by 7 million dollars. That means 15 fewer families in Baltimore lost a loved one due to a preventable fire.

This tireless effort toward fire safety is seen here today in the sweet face of a 5 year old. A few weeks ago, Alaurra (AH-laura) Thomas saved her parents life by waking them up when she heard the smoke alarm go off. If it wasn't for her quick thinking, we might not be honoring her and her parents here today.

These real life heroes risk their lives for ours everyday and I implore you to thank them for their service the next time you see them.

As a former schoolteacher, I care about the education and well being of every citizen in the city. And Baltimore, we are finally making progress with our schools!

After 40 years of an annual decreased enrollment, we increased enrollment and educated more students this year. We also gave our students and parents more choices in schools by opening 8 new schools this year. Despite the budget shortfall we added 19 pre-kindergarten classrooms that serve an additional 380 students in full-day settings.

We also hired 54 New Principals and 234 former dropouts returned to school.

However, I am most proud of the accomplishments in the classroom. Elementary and High School students met Adequately Yearly Progress Targets for the first time and the number of high schools making Adequate Yearly Progress nearly doubled from 11 to 21 in one year. Additionally, Maryland State Assessment Reading scores improved 11%, and Math scores

improved 7.5%. Our Graduation Rate is at the highest and our dropout rate is at the lowest since state records were first kept in 1996.

However, my vision of educational excellence in Baltimore still isn't fulfilled.

As much as we can control what we teach and how our students learn in the classroom, we need to perform better as parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends to nurture kids outside of the schoolhouse. I will continue the tradition that I began as City Council President of investing in initiatives like community schools, after-school programs, and youth employment through Youth-Works and After-School Matters II.

In 2009, I plan to act on my commitment to develop the human potential of the City's residents by focusing on developing a seamless continuum of service delivery, beginning with improving birth outcomes through school enrollment.

But my commitment does not end when our children enroll in school.

To ensure that our youth are ready for a productive life at 21, I have established the Mayor's Inter-Agency Sub-Cabinet on Youth to manage the coordination of efforts of public-funded programs serving youth at the community level. We have the capacity in our existing programs to reach more young people and their families than we are currently reaching. Outreach to families will be a vital part of maximizing the potential of our youth.

As mayor, every life lost to homicide in this City upsets me, but as a parent to two teenagers, the murders of juveniles infuriate me. We can not stand idly by and watch this generation destroy themselves. This year, I plan to build on the success of the Gun Offender Registry and expand it to include juveniles that are convicted of adult gun crimes.

We know that this is a solution that works.

In the first year of our Gun Offender Registry program, we registered 140 adult gun offenders and only 3 of them have been re-arrested for gun possession. We expect similar results for the juvenile gun offender registry.

However, this isn't just a crime problem, an education problem, an inner-city problem, or even a Baltimore problem; this is a problem for our whole society, our humanity. We need to step up our prevention, intervention and supervision programs.

To that end, I would like to recognize the efforts of several community groups and programs that are working in the trenches to reduce violence. Last year, through the Health Department, my Administration launched Safe Streets. This program has been successful in mediating disputes that might otherwise have resulted in a shooting and I am grateful for their work in our communities.

I would like to also acknowledge the important work of organizations like the Rose Street Community Center and its director Clayton Guy-ton and “On Our Shoulders” and its director Ray Cook. These organizations and individuals have worked tirelessly for years on a daily basis to reach our most disconnected youth in the most dangerous parts of our city. Through their efforts, countless lives have been stabilized; countless lives have been saved.

Today, I implore you to be just like them.

If these men find the time to look out for the rest of us, what is our excuse not to do the same? These are trying times that demand for all of us to pitch in and help one another out. Volunteer, get involved, and show this city the hard work and dedication Baltimore deserves.

Although I have prioritized the city’s financial health this year, my administration is equally engaged in our physical health. We are fortunate to have one of the best Health Departments and Health Commissioners in the country, Dr. Josh Sharfstein and his team. A year ago, this administration passed and implemented the Clean Indoor Air Act paving the way for a statewide indoor smoking ban. This year we will continue to curb smoking and the outrageous health costs that come with the habit by outlawing the sale of single cigars and cigarettes.

Additionally, the department’s 2008 Health Status Report for Baltimore City highlights some severe disparities that exist between many of our neighborhoods. This report was used as a springboard for an initiative that I am positive will be a great step towards making Baltimore a healthier city in 2009: Fit Baltimore.

This initiative is reaching into communities to help prevent diseases caused by poor nutrition and inactivity. As we say at Fit Baltimore, “Don’t just exist. Be. Be Confident. Be positive. And Be Fit Baltimore!”

Finally, the Health Department will be releasing its quarterly report on drug abuse and alcohol intoxication deaths tomorrow. This report, which covers the first three quarters of 2008, finds that intoxication deaths were 34% lower in the first three quarters of 2008 compared to the same period in 2007. This represents approximately 60 fewer deaths.

As we look forward to 2009, we need to build upon the energy of this spirit of renewal, hope and change that President Barack Obama has brought to the nation and yet heed his warnings of tough times ahead.

Yes, we are encouraged by the new tone set in our nation’s capital with a federal partner who understands the importance of urban cities that have been left neglected for way too long. We are in a full court press seeking federal investment to improve our infrastructure with ready to go projects.

As I work with the members of our Congressional delegation, my focus will continue to be on job growth as well as resurfacing our roads, repairing our bridges and providing our children with more modern schools to learn. We are all aware of the poor economic condition of our country and our state which affects this city as well.

But I know the key is to recognize, as this city's dear friend, Bill Cosby, often says, "In order to succeed, our desire for success must be greater than our fear of failure."

We are going to have to make hard decisions that will affect many people's lives.

But I have faith in God. And I believe in the innovative spirit of this city. That spirit of innovation is the very foundation on which this community has celebrated good times and faced down our challenges. You see the great secret is that it is not the government of Baltimore, but it is the people of Baltimore that have ensured that we continue to grow and prosper against enormous odds.

Together we are showing how one dedicated city employee, one innovative city agency, one passionate citizen and one unified city can make all the difference in the world.

I ask you to join me today in looking the naysayers and skeptics in the eyes and reminding them that nothing is impossible to those who truly believe.

When people say we can't, the people of our city simply try a little harder.

That's why we love Baltimore. If we put our minds to it, we can do anything!

Thank you and God bless you and the city of Baltimore.

Now let's get to work!

JOURNAL APPROVED

The Journal of January 26, 2009 was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**APPROVED BY THE MAYOR****OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

January 28, 2009

Honorable Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, President
and Members of the City Council

Dear Council Members:

I am pleased to inform your Honorable Body that I have signed into law this day these bills which are routine and require no special treatment:

C.C. Bill 08-0026 - An Ordinance concerning - Rezoning – Block 2024, Lot 6A, 1000-1050 Hull Street, 1450 Beason Street, 1100 Haubert Street, 1134 Hull Street, 1116 Hull Street, and 1113 Hull Street - For the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as Block 2024, Lot 6A, 1134 Hull Street, and 1116 Hull Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-2-2 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; changing the zoning for the properties known as 1450 Beason Street and 1100 Haubert Street, as outlined in blue on the accompanying plat, from the M-3 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; and changing the zoning of the properties known as 1000-1050 Hull Street, as outlined in green on the accompanying plat, from the M-3 Zoning District to the B-2-3 Zoning District.

C.C. Bill 08-0027 - An Ordinance concerning - Planned Unit Development – Tide Point - For the purpose of repealing the existing Development Plan for the Whetstone Point Planned Unit Development; and approving a new Development Plan for the Tide Point Planned Unit Development.

C.C. Bill 08-0159 - An Ordinance concerning - Rezoning – Properties in Park Heights - For the purpose of changing the zoning for certain properties in Park Heights: as outlined in green on the accompanying amended plats, from the B-1 Zoning District to the OS Zoning District and from the R-6 Zoning District to the OS Zoning District; as outlined in orange on the accompanying amended plats from the B-1 Zoning District to the R-10 Zoning District, from the M-2 Zoning District to the R-10 Zoning District, from the O-R Zoning District to the R-10 Zoning District, and from the R-6 Zoning District to the R-10 Zoning District; as outlined in red on the accompanying amended plats from the B-2 Zoning District to the B-3-1 Zoning District, from the R-5 Zoning District to the B-3-1 Zoning District, and from the R-7 Zoning District to the B-3-1 Zoning District; as outlined in yellow on the accompanying amended plats from the B-2 Zoning District to the R-6 Zoning District, from the B-3 Zoning District to the R-6 Zoning District, from the M-2 Zoning District to the R-6 Zoning District, from the O-R Zoning District to the R-6 Zoning District, and from the R-7 Zoning District to the R-6 Zoning District; as outlined in brown on the accompanying amended plats from the B-3 Zoning District to the B-1-2 Zoning District; as outlined in pink on the accompanying amended plats from the B-3 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District and from the R-6 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District; as outlined in purple on the accompanying amended plats from the B-3 Zoning District to the M-1-1; as outlined in turquoise on the accompanying amended plats from the B-3 Zoning District to the M-2-1 Zoning District; and

as outlined in tan on the accompanying amended plats from the R-6 Zoning District to the R-5 Zoning District.

- C.C. Bill 08-0168** - An Ordinance concerning - City Streets – Opening – Certain Streets Lying Within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project - For the purpose of condemning and opening certain streets lying within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project, bounded by Ashland Avenue, McDonogh Street, Chase Street, and Washington Street, as shown on Plat 348-A-80D in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.
- C.C. Bill 08-0169** - An Ordinance concerning - City Streets – Closing – Certain Streets or Portions of them Lying Within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project - For the purpose of condemning and closing certain streets or portions of them lying within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project, bounded by Ashland Avenue, McDonogh Street, Chase Street, and Washington Street, as shown on Plat 348-A-80E in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.
- C.C. Bill 08-0189** - An Ordinance concerning - City Streets – Opening – Brexton Street - For the purpose of condemning and opening Brexton Street, extending from Park Avenue Northwesterly 71.1 feet, more or less, to Tyson Street, as shown on Plat 114-A-40 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.
- C.C. Bill 08-0190** - An Ordinance concerning - City Streets – Closing – Brexton Street - For the purpose of condemning and closing Brexton Street, extending from Park Avenue, Northwesterly 71.1 feet, more or less, to Tyson Street, as shown on Plat 114-A-40A in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.
- C.C. Bill 08-0256** - An Ordinance concerning - Ticket Sales – Public Carriers - For the purpose of repealing obsolete or otherwise unnecessary provisions prohibiting transactions involving certain tickets, reservations, or passenger accommodations issued by railroads or other public carriers.

Sincerely,

Sheila Dixon
Mayor

INTRODUCTION AND READ FIRST TIME

The President laid before the City Council the following bills and Resolutions of the Mayor and City Council for first reading:

Bill No. 09-0277 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance providing a Supplementary Special Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$3,021,730 to the Department of Transportation – Program 234 (Transit and Marine Services), to provide funding for the operation of a Downtown Circulator system; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Department of Transportation, Department of Finance, Board of Estimates, Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Bill No. 09-0278 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance repealing the existing Reisterstown Plaza Urban Renewal Plan and replacing it by designating as a “Renewal Area” an area situated in Baltimore City, Maryland known as Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station, bounded generally by Northern Parkway on the south and east, Reisterstown Road on the north, and the western Baltimore City boundary line on the west; approving a Renewal Plan for Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station; establishing the objectives of the Plan; establishing permitted land uses in the Renewal Area; providing that where there may be a conflict between the provisions of the Renewal Plan and the provisions of any Planned Unit Development, the provisions of the Planned Unit Development control; providing for review of all plans for new construction, exterior rehabilitation, change in use, or demolition of any property; providing that the provisions of the Zoning Code apply to the properties in the Project Area; providing for the term of the Plan; approving an Appendix and certain exhibits to the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Baltimore Development Corporation, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Transportation, Urban Affairs and Aging Committee.

Bill No. 09-0279 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance changing the zoning for certain properties or portions of them in the Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station Urban Renewal area: as outlined in blue on the accompanying plats, from the B-3-1 Zoning District to the B-2-1 Zoning District; as outlined in green on the accompanying plats, from the R-6 Zoning District to the O-R-2 Zoning District; as outlined in pink on the accompanying plats from the M-1-1 Zoning District to the O-R-2 Zoning District; as outlined in yellow on the accompanying plats from the R-6 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District; and as outlined in purple on the accompanying plats from the M-1-1 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Baltimore Development Corporation, Land Use and Transportation Committee.

Bill No. 09-0280 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance condemning and closing a 15-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as Nos. 2501/2507 through 2511/2517 Eutaw Place, extending from Chauncey Avenue, Northwesterly 108.0 feet, more or less, to the southeast side of a 15-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as Nos. 914 through 934 Chauncey Avenue, as shown on Plat 316-C-1 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Department of Transportation, Baltimore Development Corporation, Highways and Franchises Subcommittee.

Bill No. 09-0281 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain parcels of land known as the former beds of certain streets or portions of them lying within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project, bounded by Ashland Avenue, McDonogh Street, Chase Street, and Washington Street, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Department of Real Estate, Department of Finance, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee.

Bill No. 09-0282 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance condemning and closing Hawkins Point Road, extending from Fort Armistead Road Southwesterly 449.8 feet, more or less, to an access ramp to northbound Interstate Route No. 695, as shown on Plat 114-A-50 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Department of Transportation, Baltimore Development Corporation, Highways and Franchises Subcommittee.

Bill No. 09-0283 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Hawkins Point Road extending from Fort Armistead Road, Southwesterly 449.8 feet, more or less, to an access ramp to northbound Interstate Route No. 695 and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Department of Real Estate, Department of Finance, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee.

Bill No. 09-0284 - By the Council President (The Administration):

An Ordinance amending the City Code to enable the City's "One Plus One" Collection Program; defining and redefining certain terms; conforming varied provisions governing the handling, placement, and collection of trash, garbage, debris, and other mixed refuse; modifying the specifications for required receptacles; repealing certain obsolete provisions; modifying and conforming certain penalties; conforming, correcting, and clarifying related provisions; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the collection of mixed refuse and recyclable materials.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the City Solicitor, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Health Department, Department of Finance, Environmental Control Board, Baltimore Development Corporation, Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee.

Bill No. 09-0285 - By Councilmember Reisinger (by request):

An Ordinance approving certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Chesapeake Paperboard Planned Unit Development.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Fire Department, Baltimore Development Corporation, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Transportation, Land Use and Transportation Committee.

The President laid before the City Council the following Council Resolutions for first reading:

Bill No. 09-0106R - By Councilmembers Cole, Kraft, President Rawlings-Blake, Councilmembers Curran, Henry, D'Adamo, Middleton, Reisinger, Conaway, Spector, Welch:

A Resolution requesting that the Baltimore City Council through the Community Development Subcommittee review and approve the Outer Harbor Initiative.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Real Estate, Baltimore Development Corporation, Police Department, Department of Finance, Community Development Subcommittee.

Bill No. 09-0107R - By President Rawlings-Blake, Councilmembers Middleton, Henry, Young, Curran, Cole, Kraft, D'Adamo, Clarke, Branch, Reisinger, Welch, Conaway:

A Resolution requesting the Baltimore Police Commissioner to report to the City Council on the status of the CCTV camera program; the phase out of the original blue-light cameras and replacement with closed circuit units; the increase in certain crimes and decline in clearance rates; and the measures in place for monitoring the cameras.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Police Commissioner, Public Safety and Health Committee.

Bill No. 09-0108R - By President Rawlings-Blake, Councilmembers Middleton, Henry, Young, Curran, Cole, Kraft, D'Adamo, Welch, Branch, Reisinger, Conaway, Clarke, Young, Spector:

A Resolution requesting the Baltimore Police Commissioner to report to the City Council on the effect of overtime spending budget cutbacks on crime prevention; and on the efficacy of restructuring the present formation of police districts as well as reporting methods of minor crimes in order to shorten response time and to provide better service to the citizenry.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Police Department, Department of Finance, Public Safety and Health Committee.

Bill No. 09-0109R - By Councilmembers Conaway, Kraft, Cole, Henry, Branch, D'Adamo, Middleton, Reisinger, Young, Holton, Clarke, Welch, Curran, Spector:

A Resolution requesting the Senior Vice President of Customer Relations and Account Services for BGE to report to the City Council on efforts to help customers manage energy costs, the programs offered to customers to assist them in paying for energy, and the effectiveness of existing programs in preventing the termination of energy services to lower-income customers.

The bill was read the first time and referred to the Urban Affairs and Aging Committee.

CONSENT CALENDAR

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS NO. 1644, 1645, 1646, 1647, 1648, 1649, 1650, 1651, 1652, 1653, 1654, 1655, 1656, 1657, 1658, 1659, 1660, 1661, 1662, 1663, 1664, 1665, 1666, 1667, 1668, 1669, 1670, 1671, 1672, 1673, 1674, 1675, 1676, 1677, 1678, 1679, 1680, 1681, 1682, 1683, 1684, 1685, 1686, 1687, 1688, 1689, 1690, 1691, 1692, 1693, 1694, AND 1695 ADOPTED UNDER RULE 3-9.

The resolutions were read.

The roll was called on the adoption of the resolutions, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Holton, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The President declared the resolutions adopted under Rule 3-9.

Ceremonial Resolutions will be found at the end of the Journal.

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Councilmember Curran made a motion, which was duly seconded, that the favorable report of the Committee on Executive Appointments be adopted.

The Appointment of

MARK HUSLAGE

Member

COMMISSION:

Mayor's Commission on Disabilities

EXPIRATION OF TERM:

December 6, 2011

The motion prevailed.

The President declared the favorable report adopted.

Councilmember Curran made a motion, which was duly seconded, that the appointment of Mark Huslage be confirmed.

The roll was called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Holton, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The President declared the appointment of Mark Huslage confirmed.

Councilmember Curran made a motion, which was duly seconded, that the favorable report of the Committee on Executive Appointments be adopted.

The Appointment of

PIERCE FLANIGAN, IV

Member

BOARD:

Baltimore City Parking Authority Board

EXPIRATION OF TERM:

December 6, 2011

The motion prevailed.

The President declared the favorable report adopted.

Councilmember Curran made a motion, which was duly seconded, that the appointment of Pierce Flanigan, IV be confirmed.

The roll was called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Holton, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The President declared the appointment of Pierce Flanigan, IV confirmed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BILL NO. 09-0264 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AN AMENDMENT, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Young, for the Budget and Appropriations Committee, reported Bill No. 09-0264 favorably, with an amendment.

An Ordinance transferring a Motor Vehicle Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000 from the Department of Public Works (Account #9958-526-994) to the Department of Recreation and Parks (Account #9938-475-755); and providing for a special effective date.

Amendment to City Council Bill No. 09-0264

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 4, strike “#9936-475-755” and substitute “#9938-475-755”.

The amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0070R REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ADOPTED**

Councilmember Kraft, for the Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0070R favorably.

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

Informational Hearing – Vector Control

FOR the purpose of requesting the Commissioner of the Health Department, the Director of the Bureau of Vector Control, and the members of the Interagency Sweep Team to brief the City Council on the effectiveness of Vector Control Bureau activity in controlling the rat population in City neighborhoods, the success of outreach efforts in enlisting the citizenry in rat eradication efforts, the methods used to measure the efficacy of rat control and abatement efforts, and the level of coordinated, rat-density based, interagency strategic coordination and application for long-term control of the rodent population.

Recitals

The Bureau of Vector Control (VC) of the Baltimore City Health Department “provides services to residents by inspecting and treating sites suspected of having rodent infestation. Inspection and treatment services are provided in response to complaints received at the City’s 311 Call Center or Baltimore CitiTrack Service Request System. They are implemented via strike teams that coordinate targeted neighborhood sweeps. These sweeps are the result of a series of assessments that include meetings with neighborhood residents and community leaders.

Neighborhood sweeps are performed under a comprehensive rodent control initiative known as the Interagency Sweep Team comprising (1) Vector Control of the Health Department, (2) Housing Inspection and Property Maintenance of the Department of Housing and Community Development, and (3) Sanitation Police of the Department of Public Work's Bureau of Solid Waste . Under this dual track approach, personnel from Housing or Public Works clean properties that have become overgrown with high grass and weeds, are full of trash and debris, or littered with unused materials or abandoned vehicles prior to Vector Control's treating and baiting activities.

The most common rodent in the City and surrounding suburbs is the Norway Rat, also known as the Brown Rat. The nearly 3 million rodents in Baltimore are known to destroy, contaminate or eat a wide range of perishables from pet food and fresh food scraps and can gain entrance to a building through any opening larger than ½ inch across. Having exhibited a preference for living underground in burrows made most often alongside building structures, fence lines, walkways, patios, sheds, and under low decks, the Brown Rats will jump up to 3 feet and climb to find food or shelter.

Brown Rats typically live about 1 year, and females may have 4-7 litters of 6-12 young each year, with a total of 30 young expected to live to maturity per year. This is of particular concern for many reasons; most immediate is that rats are a major source of disease. In addition to playing hosts to parasites such as lice, fleas, and ticks, rats are linked to the spread of a number of infectious diseases. These diseases include: leptospirosis, toxoplasmosis, skin disorders, and more familiar diseases such as rabies, salmonella, and bubonic and pneumonic plagues.

In addition to the deleterious affects on the health and welfare of the residents of the City, rats are unwelcome and unsightly hosts to visitors and tourists. Further complicating the issue of rodent control is the fact that the rat population in Baltimore City has not been formally counted in over 50 years. At the introduction of City Council Resolution 07- 272 it was noted that "Baltimoreans have waged a long, intractable war against rodents. In the interest of winning that war, it is essential that the Council receive regular battlefield status reports from the VC agents on the front lines." If we are to continue to grow as a City, attract new residents, and encourage citizens to invest where they live, it is imperative that we maintain our vigilance in controlling the rat population and mitigation against the negative and unwanted affects of the rat population in Baltimore City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Commissioner of the Health Department, the Director of the Bureau of Vector Control, and the members of the Interagency Sweep Team are requested to brief the City Council on the effectiveness of Vector Control Bureau activity in controlling the rat population in City neighborhoods, the success of outreach efforts in enlisting the citizenry in rat eradication efforts, the methods used to measure the efficacy of rat control and abatement efforts, and the level of coordinated, rat-density based, interagency strategic coordination and application for long-term control of the rodent population.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Commissioner of Health, the Director of the Bureau of Vector Control, the Commissioner of Housing and Community Development, and the Director of Public Works or their appropriate designees, the organizations listed in the Planning Department Directory of Community Associations, the Executive Director of the Baltimore Area Convention & Visitors Association, the Executive Director of the Baltimore Convention Center, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.

Favorable report adopted.

The roll was called on the adoption of the Resolution, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Holton, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 15.

Nays - 0.

The President declared the Resolution adopted.

**BILL NO. 08-0217 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Kraft, for the Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0217 favorably.

An Ordinance changing the names of schools, Woodbourne Center #372 and Central Career Center at Briscoe #451, both located at 900 Druid Hill Avenue, to New Hope Academy #345.

Favorable report adopted.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0222 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Kraft, for the Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0222 favorably.

An Ordinance naming an unnamed alley, located between West Northern Parkway and St. Georges Road and parallel with Roland Avenue and Falls Road, Gascony Lane.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmember Young Passing.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0083R, LISTED FOR CONSIDERATION ON THIS MEETING'S
PRINTED AGENDA, TO BE HELD ONE MEETING**

Councilmember Curran, for the Labor Subcommittee, made a motion, which was seconded, to hold Bill No. 08-0083R for consideration at the next Council Meeting. The motion was approved.

**BILL NO. 08-0165 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS,
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Reisinger, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0165 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance approving certain amendments to the Planned Unit Development for 1950 East Fayette Street, 1951 East Fayette Street, and 1921-1939 Orleans Street.

Amendments to City Council Bill No. 08-0165

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in lines 3 and 4, strike “**1950 East Fayette Street, 1951 East Fayette Street, and 1921-1939 Orleans Street**” and substitute “**Gateway at Washington Hill**”; in lines 5 and 6, strike “1950 East Fayette Street, 1951 East Fayette Street, and 1921-1939 Orleans Street” and substitute “**Gateway at Washington Hill**”; in line 19, after “to”, strike “modify the overall” and substitute “**create a certain exception to the**”; and, in line 20, after permitted”, insert “**per retail establishment**”.

Amendment No. 2

On page 2, after line 4, insert

**“SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF
BALTIMORE, That Section 1 of Ordinance 04-859 is amended to read as follows:**

**SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY
COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Mayor and City Council
approves the application of Capital Development, LLC, and Dell
House, LLC, to designate the properties known as 1950 East
Fayette Street, 1951 East Fayette Street, and 1921-1939 Orleans
Street, consisting of 11.14 acres, more or less, as outlined on the**

accompanying Development Plan entitled “Orleans, Wolfe, Baltimore & Washington Streets PUD”, consisting of Sheet 1, “Existing Conditions Plan”, dated May 24, 2004, Sheet 2, “Proposed Conditions Plan”, dated May 24, 2004, as revised [September 17, 2004] OCTOBER 17, 2008, Sheet 3, “Illustrative Site Plan”, dated September 17, 2004, Sheet 4, “Illustrative Development Plan & Urban Design Guidelines”, dated September 17, 2004, and Sheet 5, “Streetscapes & Design Goals”, dated September 17, 2004, to designate the Property a Residential Planned Unit Development under Title 9, Subtitles 1 and 2 of the Baltimore City Zoning Code.”.

Amendment No. 3

On page 2, in line 5, strike beginning with “SECTION” through “BALTIMORE” and substitute “**SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**”; in line 34, strike “2” and substitute “**3**”; and, on page 2, strike lines 11 through 33 and substitute

“(e) Overall retail square footage in the Planned Unit Development area is limited to 60,000 square feet, with a limit of 12,000 square feet per retail establishment EXCEPT FOR ONE FOOD STORE OR GROCERY STORE WITHIN THE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED 20,000 SQUARE FEET.”.

The amendments were read and adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft and Branch out of Chambers.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

BILL NO. 08-0206 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING

Councilmember Reisinger, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0206 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance repealing the existing Development Plan for the Sinai Hospital Planned Unit Development and approving a new Development Plan for the Sinai Hospital-Levindale Planned Unit Development.

Amendments to City Council Bill No. 08-0206

Amendment No. 1

On page 3, in line 5, strike “should” and substitute “*shall*”; on page 3, in line 8, before “blood”, insert “*adult day care centers*.”; in line 10, after “hospitals;”, insert “*housing for the elderly*.”; in line 12, before “parking”, strike “and”; and, in line 13, after “vehicles”, insert “, *as well as facilities for the storage of transportation and related equipment; and residential units as hospitality housing for the families of hospitalized children and adults, as well as for families and patients where the patient is undergoing extended courses of outpatient treatment*”.

Amendment No. 2

On page 3, in line 24, after “uses”, insert “*set forth in this Section 8*”.

The amendments were read and adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft, Cole, Branch, and Clarke out of Chambers.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft, Cole, Branch, and Clarke out of Chambers.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0215 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Reisinger, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0215 favorably.

An Ordinance amending Ordinance 07-609 to include parcel height limits that were previously approved and referenced on an unpublished exhibit but that were inadvertently omitted from the published text of the Ordinance.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft, Curran, Branch, and Clarke out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0223 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS,
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Reisinger, for the Land Use and Transportation Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0223 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance amending Ordinance 02-355 to amend a certain condition and to amend the street address of the property.

Amendments to City Council Bill No. 08-0223

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, after line 19, insert

“
...

5. The maximum number of persons allowed in [the] EACH meeting and banquet hall is [400 persons, or may be less] as determined by the Baltimore City Fire Department.

...

9. The [meeting and banquet hall is] MEETING AND BANQUET HALLS ARE permitted to operate on a temporary basis on the condition that off-street parking be obtained for each event in [the] EACH hall and that this parking may be provided in another garage that may be more than 300 feet from the site.”.

The amendments were read and adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft, Curran, and Branch out of Chambers.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted, with Councilmembers Kraft, Curran, and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0071R, LISTED FOR CONSIDERATION ON THIS MEETING’S
PRINTED AGENDA, TO BE HELD ONE MEETING**

Councilmember Cole, for the Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee, made a motion, which was seconded, to hold Bill No. 08-0071R for consideration at the next Council Meeting. The motion was approved.

**BILL NO. 08-0199 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Cole, for the Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0199 favorably.

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of a portion of Callendar Street, contiguous to the east side thereof and extending from Baltimore Street, Southerly 137.4 feet, more or less, to Booth Street and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmember Young voting Nay and with Councilmembers Curran and Clarke out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0201 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Cole, for the Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0201 favorably.

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of a portion of Baltimore Street, contiguous to the south side thereof and extending from Fremont Avenue, Westerly 247.0 feet, more or less, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmember Young voting Nay and with Councilmembers Curran and Clarke out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0219 REPORTED FAVORABLY, WITH AMENDMENTS,
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Cole, for the Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0219 favorably, with amendments.

An Ordinance providing that property tax credits applicable to the regular, citywide property tax do not apply to the Supplemental Tax imposed in the Waterfront Management District; and providing for a special effective date.

Amendments to City Council Bill No. 08-0219

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 20, strike “and”; and, in line 22, before the period, insert:

“: AND

(III) CREDITS THAT APPLY TO THE REGULAR TAX DO NOT APPLY TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL TAX UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED BY ORDINANCE”.

The amendments were read and adopted, with Councilmembers D’Adamo and Young voting Nay, with Councilmember Holton Passing, and with Councilmembers Curran and Clarke out of Chambers.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted, with Councilmembers D’Adamo and Young voting Nay, with Councilmember Holton Passing, and with Councilmembers Curran and Clarke out of Chambers.

The bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0137 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Welch, for the Urban Affairs and Aging Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0137 favorably.

An Ordinance designating the Raffel Building, 107 West Heath Street, as a historical landmark.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmembers Curran, Holton, and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0170 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Welch, for the Urban Affairs and Aging Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0170 favorably.

An Ordinance designating the Four Bay House, 1733 Aliceanna Street, as a historical landmark.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmember D’Adamo Passing and with Councilmembers Curran, Holton, and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

Journal of the City Council**BILL NO. 08-0171 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Welch, for the Urban Affairs and Aging Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0171 favorably.

An Ordinance designating the Dr. Giering House, 3906 Parkside Drive, as a historical landmark.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmembers Holton and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0175 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Welch, for the Urban Affairs and Aging Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0175 favorably.

An Ordinance designating the Melvin Cade Armory, 2620 Winchester Street, as a historical landmark.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmembers Holton and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

**BILL NO. 08-0177 REPORTED FAVORABLY
AND ORDERED PRINTED FOR THIRD READING**

Councilmember Welch, for the Urban Affairs and Aging Committee, reported Bill No. 08-0177 favorably.

An Ordinance designating the Harford Commons (William Fuld Company), 1508 Harford Avenue, as a historical landmark.

Favorable report adopted, with Councilmembers Curran, Holton, and Branch out of Chambers.

The bill was read the second time and ordered printed for third reading.

THIRD READING

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0136 - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property known as Map 96 Parcel 340, Baltimore County, Maryland and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Clarke - Total 10.

Nays - Councilmember Young - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Spector, Holton, Branch - Total 4.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 09-0138 - An Ordinance designating Saint Paul Community Baptist Church, 1901 East Federal Street, as a historical landmark.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Clarke - Total 12.

Nays - 0.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton, Branch - Total 3.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0152 - An Ordinance condemning and opening (1) Vincennes Avenue, extending from Patterson Avenue, Northwesterly 505.0 feet, more or less, to Ridge Avenue, (2) Ridge Avenue, extending from the Armstrong Avenue, Northeasterly 275.6 feet, more or less, to Vincennes Avenue, and (3) Armstrong Avenue, extending from Ridge Avenue, Northwesterly 475.0 feet, more or less, to Spring Avenue, as shown on Plat 114-A-30 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Clarke - Total 12.

Nays - 0.

Pass - Councilmember Young - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Holton, Branch - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0153 - An Ordinance condemning and closing certain streets or portions of them lying within the area bounded by Patterson Avenue, Parr Avenue, Spring Avenue and the CSX Transportation, Inc. Railroad Right-of-Way, as shown on Plat 114-A-30A in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Branch, Clarke - Total 13.

Nays - 0.

Pass - Councilmember Young - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmember Holton - Total 1.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0172 - An Ordinance designating Mount Calvary Church, 816 North Eutaw Street, as a historical landmark.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Out of Chambers - Councilmember Holton - Total 1.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0173 - An Ordinance designating St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1920 Saint Paul Street, as a historical landmark.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Curran, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 14.

Nays - 0.

Out of Chambers - Councilmember Holton - Total 1.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0174 - An Ordinance designating the Scottish Rite Temple, 3800 North Charles Street, as a historical landmark.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 13.

Nays - 0.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0176 - An Ordinance designating the Nazarene Baptist Church, 1201 Harford Avenue, as a historical landmark.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 13.

Nays - 0.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0178 - An Ordinance designating St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, 700 block of South Ann Street, as a historical landmark.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 12.

Nays - 0.

Pass - Councilmember D'Adamo - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0192 - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain properties known as 916, 1016, and 1018 North Arlington Avenue and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch, Clarke - Total 13.

Nays - 0.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0197 - An Ordinance condemning and opening Callendar Street, extending from Baltimore Street, Southerly 137.4 feet, more or less, to Booth Street, as shown on Plat 114-A-45 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Branch, Clarke - Total 12.

Nays - 0.

Pass - Councilmember Young - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0198 - An Ordinance condemning and closing Callendar Street, extending from Baltimore Street, Southerly 137.4 feet, more or less, to Booth Street, as shown on Plat 114-A-45A in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Branch, Clarke - Total 12.

Nays - 0.

Pass - Councilmember Young - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

The President laid before the City Council:

BILL NO. 08-0200 - An Ordinance condemning and closing a portion of Baltimore Street, contiguous to the south side thereof and extending from Fremont Avenue, Westerly 247.0 feet, more or less, as shown on Plat 111-D-55 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Branch, Clarke - Total 12.

Nays - 0.

Pass - Councilmember Young - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

ENROLLED READING

The President laid before the City Council Enrolled Bill No. 08-0092.

An Ordinance requiring the address number of a building to be affixed or otherwise placed, in a certain manner, at the rear of the building as well as at the front; increasing the penalty for a violation of the laws governing building addresses; extending the time within which to correct a violation; providing for alternative enforcement by environmental citation; conforming, correcting, and clarifying related language; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the numbering of houses and other buildings in the City of Baltimore.

It was read the third time.

The bill being on its final passage, the yeas and nays were called, resulting as follows:

Yeas - President and Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Henry, Spector, Middleton, Conaway, Welch, Reisinger, Cole, Young, Branch - Total 12.

Nays - Councilmember Clarke - Total 1.

Out of Chambers - Councilmembers Curran, Holton - Total 2.

The bill was read and approved, and the bill was declared "Passed".

**MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULES 10-2 AND 10-3
WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 09-0108R**

Councilmember Young made a motion, duly seconded, to suspend Rules 10-2 and 10-3 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 09-0108R.

The motion carried without exception, and the President declared the rules suspended with regard to the bill. Then Councilmember Young announced a hearing date for the bill.

Journal of the City Council**MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-2
WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 09-0263**

Councilmember Cole made a motion, duly seconded, to suspend Rule 10-2 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 09-0263.

The motion carried without exception, and the President declared the rule suspended with regard to the bill. Then Councilmember Cole announced a hearing date for the bill.

**MOTION TO SUSPEND CITY COUNCIL RULE 10-2
WITH REGARD TO BILL NO. 09-0266**

Councilmember Cole made a motion, duly seconded, to suspend Rule 10-2 in order to have an early hearing on Bill No. 09-0266.

The motion carried without exception, and the President declared the rule suspended with regard to the bill. Then Councilmember Cole announced a hearing date for the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Reisinger, duly seconded, the City Council adjourned to meet on Monday, February 23, 2009, at 5:00 p.m.

Consent Calendar

- CR 1644 Cole, Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Angela Lee Mitchell, January 25, 2009.
- CR 1645 Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Willie Harris on the celebration of 65 years of Marriage.
- CR 1646 Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Campbell on the celebration of 57 years of Marriage.
- CR 1647 Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Press on 68 years of Marriage.
- CR 1648 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Kia Richburg-Carr, January 2, 1974 – January 22, 2009.
- CR 1649 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Larry J. Denton on his retirement after 31 years of service with the Baltimore City Department of Public Works.
- CR 1650 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating John A. Canapp on his retirement after more than 35 years of service with the Housing Authority of Baltimore City Housing Operations.
- CR 1651 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Rob Resop on his retirement after 42 years of service with the Baltimore Development Corporation and its predecessor agencies.
- CR 1652 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating William A. Beasman on 17 years of service to the City of Baltimore.
- CR 1653 Spector
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating The Honorable Sheila Dixon, Mayor of Baltimore City, on receiving the Hatzalah Nefashos Award from Hatzalah of Baltimore.
- CR 1654 Spector
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Chief James Clack, Baltimore City Fire Department, on receiving the Hatzalah Nefashos Award from Hatzalah of Baltimore.

- CR 1655 Spector**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Blake R. Warheim on receiving the Medic of the Year Award from Hatzalah of Baltimore.
- CR 1656 Spector**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Katrina A. Hill on receiving the Medic of the Year Award from Hatzalah of Baltimore.
- CR 1657 Conaway**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Emory Wilkins, July 22, 1931 – January 24, 2009.
- CR 1658 Middleton**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Alaurra Townes on her loving, brave, and heroic response to saving human life on Tuesday, January 27, 2009.
- CR 1659 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Reginald Wilson on the celebration of his 85th birthday.
- CR 1660 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Pastor Todd Teary, Ph.D., on being a Vision Award Honoree.
- CR 1661 Cole**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating the Gamerman family on their outstanding leadership and overwhelming contributions to civic dialogue and community engagement through “Baltimore ’68 Riots and Rebirth”.
- CR 1662 Curran**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Captain Thomas Edward Hopkins on 35 years of exemplary leadership and service in the Baltimore County Fire Department.
- CR 1663 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Kim L. Miller, July 27, 1961 – January 23, 2009.
- CR 1664 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Melvin M. Hensler on 40 years of service to the City of Baltimore.
- CR 1665 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Richard Smith on 20 years of service to the City of Baltimore.

- CR 1666** President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Mattie Clark, September 5, 1914 – January 29, 2009.
- CR 1667** Young
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Derek Leighton on the celebration of his 50th birthday, celebration of life, on Wednesday, February 4, 2009.
- CR 1668** President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Ellis Foster on receiving a full athletic scholarship to Rhode Island University.
- CR 1669** Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating the family of the Reverend Nathaniel Adams on his years of service and dedication to Fayette House – Residential Recovery for the Chemically Dependent.
- CR 1670** Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Gregory Fields, James Drew, Delores Beverly, Dennie Gamble, Walter Wedington and Daniel Brock on their years of service and dedication to Fayette House - Residential Recovery for the Chemically Dependent.
- CR 1671** Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Sister M. Virginnie Fish, OSP, on her past service and continued dedication in the cause of the Canonization of Mother Mary Lange, OSP.
- CR 1672** Welch
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Sister Magdala Marie Gilbert, OSP, on becoming the new Lange Guild Director for the Canonization of Mother Mary Lange, OSP.
- CR 1673** President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating the Baltimore City Fire Department Class of February 1954 on the celebration of their 55th Anniversary and for the groundbreaking achievements of Baltimore's First African American Firefighters.
- CR 1674** Middleton
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Kenneth Hill, Sr. on the celebration of his 50th birthday – may God bless him with many more happy, healthy and prosperous years.
- CR 1675** President Rawlings-Blake, All Members
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Epsilon Omega Chapter, on the celebration of its 101st Founder's Day and for its continued commitment to empowering communities through exemplary service initiatives and progressive programs.

- CR 1676 Curran**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Allen E. “Doc” Watson.
- CR 1677 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating the Baltimore City Fire Department Class of October 15, 1953 on their historic appointment to the Baltimore City Fire Department.
- CR 1678 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating the Baltimore City Fire Department Class of December 15, 1953 on the 55th Anniversary of their historic appointment to the Baltimore City Fire Department.
- CR 1679 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating to the family of Arthur “Smoke Stack” Hardy on his world renowned contributions to African American Firefighters and their History.
- CR 1680 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Pack 89 of John Wesley Methodist Church on the Official Birthday of the National Boy Scouts of America, and for their National Partnership with the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
- CR 1681 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Delmar Davis on his service as a pioneer in the Baltimore City Fire Department.
- CR 1682 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Guy Cephus on his contribution to maintaining the legacy of Arthur “Smoke Stack” Hardy.
- CR 1683 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Airport Fire Lieutenant Theodore Rob on his historic promotion to the rank of Officer.
- CR 1684 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Mt. Sinai Temple, Pastor Reverend Frank Branch, on the celebration of the 5th Church Anniversary – may he continue his mission of faith and service for many more years.
- CR 1685 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Yewoineshet Bayou on his stay in the United States of American – the City of Baltimore welcomes him and hopes that he visits our great City again.

- CR 1686 Welch**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating James Crockett on being the only person in the history of the Baltimore City Fire Department to serve as a Firefighter and as President of the Fire Board.
- CR 1687 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Ava Anderson, Kiersten Banaskiewicz, Keirstan Branham, Jenna Brooks, Morrell Brown, Justina Burris, Shabriel Carter, Gordon Cefaloni, Kalyne Compton, Chicky Cruz, Sierra Divel, Kameron Eggleston, Chris Geleta, Christian Harrison, Ryan Homsher, Austin Humphreys, Tommy Hunt, Ronald Jackson, George Jones, Eva Kaminaris, Brittany Kelly, Alecia King, Kody Kotras, Azaria Kwaw, Richardo Lopez, Kaitlyn Maser, Sierria Morales, Martin Murria, Alex Nestor, Shannon O’Dair, Sam Padgett, James Pasko, Deborah Ann Phillips, Timothy Pichardo, Marina Protopapas, Tania Ramirez, Ryan Ransom, Bianca Rivera, Jack Rong, Deboreah Ross, Joseph Savoy, Kendal Slater, Citlaly Sosa, Olivia Suggs, Steven Swann, Tiffany Tusing, Darius Wallace, Joy Wells, Azia Wells, Robert Whitehead, Steven Youngblood and Sandra Zaragoza on taking a ride on the Spectacular Express this January – Toot Toot!
- CR 1688 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of The Honorable Charles H. Smelser, January 29, 2009.
- CR 1689 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Joseph M. “Mr. Joe” Regan, January 23, 2009.
- CR 1690 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Simon Kahle Price, January 20, 2009.
- CR 1691 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Jashawna McCullough, Kimberlee Jeter and Yoland Mokuba on winning the Presidential Inauguration Speech-Writing Contest at Highlandtown Elementary/Middle School.
- CR 1692 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating Highlandtown Elementary/Middle School on its participation in the Presidential Inauguration Speech-Writing Contest and its continued pursuit of academic excellence.
- CR 1693 Kraft**
A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Mark P. Cohen, January 18, 2009.
- CR 1694 Welch**
A City Council RESOLUTION congratulating The New Fayette House on the celebration of 31 years of service to the community as a Recovery House.

CR 1695 President Rawlings-Blake, All Members

A City Council RESOLUTION on the death of Edward William Eldridge, Jr., June 27, 1946 – January 29, 2009.