

CITY OF BALTIMORE
RESOLUTION 24 · 08
Council Bill 23-0380

Introduced by: President Mosby
Introduced and read first time: May 1, 2023
Assigned to: Economic and Community Development Committee

Committee Report: Favorable, as amended
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: April 15, 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CONCERNING

Charter Amendment - Community Reinvestment and Reparations Fund

FOR the purpose of establishing a continuing, non-lapsing Community Reinvestment and Reparations Fund, to be used exclusively to support the work of the Community Reinvestment and Reparations Commission; authorizing the Mayor and City Council, by ordinance, to provide for the oversight, governance, and administration of this Fund; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

BY proposing to add
Article I - General Provisions
Section 20
Baltimore City Charter
(1996 Edition)

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the City Charter is proposed to be amended to read as follows:

Baltimore City Charter

Article I. General Provisions

§ 20. Community Reinvestment and Reparations Fund.

~~(A) DEFINITIONS.~~

~~(1) IN GENERAL.~~

~~IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.~~

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken by amendment.

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1 ~~(B)~~ *AUTHORIZATION.*

2 BY ORDINANCE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE MAY ESTABLISH A
3 CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND FOR PURPOSES OF SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE
4 COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AND REPARATIONS COMMISSION WHICH IS TO PROVIDE
5 SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING TO COMMUNITY-BASED INITIATIVES INTENDED TO BENEFIT
6 LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES DISPROPORTIONATELY HARMED BY GOVERNMENT DRUG
7 PROHIBITION AND ENFORCEMENT POLICIES.

8 (A) *PURPOSE.*

9 THERE IS A CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND FOR PURPOSES OF SUPPORTING THE WORK OF
10 THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AND REPARATIONS COMMISSION, TO THE EXTENT THAT
11 THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION IS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE USE LIMITATIONS IN § 1-322
12 {“COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AND REPAIR FUND”} OF THE STATE ALCOHOLIC
13 BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS ARTICLE.

14 (B) ~~(C)~~ *REVENUE SOURCES.*

15 THE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL COMPRISE:

- 16 (1) DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE STATE COMPTROLLER FROM THE STATE COMMUNITY
17 REINVESTMENT AND REPAIR FUND; AND
18 (2) FUTURE APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

19 (C) ~~(D)~~ *CONTINUING NATURE OF FUND.*

20 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHARTER, UNSPENT PORTIONS OF THE
21 FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION:

- 22 (1) REMAIN IN THE FUND, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THEIR ORDAINED PURPOSES;
23 (2) DO NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL REVENUES OF THE CITY; AND
24 (3) THEIR APPROPRIATIONS DO NOT LAPSE.

25 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this proposed amendment to the City
26 Charter be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of Baltimore City, for adoption or rejection,
27 in accordance with Article XI-A, § 5 of the Maryland Constitution, in the form specified by the
28 City Solicitor.

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Certified as duly passed this 1 day of May, 2024



President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this 1 day of May, 2024



Chief Clerk

Approved this 11 day of July, 2024



Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency
This 7th Day of May, 2024.

Elena R. DiPietro
Chief Solicitor