

## CITY OF SALISBURY

115 S. Division Street, Salisbury, MD 21801

### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

125 N. Division Street, Room 301, Salisbury, MD 21801 Monday, August 25, 2025 6:00 PM

D'SHAWN M. DOUGHTY Council President ANGELA M. BLAKE Council Vice President APRIL R. JACKSON Councilwoman MICHELE R. GREGORY Councilwoman SHARON C. DASHIELL Councilwoman

## **CALL TO ORDER**

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/PLEDGE

**INVOCATION - Pastor Greg Carlson - Park Seventh Day Adventist** 

### **PRESENTATIONS**

• Council Certificate of Recognition - Zach Bridges

## PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

• Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2025 Closed Session #1

March 24, 2025 Legislative Session

March 24, 2025 Closed Session #2

April 14, 2025 Closed Session

April 14, 2025 Legislative Session

April 14, 2025 Work Session

April 28, 2025 Legislative Session

- Manufacturing Exemption Imperial Granite & Quartz, LLC (2024)
- Manufacturing Exemption Clean Air Filters, LLC (2024)

### **ORDINANCES**

- Ordinance for MOOR ORF Opioid Grant Amendment 2nd Reading
  Ordinance No. 2950 amending the grant agreement with the State of Maryland's Office of
  Opioid Overdose Response from \$542,000 to \$623,300 and to approve a budget amendment to
  the grant fund to appropriate these funds for the Salisbury Fire Department.
- Ordinance Accept Equitable Sharing Funds 2nd reading

**Ordinance No. 2951** - to approve a budget amendment of the grant fund budget to appropriate funds received from Wicomico County in the amount of \$150,000 following the dissolution of the multi-jurisdictional Wicomico county Narcotics Task Force

• Budget Amendment for Union Negotiations - 1st Reading
Ordinance No. 2952 - authorizing a budget amendment for the Mayor to appropriate funds for the FY2026 general fund, water and sewer fund, parking fund, and storm water fund for

additional salaries and fringe associated with the union negotiations

• Budget Amendment for Lawsuit Funds - 1st Reading
Ordinance No. 2953 - authorizing a budget amendment to transfer PFAS settlement proceeds
from the water sewer fund to the water sewer capital project fund

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

## ADJOURNMENT/CONVENE INTO WORK SESSION

City Council Meetings are conducted in Open Session unless otherwise indicated. All or part of the Council's meetings can be held in Closed Session under the authority of the Maryland Open Meetings Law, Annotated Code of Maryland General Provisions Article § 3-305(b) by vote of the City Council.

The vote was 4-0 to approve the consent agenda as presented.

AWAR	D OF BIDS – presented by Procurement Director Jennifer Miller
	ent Doughty entertained a motion to award the bid. Ms. Gregory motioned and Ms. ell seconded.
	TB 25-118 Salisbury Fire Department Pumper Engine \$1,283,886.00 TB 25-116 Salisbury Fire Department Station 1 Kitchen Remodel \$145,080.00
The vo	ete was 4-0 in favor.
DECLA	RATION OF SURPLUS - Presented by Procurement Director Jennifer Miller
	ent Doughty entertained a motion to declare the items listed below as surplus. Ms. n motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded.
•	Salisbury Fire Department – defibrillators, radios, and radio accessories
The vo	te was 4-0 in favor.
RESOL	<u>UTION</u> - presented by City Clerk Julie English
•	<u>Resolution No. 3384</u> - to show support for the Bird City Maryland Initiative
Ms. Da 3384.	ashiell motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded. The vote was 4-0 to approve Resolution No.
ORDIN	IANCE – presented by City Attorney Ashley Bosché
•	<u>Ordinance No. 2928</u> $-1^{st}$ Reading $-$ approving a budget amendment to appropriate funds for the 2024 and 2025 Maryland Folk Festivals
Ms. Gı 2928.	regory motioned and Ms. Jackson seconded. The vote was 4-0 to approve Ordinance No.
<u>PUBLI</u>	C COMMENTS
The fo	llowing public comments were made:
•	Speaker #1 addressed the legal conflict between the Salisbury City Code and state law that currently prevents the Board of Zoning Appeals from approving variances related to increased residential density. He emphasized the importance of transparency and public communication throughout the process.

- Speaker #2 recognized former Black councilmembers, reflected on her own contributions as a councilmember and encouraged continued recognition of Black leadership.
- Speaker #3 expressed his frustration over not receiving the agendas through the media list. He urged the Council to prioritize transparency and accountability and requested, for the third time, to be reinstated on the email list.
- Speaker #4 expressed her gratitude for the dedication and involvement of the City leaders.
- Speaker #5 shared concerns about experiencing discrimination within his business. He also expressed concern about a recent code enforcement inspection, alleging that health and safety issues were overlooked to benefit a landlord, and reported ongoing delays in police response time in his neighborhood.
- Speaker #6 asked if the Folk Festival would be relocated due to the proposed new building development downtown. He also shared that he was working on a film project based on his life in Salisbury from 2005-2012 and was seeking historical photos of the City.

## **ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

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Mr. Kitzrow highlighted upcoming City events, including Hops on the River and a new Easter Jeep event. He also expressed his appreciation for the approval of funding for the Maryland Folk Festival.

Mayor Taylor invited the public to attend the Vietnam Veteran Celebration taking place on Saturday. He encouraged both veterans and non-veterans to join and expressed his enthusiasm for the event.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Ms. Jackson requested an update on the long-delayed memorial garden at 617 W. Isabella Street honoring Girty Shockley. She also expressed frustration over the lack of communication regarding the Hometown Hero Banner project. She raised concerns about tractor-trailer traffic damaging residential streets and requested signage to restrict trucks in certain neighborhoods. Lastly, she invited everyone to the Vietnam Veterans Day event.

- 119 Ms. Gregory requested improved signage and stricter enforcement of fines for improperly
- parked vehicles in downtown disabled parking spaces. Additionally, she reported a recent
- meeting with Council President and Senator Alsobrooks through the Eastern Shore Mayor's
- 122 Association. She mentioned she discussed local municipal concerns including grant funding and
- appreciated the Senator's openness to dialogue and support.
- Ms. Dashiell noted that PAC 14 moved to cable channel 4 and highlighted the Junior
- 125 Achievement Inspire event, which connected students with local industries to encourage them
- to remain on the Shore. She shared her participation in a zoo event and mentioned the
- upcoming retirement of Chaska. She encouraged Jeep owners to join the upcoming Easter Jeep
- event, as well as Earth Day activities and a race supporting the bison exhibit.

President Doughty highlighted the recent "Council President for a Day" event, where a local student toured various city departments, including fire, police, and the zoo, and participated in legislative activities. He expressed enthusiasm for expanding partnerships with public schools and noted upcoming collaborations with the zoo, including plans related to a new veterinary school. He noted that the clerk's office was working on a new software program to improve agenda access. He reported a productive meeting with Senator Alsobrooks and emphasized efforts to strengthen regional cooperation through the Eastern Shore Mayor's Association to address shared challenges like federal funding. He also mentioned ongoing work on the "Adopta-Road" program. Mr. Doughty shared excitement about engaging with local students who proposed innovative ideas for urban development and expressed a commitment to involve younger generations in City planning. **ADJOURNMENT** With no further business to discuss, the Legislative Session adjourned at 7:02 p.m. City Clerk Council President 

President Doughty asked for a motion and a second to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms.

Dashiell motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded.

- September 23, 2024 Legislative Session Minutes 46
  - October 7, 2024 Work Session Minutes
  - October 14, 2024 Legislative Session Minutes
  - Resolution No. 3385 appointing Abinesh Saravanan to the Sustainability Advisory Committee for term ending April 2028
  - Resolution No. 3386 appointing Saraleigh Monroe to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee for term ending April 2028
  - Resolution No. 3387 re-appointing Edwin Linderkamp to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee for term ending April 2028
  - Resolution No. 3388 re-appointing Mandel Copeland to the Pubic Art Committee for term ending April 2028

The vote was 4-0 to approve the Consent Agenda.

**AWARD OF BID** – presented by Procurement Director Jennifer Miller

ITB A-25-111 Salisbury Fire Department EMS Medical Supplies \$212,000.00 (4 yr. est.)

President Doughty entertained a motion to award the bid. Ms. Blake motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded. The bid was awarded with a vote of 4-0 in favor.

## **RESOLUTIONS** – presented by City Clerk Julie English

 Resolution No. 3389 – appointing John Rankin to the Election Board for term ending March 2031

Ms. Dashiell motioned and Resolution No. 3389 died for a lack of a second.

Mayor Taylor voiced his frustration that the nomination of John Rankin to the board was not seconded. He noted that Rankin helped revise the board's guidelines, was endorsed by current members, and had shown clear interest and qualifications. Mayor Taylor asked for an explanation, saying it felt unfair and arbitrary not to move the nomination forward.

Resolution No. 3390 – to authorize the City Administrator and the Director of Procurement to act on behalf of the City in executing a contract for the supply of electricity

President Doughty asked for a brief summary of why the resolution was needed. Ms. Miller explained that the current electricity contract ended in May, and final offers from vendors were expected next week. She noted that due to daily energy rates, the contract must be signed the same day the offer was received.

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Ms. Blake motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded, and the vote was 4-0 to approve Resolution No. 3390.

**ORDINANCE** – presented by City Attorney Ashley Bosché

• Ordinance No. 2928 – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading – approving a budget amendment to appropriate funds for the 2024 and 2025 Maryland Folk Festivals

Ms. Gregory motioned and Ms. Blake seconded, and the vote was 4-0 to approve Ordinance No. 2928.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following public comments were made:

• Speaker #1 commented on the inability to approve residential density variances due to a conflict between Salisbury's code and the Maryland Charter.

 Speaker #2 thanked the city clerk for working on meeting minutes and suggested posting approved ones promptly while also completing current minutes. She requested an update on the Hometown Heroes banner program, mentioned new cleanup grants, and expressed concern over how the recent Election Board appointment was handled.

 Speaker #3 criticized the financial reporting in the agenda notes as unclear and lacking detail on tax impacts. He raised concerns about overdevelopment and leadership priorities.

## **ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS**

Mr. Kitzrow highlighted the Hops on the River event that had over 200 attendees and the Easter Jeep Hop at the zoo, which drew 1,200 people. He thanked city staff for their support and hard work and gave a shoutout to those who supported the Salisbury Marathon.

Mayor Taylor recapped a busy weekend, including throwing the first pitch at Westside Little League, attending the NFL Flag Football event at Wicomico High with nearly 200 participants, and visiting the Hops on the River event. He also noted he attended the Light Street mural project event.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Ms. Dashiell shared updates from the Airport Commission, including new signage, terminal upgrades, and upcoming Orlando flights. She thanked city staff for fixing streetlights and praised downtown development efforts made by Derek Jarmon. She noted she attended the Vietnam Veterans Day event and highlighted Earth Day activities, including a sensory-friendly hour for children.

Ms. Gregory reminded everyone about the Earth Day event, and encouraged everyone to attend Third Friday. Ms. Blake requested updates on several long-standing issues: Carol Street, Spring Chase lighting, Ann Street Village occupancy, and the \$12 million Safe Streets for All grant. She expressed concern about the lack of information the council was receiving and the need for direction on reallocating the unused bike and pedestrian funds. Mr.Kitzrow responded that updates would be presented at the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, including Spring Chase in the upcoming budget. President Doughty thanked the council for attending the various community events and highlighted the recent Symphony 21 performance he attended. He praised the Salisbury Police department and discussed a water issue in District 2 that was being investigated. He addressed ongoing concerns about zoning and density, and stressed the importance of communication between council and the mayor's office. **ADJOURNMENT** With no further business to discuss, the Legislative Session adjourned at 6:43 p.m. 



# CLOSED SESSION #1 MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY MARCH 24, 2025

## **PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Council President D'Shawn M. Doughty, Councilwoman April R. Jackson, Councilwoman Michele R. Gregory, Councilwoman Sharon C. Dashiell, Mayor Randy Taylor

## **STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

City Administrator Andy Kitzrow, Human Resources Director Meg Caton, City Clerk Julie English, Special Counsel Dan Altchek, City Attorney Ashley Bosché

The City Council convened in a Closed Session on March 24, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Government Office Building Council Chambers, Room 301, located at 125 N. Division Street after receiving a motion and a second by Ms. Jackson and Ms. Gregory, respectively. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The Closed Session was to conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations, as authorized by the State Government Article, § 3-305(b)(9). The topic of discussion was collective bargaining.

Special Counsel Dan Altchek provided Council with a summary of each collective bargaining unit: AFSCME, Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF). Additionally, he shared what each had requested.

After discussion of each situation, Council reached consensus on counter offers.

## ADJOURNMENT/REPORT OUT

With no further business to discuss, President Doughty asked for a motion and second to adjourn the Closed Session. A motion and second was made by Ms. Jackson and Ms. Gregory, respectively. The vote was 4-0 to adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

President Doughty immediately convened in open session to provide a report out. He stated that the Closed Session was to conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations, as authorized by the State Government Article, § 3-305(b)(9). The topic of discussion was collective bargaining and to determine what next steps should be. The open session adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

# CLOSED SESSION #2 MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY MARCH 24, 2025

**PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT** 

Council President D'Shawn M. Doughty, Councilwoman April R. Jackson, Councilwoman Michele R. Gregory, Councilwoman Sharon C. Dashiell, Mayor Randy Taylor

## STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

City Administrator Andy Kitzrow, City Clerk Julie English, City Attorney Ashley Bosché

Following the adjournment of the legislative session, the City Council convened in a Closed Session on March 24, 2025 at 7:04 p.m. in the Government Office Building Council Chambers, Room 301, located at 125 N. Division Street after receiving a motion and a second by Ms. Jackson and Ms. Gregory, respectively. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The Closed Session was to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals, as authorized by the State Government Article, § 3-305(b)(1). The topic of discussion was the Election Board vacancy.

NOTE: Due to a corrupt file, there was no recording available with which to provide details of this meeting.

During the meeting the names of all applicants were shared with the Council. It was noted that the current members of the Election Board independently provided their recommendations to Ms. English, which was then communicated to Mayor Taylor. After receiving the recommendations and reviewing all applications, Mayor Taylor agreed with the Board members' choice.

Three of the Council members were not in favor of Mayor Taylor's recommendation. They provided several reasons why they did not feel he/she would be the best candidate.

It was noted by Ms. English that whomever was appointed could be of any political party since the current members were not of the same political party.

Council provided the name of another applicant they wished the Mayor to consider.

## ADJOURNMENT/REPORT OUT

With no further business to discuss, President Doughty asked for a motion and second to adjourn the Closed Session. A motion and second was received and the vote was 4-0 to adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m. President Doughty immediately convened in open session to provide a report out. He stated that the Closed Session was to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals, as authorized by the State Government Article, § 3-305(b)(1). The topic of discussion was the Election Board vacancy. City Clerk Council President 

1 SALISBURI 2 3 WORK SESSION **MEETING MINUTES** 4 5 **APRIL 14, 2025** 6 7 8 9 10 **PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT** 11 12 Council President D'Shawn M. Doughty, Council Vice President Angela M. Blake, Councilwoman 13 Michele R. Gregory, Councilwoman Sharon C. Dashiell, Mayor Randy Taylor 14 15 STAFF IN ATTENDANCE 16 City Administrator Andy Kitzrow, Media Specialists Jordan Ray and Nadine Brittingham, Director 17 18 of Water Works Cori Cameron, Economic Development Manager Derek Jarmon, Director of 19 Arts, Business and Culture Allen Swiger, Director of Field Operations Mike Dryden, Parking 20 Supervisor Jordan Mann, Director of Finance Sandy Green, Assistant Director of Finance 21 Shawanda Garrison, City Clerk Julie English, City Attorney Ashley Bosché 22 23 WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS 24 25 The City Council convened in a Work Session on April 14, 2025 at 6:43 p.m. in the 26 Government Office Building Council Chambers, Room 301, located at 125 N. Division 27 Street. President Doughty called for a motion and a second to go into a 5-minute 28 recess. The Work Session reconvened at approximately 6:50 p.m. 29 30 **PRESENTATION** – Zen City, Media Specialists Jordan Ray and Nadine Brittingham 31 Mr. Ray introduced himself and Ms. Brittingham. He presented an overview of Zen City. He 32 highlighted that Zen City had two key tools: Organic, which analyzed public sentiment from 33 social media and Engage, which allowed the City to create multilingual, customizable surveys. He added that the surveys help guide data-driven decisions on city projects. Mr. Ray explained 34 35 the three active surveys from which the city was collecting data: The Westside Community Center (1,007 responses, 90% support, high interest in indoor gym and youth programs), the 36 37 Maryland Folk Festival (positive ratings and high satisfaction), and the Urban Trees Project (residents favor planting trees in parks and along sidewalks). He mentioned that the surveys 38 were anonymous and mobile-friendly. 39

Ordinance to appropriate funds for the Park Well Field Raw Water Line Replacement project

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Ms. Cameron provided an update on a previously approved CIP water main replacement project. She mentioned that the original budget fell short when bids came in over budget. To move the project forward, she proposed reallocating funds from the Water Impact Fund. She highlighted that the project would replace aging lines from the Park Water Plant through the park and would tie in to the newer infrastructure near the Civic Center.

Having no comments, Council reached unanimous consensus to move this forward to Legislative Session.

 <u>Ordinance</u> to enter into a contract with the Maryland State Arts Council for the purpose of accepting grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 and to approve a budget amendment to the grant fund to appropriate these funds for expenses associated with the planning process for a new art installation in the city park

Mr. Jarmon presented an ordinance to accept \$10,000 in funding from the Maryland State Arts Council's Public Art Across Maryland (PAM) grant program. He noted that the grant would support the planning phase of a new public art installation at the City Park.

Mr. Swiger explained that the planning funds would primarily support artist stipends for detailed proposals and community engagement, potentially using Zen City for feedback. The grant would also position the City for a possible \$30,000 execution grant in the next phase.

Having no comments, Council reached unanimous consensus to move this forward to Legislative Session.

<u>Ordinance</u> to adopt and set penalties for parking violations unless and until subsequently revised or changed

Having no comments, Council reached unanimous consensus to move this forward.

<u>Ordinance</u> amending the city's vehicle and traffic code, including sections 10.04.050, 10.04.060, 10.04.070, 10.04.080, 10.04.090, 10.08.010, 10.16.010, 10.16.030, 10.24.010, 10.24.020, 10.24.030, 10.24.040, 10.24.050, 10.24.060, 10.28.010, and 10.28.030

Mr. Dryden presented two related ordinances that would collectively update the fee schedule and amend Chapter 10 of the Vehicle and Traffic Code. He added that Parking Authority was adopting a comprehensive parking penalty and fine schedule to improve clarity and ease of reference. Ms. Mann added that amendments would update current enforcement practices, particularly the shift from pay station meters to a cashless parking system.

Mr. Kitzrow noted that this was part of a broader effort to develop a comprehensive fine schedule throughout the City Code.

85	Council reached consensus to clarify ordinance language regarding the two-hour parking limit
86	per street. There was discussion on the term "fire plug," which Ms. Bosché would change to
87	"fire hydrant" for clarity. Council supported additional public outreach following second
88	reading, particularly to raise awareness about increased enforcement of fire lane and handicap
89	space violations.
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91	Having no further comments, Council reached unanimous consensus to move this forward.
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93	<b>Resolution</b> adopting a Capital Improvement Plan for the five-year period beginning FY2026 and
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96	Mr. Kitzrow presented the draft Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), emphasizing that it serves as a
97	planning and guiding document, not a guarantee of funding. The CIP outlined anticipated
98	capital needs over the next five years, including both critical infrastructure maintenance and
99	hopeful growth projects. Mr. Kitzrow highlighted that the projections help identify budget
100	priorities. He explained the plan included investments in public safety and funding gaps that
101	may require state, federal, or alternative financing.
102	Covered projects in the CID ware discussed including the C2 9 million Newton Mill Dood Dridge
102	Several projects in the CIP were discussed, including the \$2.8 million Naylor Mill Road Bridge
103	Replacement and the \$1 million dollar bond that proposed improvement to neighborhood
104	infrastructure. Ms. Blake stated that putting Spring Chase in the CIP was a disservice. Ms. Blake
105	and Ms. Gregory were concerned that wealthier neighborhoods with HOAs would get ahead by
106	using special tax districts.
107	Council had concerns about the tire recycling center being listed and identified as a priority.
108	President Doughty asked Mayor Taylor to go over his priorities. Mayor Taylor said his focus was
109	on basic, practical projects, not big flashy ones.
110	Ms. Blake raised concerns about the exclusion of the parking garage. Mr. Kitzrow responded
111	that a bond ordinance had not been executed, and Council had authorized bonding up to
112	\$10.75 million for the project. As a result, the garage no longer appears in the CIP since the
113	authority to proceed already existed.
114	Ms. Green noted that the CIP did not appropriate fund but it served as a planning tool. She
115	added that the department requests were submitted in the fall and not all items could be
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116	funded during budget sessions.
117	Council had frustration over the CIP and budget arriving at the same time, giving little time to
118	review. Council asked for clearer communication and more details on project funding.
119	Council did not have consensus to move the resolution forward to Legislative Session but asked
120	for it to come back to the next Work Session.
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121	Resolution amending the Salisbury City Council Regulations and Rules of Order

122 123 President Doughty asked Ms. English to review the recent updates to the City Council Rules of 124 Order. Ms. English explained that the meeting order language was revised to state that all 125 meetings will convene at 6:00 p.m, as determined by majority vote of Council. She noted that this change would allow flexibility without requiring future amendments. Additionally, she 126 127 noted the update to mirror the legislative session section by including: "The Clerk shall endeavor to publish the agenda no later than 12:00 p.m. on the Wednesday before the 128 regularly scheduled work session." Council expressed appreciation for the clarifications, and 129 130 had no objections to moving the resolution forward.

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## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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- Speaker #1 expressed her concern with Zen City and its use in justifying major projects. She called for a clearer public art approval process involving Council and the Historic District Commission and requested that Council agendas sooner to allow time for public review.
- Speaker #2 urged the City to revisit the two-hour parking limit for commercial vehicles downtown. He also suggested reinstating \$400,000 into the CIP for City Park lighting and expressed the need for a funded parks master plan to guide future development.

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With no further business to discuss, the Work Session adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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**CONSENT AGENDA** – presented by City Clerk Julie English

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President Doughty asked Ms. English to present the Consent Agenda without the Resolutions.

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- October 21, 2024 Special Legislative Session Minutes
- Manufacturing Exemptions requests for MaTech (2022, 2023)

Ms. Gregory motioned and Ms. Blake seconded. The vote was 4-0 in favor. Ms. Jackson abstained.

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• Resolution No. 3395 – amending the Salisbury City Council Regulations and Rules of Order

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Ms. Dashiell motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded. The vote was 4-0 in favor. Ms. Jackson abstained.

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Councilwoman Jackson voiced her deep frustration with how the Resolutions were handled. Mayor Taylor felt the decision to move the specified resolutions was based on political or personal bias. President Doughty expressed his thoughts on how the Board and Commission members reflect the city. The conversation became heated, with repeated interruptions and accusations of disrespect and silencing. Despite the conflict, Resolution 3395 was adopted.

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**ORDINANCES** – presented by City Attorney Ashley Bosché

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 Ordinance No. 2929 – 1<sup>st</sup> reading – authorizing the Mayor to appropriate funds for the Park Well Field Raw Water Line Replacement Project

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Ms. Blake motioned and Ms. Dashiell seconded, and the vote was 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 2929.

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 Ordinance No. 2930 – 1<sup>st</sup> reading – authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Maryland State Arts Council for the purpose of accepting grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 and to approve a budget amendment to the grant fund to appropriate these funds for expenses associated with the planning process for a new art installation in the city park

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Ms. Gregory motioned and Ms. Dashiell seconded, and the vote was 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 2930.

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Ordinance No. 2931 – 1<sup>st</sup> reading – amending the city's vehicle and traffic code, including sections 10.04.050, 10.04.060, 10.04.070, 10.04.080, 10.04.090, 10.08.010, 10.16.010, 10.16.030, 10.24.010, 10.24.020, 10.24.030, 10.24.040, 10.24.050, 10.24.060, 10.28.010, and 10.28.030

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125 Ms. Bosché noted that changes made during the Work Session were not in the agenda packet. 126 Ms. Bosché read the changes on the record for clarity.

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128 Ms. Jackson motioned and Ms. Dashiell seconded, and the vote was 5-0 to approve Ordinance 129 No. 2931.

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• Ordinance No. 2932 – 1st reading – to adopt and set penalties for parking violations unless

and until subsequently revised or changed

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Ms. Bosché also noted that the changes made during the Work Session for the above ordinance were not in the packet. She read the changes on the record for clarity.

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Ms. Blake motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded, and the vote was 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 2932.

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## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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The following public comments were made:

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• Speaker #1 thanked the City for the brownfield remediations, playground upgrades, and volunteer cleanups. She urged interviews for board appointments to ensure fair consideration.

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 Speaker #2 thanked staff for improving trail accessibility near the zoo and supported committee budget funding. He proposed a Park Ambassador program and asked for better parking options for service vehicles downtown.

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 Speaker #4 reported that the roads in Schumaker Manor were in structural failure and unsafe, based on findings from the county engineer. She urged full reconstruction in the FY26 budget.

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 Speaker #5 confirmed Schumaker Manor's roads were poorly built on clay with insufficient asphalt, causing severe damage.

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 Speaker #6 highlighted safety and accessibility issues with Schumaker Manor roads, noting violations of ADA standards and warning of lawsuits.

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 Speaker #7 urged the City to fix Schumaker Manor roads, warning of safety risks and worsening conditions after decades of delays.

161 162  Speaker #8 highlighted the strong community support and requested that Schumaker Manor Roads be included in the Capital Improvement Plan.

163 164 Speaker #9 echoed what all the other speakers noted about Schumaker Manor.
Speaker #10 raised questions about sidewalk improvements north of Zion Road, public

165 166 transportation updates, river railing repairs to prevent drownings, and praised progress on Carol Street pavement. He requested status updates on these projects.

167 168  Speaker #11 reminded the public about upcoming comprehensive plan update focus groups and encouraged the Schumaker residents to participate.

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Speaker #12 praised removing parking garage speed bumps, corrected misinformation on zoning variances, and called for updated planning rules and action on affordable housing.
 Speaker #13 urged urgent repair or replacement of the deteriorating White Bridge in City

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## ADJOURNMENT/CONVENE IN WORK SESSION

With no further business to discuss, the Legislative Session adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



# CLOSED SESSION MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY APRIL 14, 2025

## **PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Council President D'Shawn M. Doughty, Vice President Angela M. Blake, Councilwoman Michele R. Gregory, Councilwoman Sharon C. Dashiell, Mayor Randy Taylor

## STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

City Administrator Andy Kitzrow, Water Works Director Cori Cameron, City Clerk Julie English, City Attorney Heather Konyar, Special Counsel Brett Land

The City Council convened in a Closed Session on April 24, 2025 at 5:35 p.m. in the Government Office Building Council Chambers, Room 301, located at 125 N. Division Street. A motion and a second by Ms. Blake and Ms. Dashiell, respectively, was received. The vote was 4-0 in favor. The Closed Session was to obtain legal advice on a legal matter and to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation, as authorized by the State Government Article, § 3-305(b)(7) and (8).

Ms. Cameron provided an update on the topic of PFAS. She stated that multiple grant funds were applied for to assist with associated costs.

Mr. Land provided an update on the topic and provided potential next steps for Council and Administration to consider.

## ADJOURNMENT/REPORT OUT

With no further business to discuss, President Doughty asked for a motion and second to adjourn the Closed Session. Ms. Blake motioned and Ms. Gregory seconded. The vote was 4-0 to adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

President Doughty immediately convened in open session to provide a report out. He stated that the Closed Session was to obtain legal advice on a legal matter and to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation, as authorized by the State Government Article, § 3-305(b)(7) and (8). The open session adjourned at 5:59 p.m. The topic of discussion was PFAS.

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## Memo

To: Tom Stevenson From: Phillip Menzel Date: August 13, 2025

Subject: Manufacturing Exemption - Imperial Granite & Quartz, LLC (2024)

I am recommending that Imperial Granite & Quartz LLC be granted exemptions from Personal Property

Tax for their equipment purchased in 2024 as requested by the company. Since the request came within

2 years of the purchase of the equipment, they are eligible for up to 5 years' exemption for the 2024

purchases.

Over the next five years they will benefit from this exemption by a total savings of \$7,175 in personal

property tax for 2024 equipment purchases. The exemptions will be applied to City Property Tax years

2026-2030 as shown in the schedule provided herein. Attached please find copies of the calculations,

property tax returns and manufacturing exemption applications.

Attachment(s):

Imperial 2024.pdf

# City of Salisbury Finance Department Exemption Recommendation to City Council

Company: Imperial Granite & Quartz LLC

Address: 937 S Salisbury Blvd

Salisbury, MD 21801

Requested By: Jonathan C. Pilchard

Date of Request: 7/22/2025

Equipment Year 2024

New Equipment Amount per Tax Return \$ 85,421

Total \_\_\_\_\$ 85,421

Exemption Value	City Property <u>Tax Year</u>	State <u>Return</u>	Year of Exemption	Deprec. <u>Value</u>	Am't of Exemption
	2026	2025	1	76,879	1,845
	2027	2026	2	68,337	1,640
	2028	2027	3	59,795	1,435
	2029	2028	4	51,253	1,230
	2030	2029	5	42,711	1,025
	Т	otal Value of E	xemption:		\$ 7,175

## City of Salisbury



SANDRA GREEN DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

PHILLIP MENZEL
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FINANCE - ACCOUNTING

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

125 N. Division Street Salisbury, MD 21801-4940 (410) 548-3110

## Exemption Application For Machinery and Equipment Used for Manufacturing/Research & Development

Business Name: IMPERIAL GRANITE & QUARTZ LLC MD Department ID#: W-24457822

Mailing Address: 937 SOUTH SALISBURY BOULEVARD, SALISBURY, MARYLAND 21801-6318

Contact Name:	JONATHAN C. P	ILCHARD	Phone No.:	(443)-359-0916
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3. Addres	ss of Manufacturing /			RYLAND 21801-6318
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Department ID#	W-24457822

## 5. Tools, machinery, and/or equipment used or manufacturing or research and development :

State the original cost of the property by year of acquisition. Include all fully depreciated property expensed and such Property expensed under IRS rules. If this business is engaged in manufacturing / R&D, and is claiming such an exemption for the first time, a manufacturing / R&D exemption application must be submitted by September 1, or within 6 months after the date of the first assessment notice for the taxable year that includes the manufacturing / R&D property. Visit the website: dat.maryland.gov for an application and additional information. If the property is located in a taxable jurisdiction, a detailed schedule by depreciation category should be included to take advantage of higher depreciation allowances.

	Year Acquired	А	С	D	Year Acquired	А	С	D
	2024	8,593	76 <b>,</b> 828	0	2020	0	0	0
L	2023	0	0	0	2019	0	0	0
	2022	0	0	0	2018	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0	2017 & prior	0	0	0

**6. Vehicles with interchangeable Registration and/or Unregistered vehicles :** (dealer, recycler, finance company, special mobile equipment, and transporter plates) and unregistered vehicles should be reported here. See specific instructions.

Year Acquired	Original Cost	Year Acquired	Original Cost
2024	0	2022	0
2023	0	2021 & prior	0

Total Cost \$	
	0

7. Non farming livestock :

Book Value \$	0	Market Value \$	
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## 8. Other personal property:

File separate schedule giving a description of property, original cost, and date of acquisition.

Total Cost \$ 19,966

9. Property owned by others and used or held by the business as lessee or otherwise. File separate schedule showing names and addresses of owners, lease number, description of property installation date and separate cost in each case.

**Total Cost** \$ 675,000

## 10. Property owned by others as lessee or otherwise :

File separate schedule showing names and addresses of lessees, lease number, description of property, installation date and original cost by year of acquisition for each location. Schedule should group leases by county where the property is located. Manufacturer lessors should submit the retail selling price of the property, not the manufacturing cost. See specific instructions.

Total Cost \$

## IMPERIAL GRANITE QUARTZ, LLC

## **EXHIBIT B:**

## SCHEDULE OF DEPRECIABLE ASSETS CLAIMED UNDER MANUFACTURING EXEMPTION

\*\*SEE BELOW\*\*

ASSET	ASSET	ASSET	PLACED IN	RECOVERY	HISTORICAL
NO.	CLASS	DESCRIPTION	SERVICE	PERIOD	COST
01	MFG	MTE DIAMOND3 MODEL 625 BRIDGE SAW	01/15/2024	84 MONTHS	60,128
02	MFG	2023 DOOSAN MODEL G30N-7 FORKLIFT	01/15/2024	84 MONTHS	16,700
03	MFG	ALMIG LENTO 22/30 SCREW AIR COMPRESSOR	01/15/2024	84 MONTHS	3,329
04	MFG	TRITON 2.4HP KING STONE ROUTER	01/15/2024	84 MONTHS	2,756
05	MFG	VESTIL D-200-HD SELF-DUMPING STEEL HOPPER	01/15/2024	84 MONTHS	2,508

TOTAL VALUE OF MANUFACTURING ASSETS: \$ 85,420.48

01	The property is used to place, measure, and cut unfinished stone during the fabrication process to create work-in-process inventory.
02	The property is used to load and unload stone and move work-in-process inventory between storage, fabrication, assembly, and finishing areas.
03	The property is used in conjunction with Asset No. 1 to propel the bridge saw along the x and y-axis and move the table base along the z-axis.
04	The property is used to mill, shape, and polish the edges of cut stone during the fabrication process to create finished goods inventory.
05	The property is used to store, transfer, and dispose of stone waste and scrap materials produced as a result of the fabrication process.

\*\* SCHEDLE OF DEPRECIABLE ASSETS WAS PROVIDED WITH THE 2025 MARYLAND MANUFACTURING EXEMPTION APPLICATION FILED WITH THE STATE OF MD DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS & TAXATION ON JULY 17, 2024 AND IS ATTACHED HEREWITH FOR CONSIDERATION

DESCRIPTION OF ASSETS AND USE IN MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS PROVIDED UNDER SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT NO. 6 (INFRA, PG.8)



## Memo

To: Tom Stevenson From: Phillip Menzel Date: August 13, 2025

Subject: Manufacturing Exemption - Clean Air Filters, LLC (2024)

I am recommending that Clean Air Filters LLC be granted exemptions from Personal Property Tax for

their equipment purchased in 2024 as requested by the company. Since the request came within 2 years

of the purchase of the equipment, they are eligible for up to 5 years' exemption for the 2024 purchases.

Over the next five years they will benefit from this exemption by a total savings of \$2,265 in personal

property tax for 2024 equipment purchases. The exemptions will be applied to City Property Tax vears

2026-2030 as shown in the schedule provided herein. Attached please find copies of the calculations,

property tax returns and manufacturing exemption applications.

Attachment(s):

Clean Air Filters 2024.pdf

# City of Salisbury Finance Department Exemption Recommendation to City Council

Company: Clean Air Filters LLC
Address: 400 W Railroad Avenue
Salisbury, MD 21804

Requested By: John M. Speake III
Date of Request: 8/6/2025

Description of Mfg.: Filter Manufacturer

Equipment Year 2024

New Equipment See Listing \$ 26,970

Total \$ 26,970

Exemption Value	City Property <u>Tax Year</u>	State <u>Return</u>	Year of Exemption	Deprec. <u>Value</u>	Am't of Exemption
	2026	2025	1	24,273	583
	2027	2026	2	21,576	518
	2028	2027	3	18,879	453
	2029	2028	4	16,182	388
	2030	2029	5	13,485	324

Total Value of Exemption: \$ 2,265

## City of Salisbury



**SANDRA GREEN** DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

PHILLIP MENZEL ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FINANCE - ACCOUNTING

Mailing Address: 400 W. RAILROAD AVE SALISBURY, MD 21804

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

125 N. Division Street Salisbury, MD 21801-4940 (410) 548-3110

## **Exemption Application For** Machinery and Equipment Used for Manufacturing/Research & Development CLEAN AIR FILTERS, LLC Business Name:

MD Department ID#:

(410) 251-2308

Contact Name: JOHN M SPEAKE, III	Phone No.: (410) 251-2308
<ol> <li>In order to qualify for an exemple owned and operated by a facilit (3) develops a new product or in please explain in detail how you produced or R &amp; D activity being</li> </ol>	otion you must meet one of the following requirements: Equipment is by that (1) locates in Salisbury (2) expands operations in Salisbury, or industrial process in Salisbury. If you meet one of these requirements in meet these requirements including raw materials used and products ing conducted. Please include number of employees used in the ber of administrative employees.
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3. Address of Manufacturing / R	& D operation. 400 W. RAILROAD AVE SALISBURY, MD 21804
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<ol> <li>Attach a description of each as description, original cost, and description, Various, or Miscel</li> </ol>	set claimed under this exemption. The schedule must include a date of acquisition for each item. General descriptions such as llaneous are not acceptable.
6. Attach a copy of the State of M	Maryland Personal Property Return for the year of acquisition.
All exemptions require approval by the does not mean you will automatically granted is for a specific year in which Once an exemption has been granted, exemption. To be eligible to receive within two (2) years from December request must be made for each year. St., Salisbury, MD 21801-4940.  Preparer's Signature	he City of Salisbury Council and receipt of exemption from Wicomico County be granted an exemption by the City of Salisbury. The exemption that is a equipment was purchased and can be for a term up to a maximum of 5 years. A a copy of the personal property tax return must be sent in for each year of the the maximum exemption term of 5 years, the application must be received 31st of the calendar year in which the equipment was purchased. A separate The application can be mailed to Finance Department, 125 North Division
Email address dmccabe@pkscpa.com	

2025

Form 1

5. Tools, machinery, and/or equipment used for manufacturing or research and development:

State the original cost of the property by year of acquisition. Include all fully depreciated property expensed and such Proprty expensed under IRS rules. If this business is engaged in manufacturing / R&D, and is claiming such an exemption for the first time, a manufacturing / R&D exemption application must be submitted by September 1 or within 6 months after the date of the first assessment notice for the taxable year that includes the manufacturing / R&D property. Visit the website https://dat.maryland.gov for an application and additional information. If the property is located in a taxable jurisdiction, a detailed schedule by depreciation category should be included to take advantage of higher depreciation allowances.

Year Acquired	А	С	D	Year Acquired	А	С	D
2024	26,970			2020			
2023				2019	303,335		
2022	4,075			2018	19,318		
2021	134,868			2017 & prior	86,605		

Describe	Property	in C	&	D	above:
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Total Cos	t
\$	575,171

**6. Vehicles with interchangeable Registration and/or Unregistered vehicles:** (dealer, recycler, finance company, special mobile equipment, and transporter plates) and unregisterd vehicles should be reported here. See specific instructions.

Year Acquired	Original Cost	Year Acquired	Original Cost
2024		2022	
2023		2021 & prior	

Total Cost	
\$	NONE

7. Non-farming livestock:

Book Value \$   Market Value \$	Book Value \$	Market Value \$
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8. Other personal property:

File separate schedule giving a description of property, original cost, and date of acquisition.

Total Cost
\$ NONE

9. Property owned by others and used or held by the business as lessees or otherwise: File separate schedule showing names and addresses of owners,

lease number, description of property, installation date and separate cost in each case.

Total Cost
\$ NONE

10. Property owned by others as lessess or otherwise:

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Total Cost	
\$	NONE

07/29/2025 3:42 PM 151900 Clean Air Filters, LLC 1/01/24 - 12/31/24 Tax Asset Detail Page 1 81-1972726 FYE: 12/31/2024 Tax Prior Tax Net Sec 179 Exp Tax Tax Current Tax Tax Date In Tax Bonus Amt Method Period Property Description Service Current = c Depreciation Depreciation End Depr Book Value Asset Group: Machinery & Equipment 0.00 200DB 5.0 11.118.00 Yale Lift Truck 10/17/18 11,118,00 0.00 11,118.00 11,118.00 0.00 0,00 11,118.00 0.00 11,118,00 11,118.00 0.000 11,118.00 Machinery & Equipment Group: Manufacturing Equipment 0.00 25,160.00 50,320.00 0.00 50,320,00 0.00 200DB 50 320.00 Frame Machine 8/04/16 0.00 5,725,00 10,500,00 11,450 00 21,000 00 0.00 11,450 00 21,000 00 200DB 7.0 9/16/16 11,450,00 0.00 Conveyors 7.0 7.0 0.00 200DB Servo Strip Notcher 11/07/16 21 000 00 0.00 12/07/16 3,835.00 0.00 1,917.50 3,835,00 3.835.00 0.00 200DB Laminator 8,200.00 200DB 7.0 8,200 00 25,940 00 8 200 00 Stitchers 3/20/18 0.00 8 200 00 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 33 34 35 39 7 0 7 0 7 0 7 0 25,940,00 80,095,00 0.00 25,940 00 80,095 00 Cold Glue Roll Coater 25,940,00 0.00 200DB 7/24/19 200DB SSN1F Wide Servo Strip Notcher 8/14/19 80,095.00 70,750.00 0.00 80,095.00 70,750,00 70,750.00 9,900.00 70,750,00 0.00 0.00 200DB 0.00 1" Rotary Pleater Upgrades for Brace Machine 8/15/19 0.00 200DB 9.900.00 8/28/19 9,900 00 39,687 50 0.00 0.00 7 0 7 0 7 0 7 0 7 0 0.00 39,687,50 39,687.50 0.00 39,687.50 61,885.00 0.00 200DB 9/17/19 Push Bar Pleater - PO 2820 200DB 0.00 KASF - S Auto Pad Cutter w/ Slitte 2934 - De-Coiler 10/24/19 61,885.00 0.00 61,885.00 3,500.00 61,885.00 3,500.00 0.00 3,500 00 11,577 50 200DB 200DB 0.00 3,500.00 12/06/19 0.00 0.00 Stretch Wrap Machine 12/17/19 11,577.50 11,577.50 11 577 50 0.00 950.00 1,900.00 1,900.00 0.00 200DB 200DB 7.0 7.0 Upper and Lower Knife Blande Frame Former 1 900 00 7/23/14 4/23/14 0.00 1,376.50 2,050.00 2,753.00 4,100.00 0.00 2 753 00 0.00 7.0 7.0 0.00 4,100.00 0.00 200DB Slitter Machine SSN-ILH Servo Strip Notcher 4 100 00 0.00 2/04/15 57,795.00 63,170.00 57,795 00 63,170 00 0.00 200DB 0.00 0.00 57,795.00 3/10/21 7.0 7.0 7.0 7.0 7.0 0.00 63,170.00 0.00 200DB 40 41 43 63,170.00 Push Bar Pleater & Cutter NTZ-36 Cold Glue Machine 5/17/21 0.00 0.00 13,902.80 13,902 80 0.00 13,902.80 0.00 200DB 11/19/21 0.00 4,075.00 Benchmark Adhesive Melt Tan 2 Cold Glue Roll Coater 4.075.00 26,970.00 4 075 00 4,075.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 26,970,00 26,970.00 0.00 200DB 12/12/24 26,970,00c 26,970.00 572,805.80 0.00 572,805,80 545,835.80 26,970.00c 494,081.80 Manufacturing Equipment 0.00 8,753.00 0.00 8,753.00 \*Less: Dispositions and Transfers 0.00 8,753.00 0.00 564,052.80 0.00 494,081.80 537,082,80 26,970.00 564,052.80 26,970.00c Net Manufacturing Equipment Group: Office Equipment 0.00 200DB 7.0 1.800.00 1,800.00 0.00 0.00 1,800.00 0.00 1/13/13 20 Office Equipment 0.00 1,800,00 0.00 0.00c 0.00 1 800 00 Office Equipment 1,800.00 Group: Vehicles 0,00 200DB 5.0 0.00 9,800.00 4,900.00 9,800.00 38 d 2014 Ford Focus 1/19/21 9.800.00 0.00 9,800\_00 0.00 9,800.00 0.00 9,800.00 0.00c 4,900.00 Vehicles 0.00 0.00 0.00 9,800.00 0.00 9.800.00 \*Less: Dispositions and Transfers 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.000 4 900 00 Net Vehicles 0.00



## Memo

To: Mayor's Office

From: Rob Frampton, Fire Chief

Date: July 14, 2025

Subject: Ordinance for MOOR ORF Opioid Grant Amendment - 2nd Reading

The Fire Department has been made aware that the State of Maryland's Office for Opioid Overdose Response has awarded the City an additional \$81,300 for "indirect cost" related to the previously accepted MOOR ORF Opioid Grant. We are requesting that the City accept these additional funds and amend the total grant amount accepted to \$623,300. There is no match requirement for these additional funds.

Attachment(s): Ord2950.doc

1 2	ORDINANCE NO. 2950
3 4 5 6 7 8	AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AMENDING THE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF MARYLAND'S OFFICE OF OPIOID OVERDOSE RESPONSE FROM \$542,000 TO \$623,300, AND TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT FUND TO APPROPRIATE THESE FUNDS FOR THE SALISBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT.
9 10	<b>WHEREAS,</b> the State of Maryland has an Office of Opioid Overdose Response that awards grant funds for work related to opioid overdoses; and
11 12	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the City of Salisbury submitted a grant application to the State of Maryland's Office for Opioid Overdose Response for funding for enhancement of the SWIFT/MDCN Opioid Overdose programs; and
13 14	<b>WHEREAS,</b> the State of Maryland had initially awarded the City funds in the amount of \$542,000.00; and
15 16 17	<b>WHEREAS,</b> the City of Salisbury has been notified that the State is awarding an additional \$81,300 for indirect costs related to grant activities and must enter into a grant agreement modification with the State of Maryland to define how these funds will be released and accepted; and
18	WHEREAS, all funds shall be used to enhance the SWIFT/MDCN Opioid Overdose programs; and
19 20	<b>WHEREAS</b> , § 7-29 of the Salisbury City Charter prohibits the City from entering into a contract that requires an expenditure not appropriated or authorized by the Council of the City of Salisbury; and
21 22 23	<b>WHEREAS</b> , appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this grant must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.
24 25 26	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:
27 28 29 30	Section 1. Mayor Randolph J. Taylor is hereby authorized to enter into a modified grant agreement with the Maryland Department of Health, on behalf of the City of Salisbury, for the City's acceptance of grant funds in the new amount of \$623,600.
31 32 33	BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:
34	Section 2. The City of Salisbury's Grant Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:
35 36 37	<ul><li>(a) Increase MOOR Revenue Account (10500-424040-19011) by \$81,300.</li><li>(b) Increase Indirect Expenses Account (10500-569999-19011) by \$81,300.</li></ul>
38 39	BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:
40 41	Section 3. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.
42 43 44	<u>Section 4</u> . It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the

section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable. Section 5. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 5. **Section 6.** This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage. THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 11 day of August, 2025 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of Salisbury on the 25 day of August, 2025. **ATTEST:** Julie A. English, City Clerk D'Shawn M. Doughty, City Council President Approved by me, this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025. Randolph J. Taylor, Mayor 



## Memo

To: Mayor's Office From: Captain John Felts Date: July 15, 2025

Subject: Ordinance - Accept Equitable Sharing Funds 2nd reading

The Salisbury Police Department (SPD) is requesting authorization to use \$1 50,000.00 in Equitable Sharing Funds for the purchase and installation of storage systems necessary to support the Department's operational needs.

These funds became available as a result of the dissolution of the multi-jurisdictional Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force in 2020, of which SPD was a participating agency. Following the dissolution, all member agencies received an equitable distribution of assets, and SPD was awarded \$150,000 .00 as the final installment of these funds. The funds were deposited into the City's general fund to be used in compliance with the Department of Justice and U.S. Treasury guidelines governing Equitable Sharing Funds.

SPD proposes to use \$75,000.00 of the funds for the remaining portion of a property storage system. The current property storage area has reached capacity, and the installation of the additional system components will allow the Department to fully utilize the available space, extending the functionality of the area for the foreseeable future. All property stored by SPD must be maintained in accordance with applicable laws and chain-of-custody requirements. Proper storage infrastructure is essential to ensuring the security and integrity of this evidence.

SPD proposes to use \$75,000.00 from the Equitable Sharing monies to fund one-half of the cost of a new records storage system. Despite consistent adherence to records retention schedules and destruction policies, the Department's records storage area remains over capacity. Existing storage methods do not support efficient space use and limits the ability to properly organize and access essential police records.

Installation of a modem storage system will enhance functionality, optimize space us age, ensure compliance with best practices for secure and efficient document management, and enable improved service delivery to the community.

Should any Equitable Sharing Funds remain following these expenditure s, SPD intends to apply them toward future storage-related upgrades or building maintenance to ensure continued operational integrity.

Attachment(s): Ord2951.doc

1	ORDINANCE NO. 2951
2	AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO APPROVE A BUDGET
3 4	AMENDMENT OF THE GRANT FUND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE
5	FUNDS RECEIVED FROM WICOMICO COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF
6	\$150,000 FOLLOWING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE MULTI-
7	JURISDICTIONAL WICOMICO COUNTY NARCOTICS TASK FORCE.
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9	WHEREAS, Wicomico County has made authorized disbursements to the City of Salisbury Police
10	Department ("SPD") in the amount of \$150,000.00; and
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12	WHEREAS, the funding source of this authorized disbursement was the result of the dissolution of
13	the multi-jurisdictional Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force, of which the SPD was a part thereof; and
14	WHERE AC all manufactures of the dissalved Wissonian County Name ties Tools Force received
15 16	WHEREAS, all member agencies of the dissolved Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force received an equitable share of assets ("Equitable Sharing Funds") associated with its dissolution; and
10 17	an equitable share of assets ( Equitable Sharing Funds ) associated with its dissolution, and
18	WHEREAS, the Equitable Sharing Funds are to be deposited and to be used in accordance with the
19	guidelines set forth by the Department of Justice and US Treasury; and
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21	WHEREAS, the SPD desires to use \$75,000.00 of the Equitable Sharing Funds for one-half of the
22	purchase and installation of a property storage system; and
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24	WHEREAS, the SPD desires to use \$75,000.00 of the Equitable Sharing Funds for one-half of the
25	purchase and installation of a records storage system; and
26	WHERE AC the CDD will analy any generating founds towards fitting heilding maintenance and
27 28	WHEREAS, the SPD will apply any remaining funds towards future building maintenance; and
29	WHEREAS, the police property and records storage within the police department are at or above
30	capacity; and
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32	WHEREAS, the improved storage infrastructure will support the secure, organized, and accountable
33	storage of evidence and records, maintaining the integrity of investigations, legal processes, and departmental
34	transparency; and
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36	WHEREAS, the installation of the storage systems will strengthen departmental efficiency and
37	support full compliance with applicable retention schedules and evidence management protocols; and
38	WHEREAS, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this funding must be made upon the
39 40	recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.
41	recommendation of the Mayor and the approvar of four-fitting of the Council of the City of Sansbury.
42	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE
43	CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:
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45	<b>Section 1.</b> The City of Salisbury's Grant Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:
46	(a) Increase Grant Fund DOJ Revenue, Acct. No. xxxxxxxx-xxxxx, by \$150,000.00; and
47	(b) Increase Grant Fund Expense, Building Maintenance Acct. No. xxxxxx-xxxxx, by
48	\$150,000.00.

49 50 51	BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:				
52 53	Section 2. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.				
54 55 56 57 58	<u>Section 3</u> . It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.				
59 60	<u>Section 4</u> . The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as it such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 4.				
61 62 63 64 65 66 67	THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and rea Salisbury held on the 11 day of August, 2025 and	ad at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance theantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of			
69 70 71 72	ATTEST:				
73 74 75 76	Julie A. English, City Clerk	D'Shawn M. Doughty, City Council President			
77 78 79 80 81	Approved by me, thisday of	, 2025.			
82 83	Randolph J. Taylor, Mayor				



## Memo

To: Mayor's Office From: Finance Office Date: August 7, 2025

Subject: Budget Amendment for Union Negotiations - 1st Reading

As you are aware, the City Council approved Resolution 3414 on June 16, 2025 which included three union side letters. As a result of the wage reopener negotiations with all three Collective Bargaining Agreements, there is an increase to wages that was not appropriated in the FY26 Budget.

The fiscal impact of these collective bargaining agreements for current year 2026 has affected the City per below:

- Initial FY 26 Budget provided for a 1 step salary increase in July 2025 and January 2026.
- Union negotiations resulted in an additional step in July 2025 as well as a pay scale change to the Fire Department scale. This change increased the step increments from 2% to 2.25%.
- Cost of additional step and pay scale change to the General Fund of \$1,187,953; Water/Sewer Fund of \$143,566; Storm Water Fund \$2,949; Parking Fund \$2,316.

Attached you will find an ordinance requesting the approval of a budget amendment for FY26 for the general fund, water/sewer fund, parking fund, and storm water fund in the amount of \$1,336,784.39 for additional salaries and the related fringe benefits.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration in this request. Unless the Mayor or administration have further questions, please forward a copy of this memo and ordinance to the City Council for their consideration.

Attachment(s): Ord2952.docx

1	ORDINANCE NO. 2952
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE MAYOR TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE FY2026 GENERAL FUND, WATER AND SEWER FUND, PARKING FUND, AND STORM WATER FUND FOR ADDITIONAL SALARIES AND FRINGE ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNION NEGOTIATIONS.
10 11	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the Fiscal Year FY2026 Budget was adopted by the City Council on June 9, 2025; and
12 13 14 15 16 17	<b>WHEREAS</b> , since this date City Council held a legislative session on June 16, 2025 and passed Resolution 3414, which confirmed the City's authority to execute "Side Letters" with all three Collective Bargaining Units, which effectively approved salary increases for all city employees across the associated funds; and
18 19	<b>WHEREAS</b> , all the salary and fringe accounts will be more than originally anticipated requiring modification to the FY2026 budget; and
20 21 22 23 24	<b>WHEREAS</b> , those budget adjustments would be allocated between the associated funds per each city department; General Fund \$1,187,953.32; Water and Sewer \$143,565.86; Parking \$2,316.30; and Storm Water \$2,948.91;
24 25 26 27 28	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the appropriations necessary to execute this budget amendment as provided hereinabove must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.
29 30	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:
31 32 33 34	<u>Section 1</u> . The Fiscal Year FY2026 Budget is hereby amended to increase appropriations in all associated funds budget by \$1,336,784.39 for salary and fringe.
35 36	Section 2. The City of Salisbury's General Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:
37 38	(a) Increase the Current Year Surplus Account (01000-469810) by \$1,187,953.32; and
39 40	(b) Increase all salary and fringe accounts within the General Fund.
41 42	Section 3. The City of Salisbury's Water and Sewer Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:
43 44	(a) Increase the Current Year Surplus Account (60100-469810) by \$143,565.86; and
45 46 47	<ul><li>(b) Increase all salary and fringe accounts within the Water and Sewer Fund.</li><li>Section 4. The City of Salisbury's Parking Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:</li></ul>
48 49	(a) Increase the Current Year Surplus Account (10100-469810) by \$2,316.30; and
50 51 52 53	(b) Increase all salary and fringe accounts within the Parking Fund.

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55	Section 5. The City of Salisbury's Storm Water Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows				
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57	(a) Increase the Current Year Surplus Account (60800-469810) by \$2,948.91; and				
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59	<b>(b)</b> Increase all salary and fringe	accounts within the Storm Water Fund.			
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63	SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:				
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77	<b>Section 9.</b> This Ordinance shall take effe	ct from and after the date of its final passage.			
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79	THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and rea	ad at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of			
80		thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance			
81	having been published as required by law, in the	neantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City			
82	of Salisbury on the day of	, 2025.			
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## Memo

To: Tom Stevenson From: Sandra Green Date: July 25, 2025

Subject: Budget Amendment for Lawsuit Funds - 1st Reading

In preparing the FY2026 Budget, \$2,000,000 was forecasted from lawsuit proceeds from the PFAS settlement. This revenue was included in the Water Sewer Fund. It has been determined that this revenue would be better accounted for in the Water Sewer Capital Project Fund. There is an ordinance requesting to move the budgeted revenue of \$2,000,000 from the Water Sewer Fund into the Water Sewer Capital Project Fund. The PayGo projects of \$1,530,100 initially approved in the budget will also be moved to be paid for with Lawsuit Proceeds. With the movement of these lawsuit proceeds there will be a use of surplus to the water sewer fund of the difference of \$469,900 which will be used to balance the water sewer capital project fund and be assigned to the PFAS Filter Project.

Attachment(s): Ord2953.docx

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2953**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AUTHORIZING A AMENDMENT TO TRANSFER PFAS **SETTLEMENT** PROCEEDS FROM THE WATER SEWER FUND TO THE WATER SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT FUND.

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury has forecasted that Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) from the settlement of the PFAS lawsuit will be received by the City in its fiscal year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury included this forecasted revenue in its FY2026 Water Sewer Budget; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury included in the FY2026 Water Sewer Budget a total of \$1,530,100 for project expenditures necessary to fund Water Sewer Capital Projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury has determined the forecasted revenue and project expenditures would be best accounted for in the Water Sewer Capital Project Fund; and

WHEREAS, this budget amendment will move the above referenced revenue and expenditures for capital projects from the FY2026 Water Sewer Fund into the Water Sewer Capital Projects Fund; and

WHEREAS, the appropriations necessary to execute this budget amendment as provided hereinabove must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 1. Mayor Randolph J. Taylor is hereby authorized to appropriate funds for the projects listed in Section 2 and Section 3 below.

## BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF **SALISBURY**, **MARYLAND**, as follows:

**Section 2.** The City of Salisbury's Water Sewer Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

Increase	Account	Project	<b>Account Description</b>		
Decrease	Type	Description		Account	Amount
Decrease	Revenue	None	Lawsuit Proceeds	60100-456939	2,000,000
Decrease	Expense	None	Pay Go	91002-599109	1,530,100
Increase	Revenue	None	Use of Surplus	60100-469810	469,900

Section 3. The City of Salisbury's Water Sewer Capital Project Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows.

Increase	Account	Project	<b>Account Description</b>		
Decrease	Type	Description		Account	Amount
Increase	Revenue	WWTP Outfall Pipe	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-55518	60,000
Decrease	Revenue	WWTP Outfall Pipe	PayGO	97030-469313-55518	60,000
Increase	Revenue	Glen Avenue Lift Station	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-55020	150,000
Decrease	Revenue	Glen Avenue Lift Station	PayGo	97030-469313-55020	150,000
Increase	Revenue	Pump Station Improvements	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50036	110,000
Decrease	Revenue	Pump Station Improvements	PayGo	97030-469313-50036	110,000
Increase	Revenue	PFAS Study and Treatment	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50056	100,000
Decrease	Revenue	PFAS Study and Treatment	PayGo	97030-469313-50056	100,000
Increase	Revenue	SSPS Low Flow Pump	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50057	78,000
Decrease	Revenue	SSPS Low Flow Pump	PayGo	97030-469313-50057	78,000
Increase	Revenue	NSPS Low Flow Pump	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50058	87,000
Decrease	Revenue	NSPS Low Flow Pump	PayGo	97030-469313-50058	87,000
Increase	Revenue	Decommission Edgemore Water Tower	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50059	125,000
Decrease	Revenue	Decommission Edgemore Water Tower	PayGo	97030-469313-50059	125,000
Increase	Revenue	Paleo Fence Security Cameras	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50060	65,100
Decrease	Revenue	Paleo Fence Security Cameras	PayGo	97030-469313-50060	65,100
Increase	Revenue	Scenic Drive PCCP Pipe Replacement	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-48014	60,000
Decrease	Revenue	Scenic Drive PCCP Pipe Replacement	PayGo	97030-469313-48014	60,000
Increase	Revenue	Replace Distribution Piping and Valves Main	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50015	100,000
Decrease	Revenue	Replace Distribution Piping and Valves Main	PayGo	97030-469313-50015	100,000
Increase	Revenue	Automated Metering Infrastructure	Lawsuit Proceeds PFAS	97010-456932-50053	300,000
Decrease	Revenue	Automated Metering Infrastructure	PayGo	97030-469313-50053	300,000

Increase	Revenue	Lead Service Line	Lawsuit Proceeds	97010-456932-50055	220,000
		Replacement	PFAS		
		Phase I			
Decrease	Revenue	Lead Service Line	PayGo	97030-469313-50055	220,000
		Replacement			
		Phase I			
Increase	Revenue	Sanitary Sewer	Lawsuit Proceeds	97010-456932-55525	75,000
		Lining Maint	PFAS		
Decrease	Revenue	Sanitary Sewer	PayGo	97030-469313-55525	75,000
		Lining Maint			
Increase	Revenue	PFAS Filter	Lawsuit Proceeds	97010-456932-TBD	469,900
		Project	PFAS		
Increase	Expense	PFAS Filter	Expense	97010-513026-TBD	469,900
		Project	_		

# BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

<u>Section 4.</u> It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

<u>Section 5.</u> It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

<u>Section 6</u>. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 6.

**Section 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

<b>THIS ORDINANCE</b> was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 25 day of August, 2025 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City				
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ATTEST:				
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