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On November 8, 2022, 86.52% of Baltimore City voters cast their ballot in favor of Question I, which amended the City Charter's requirements for serving on the Advisory Board ("Board") that appoints, advises, and evaluates the Inspector General for Baltimore City ("IG").

As a result of that Charter Amendment, the Advisory Board now consists of nine (9) City residents who are not elected officials, City employees, candidates for office, or lobbyists -- thus making the Board independent of possible conflicts of interest that may arise among those who are subject to the IG's investigative jurisdiction.

The Dean of the University of Baltimore Law School and the Dean of the University of Maryland law school are also members of this independent Advisory Board.

Today, the Office for the Inspector General for Baltimore City ("OIG") is pleased to announce that the first-ever independent Advisory Board has now been convened:

Fifty-six citizens applied to serve on the Board. From that group, fourteen (14) citizens were nominated by City Councilmembers from their respective districts. Seven (7) Board members were chosen at random as the final selection by the Chairman of the Board of Ethics. Two (2) City residents were chosen from professional groups (Certified Public Accountants and Certified Fraud Examiners). All parties have been notified.

The new Board Members' first meeting will include a training session scheduled for **April 18, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.** The session will be open to the public virtually.

The Office of Inspector General is committed to being an office of the people and for the people of Baltimore City and to constantly foster, nurture, and expand its relationship with the public. The OIG takes pride in working for the Citizens of Baltimore.

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