



MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Alice Kennedy, Acting Housing Commissioner *AK*

Date: November 4, 2020

Re: City Council Bill 20-0523 City Streets - Closing - A Portion of West 24th Street

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 20-0523 for the purpose of condemning and closing a 13.5 foot wide portion of West 24th Street, as shown on Plat 330-A-27A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, City Council Bill 20-0523 would condemn and close a portion of West 24th Street in exchange for a portion of Sisson Street to the North. This closure is part of a land exchange with the Department of Transportation to facilitate improvements to Sisson Street and the Sisson Street bridge in exchange for a portion of the sidewalk on 24th Street. The portion of West 24th Street to be closed will be made available to Swirnow Building Systems, which will allow them to relocate their business and properly screen its operations from surrounding neighbors.

DHCD **does not object** to the passage of City Council Bill 20-0523.

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cc: Mr. Blendy, Nicholas, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*