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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 22-0257 – Police Department of Baltimore City-Police Districts-Redistricting		

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TO

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400

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Position: Does Not Oppose

The Department of Finance is herein reporting on City Council Bill 22-0257, Police Department of Baltimore City-Police Districts-Redistricting, the purpose of which is to establish new boundaries for the Baltimore Police Department’s nine police districts.

Background

In 2019, the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation that requires the Baltimore Police Department (BPD) to conduct a redistricting process every 10 years when the U.S. Census data is released. In May 2022, BPD launched the redistricting process to determine the new boundaries and reallocate resources and personnel. The proposed districts were built around data analysis of calls for service, crime trends, high violence areas, and population changes, as well as a public input process. This legislation is the result of that process, establishing new boundaries for the City’s nine police districts.

Fiscal Impact

The Department of Finance anticipates a minimal fiscal impact for the City from this legislation. Resources within BPD will be reallocated as needed to reflect the changed boundaries.

Other Considerations

As this process continues in future years, the City may need to assess whether there may be capital needs should the district boundaries shift so much that the district station for a certain district does not fall in the newly designated district boundaries.

Conclusion

This legislation intends to establish new boundaries for the Baltimore Police Department’s nine police districts. Finance anticipates minimal fiscal impact from this legislation.

For the reasons stated above, the Department of Finance does not oppose City Council Bill 22-0257.

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