

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 14, 2022

TO: Economic and Community Development Committee

FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

POSITION: No Objection

SUBJECT: 22-0281: Urban Renewal – Middle East – Amendment

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 22-0281 introduced by Council President Mosby on September 19, 2022.

PURPOSE

For the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Middle East to extend the life of the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the acquisition and disposition lists in Appendices A, C, and D.

BRIEF HISTORY

The Urban Renewal Plan for Middle East was originally approved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by Ordinance 79-1202 and last amended by Ordinance 21-029. An amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for Middle East is necessary to extend the authorities granted to the City under the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the lists of properties for acquisition and disposition.

Under Article 13, § 2-6 of the Baltimore City Code, no change may be made in any approved renewal plan unless the change is approved in the same manner as that required for the approval of a renewal plan, which is why an ordinance is required to make these changes. Approval of this ordinance will allow the City to continue its redevelopment and rehabilitation efforts in the neighborhood.

FISCAL IMPACT (to BDC)

None.

AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation has No objection to City Council Bill 22-0281.

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at McClark@baltimoredevelopment.com and 410-837-9305.

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