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BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Bill: 22-0264

Landmark List: Exteriors - Canton Railroad Transfer Bridge

Sponsor: Cohen

Introduced: August 15, 2022

Purpose:

For the purpose of designating the Canton Railroad Transfer Bridge, an improvement only parcel located at Ward 01, Section 10, Block 1902-F, Lot 001, as an historical landmark: exterior.

Effective:

The 30th day after the date it is enacted

Agency Reports

City Solicitor	Favorable
Commission on Historical and Architectural Preservation	Favorable
Planning Commission	
Department of Housing and Community Development	Favorable
Baltimore Development Corporation	
Board of Municipal Zoning Appeals	No Comment

Analysis

Current Law

Baltimore City Code; Article 6 – Historical and Architectural Preservation; Subtitle 4 – Designation of Landmarks

In general, an ordinance of the Mayor and City Council is required to:

- (1) add a structure and its appurtenant property to the Landmark List: Exteriors or the Landmark List: Public Interiors; or
- (2) for a structure already on the Landmark List: Exteriors, to modify the boundaries of the appurtenant land or other property that is included in the Landmark designation.

Recommendations from the Commission on Historical and Architectural Preservation and the Planning Commission must be submitted to the Council before the bill is placed on second reading calendar.

Background

Bill 22-0264 proposes to designate as a historical landmark the structure known as Canton Railroad Transfer Bridge which is located near the Canton waterfront. The bridge is located on concrete piers in water that lies about 50 feet off-shore of the Canton Waterfront Park.

The bridge, built in the twentieth century and considered a maritime industrial structure, was used to transfer railroad cars to other points around the harbor.

Additional Information

Fiscal Note: Not Available

Information Source(s): Reporting Agencies and Bill 22-0264

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