

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner

Date: October 29, 2019

Re: City Council Bill 19-0418 Zoning - Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling

Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District - Variance - 1047 North Caroline Street

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0418 for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1047 North Caroline Street (Block 1191, Lot 018), as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and granting a variance from certain off-street parking regulations.

If enacted, this Bill will allow the property at 1047 North Caroline Street to be converted from a single-family dwelling to 2 dwelling units. At its regular meeting of September 12, 2019, the Planning Commission concurred with the recommendation of its Departmental staff and recommended that City Council Bill 19-0418 be passed.

Planning Departmental staff determined that the conversion could advance public interest by creating housing affordable to larger moderate-income families. DHCD does not foresee any direct fiscal or operational impacts as a result of the passage of Council Bill 19-0418.

DHCD has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0418 and supports the passage of the Bill.

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