

The Baltimore City Department of  
**HOUSING & COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT**

**MEMORANDUM**

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

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner *MB*

Date: November 27, 2018

Re: **City Council Bill 18-0281, City Streets – Closing – A Portion of South Washington Street**

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The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0281, for the purpose of condemning and closing a portion of South Washington Street, extending from Aliceanna Street southerly 90 feet to the southernmost extremity of it, as shown on Plat 344-A-60A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill will allow for the development of an adjacent surface parking lot and vacant building by closing a portion of the public right-of-way that is no longer needed for a public purpose.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 18-0281.

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cc: Mr. Kyron Banks, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*