



CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Ren Southard, Acting Director, Department of Planning
CC	Mayor's Office of Government Relations
DATE	June 24, 2026
SUBJECT	City Council Bill #26-0178

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Position: Favorable

SUMMARY OF POSITION

This bill will transfer authority for the oversight of the Harbor from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to the Department of Transportation (DOT), and modernizing City Code to better match modern operations. Planning will remain a partner where the water's edge interacts with landward development such as the Promenade, and other waterfront developments. Other than that intersection of interests, Planning defers to DOT as the most directly impacted agency.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Tiso, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at eric.tiso@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-396-8358.