

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 

**Date:** September 24, 2018

**Re:** **City Council Bill 18-0227 - City Streets – Closing – Wilcox Street and 5 Alleys Bounded by East Chase Street, Ensor Street, East Eager Street, and Valley Street**

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The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0227, for the purpose of condemning and closing Wilcox Street and 5 alleys bounded by East Chase Street, Ensor Street, East Eager Street, and Valley Street, as shown on Plat 331-A-15A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill would support the revitalization efforts in Johnston square and the expansion of Ambrose Kennedy Park.

The Department of Housing and Community Development strongly encourages the passage of City Council Bill 18-0227.

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cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
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