

CITY OF BALTIMORE

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February 15, 2017

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0020 – Building Code Demolition Permit Fees

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0020 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill modifies the maximum permit fee for demolition by changing its application from “per structure” to “per permit.” Article II, §1 of the City Charter gives the Mayor and City council the power by ordinance to “regulate the location, construction, use, operation, maintenance and removal of buildings and structures, or any part thereof, of every kind.” City Council Bill 17-0020 is an appropriate exercise of this authority.

Accordingly, the Law Department approves the City Council Bill 17-0020 for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

Elena R. DiPietro

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Chief Solicitor

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