

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM:

Brenda McKenzie, President and CEO

DATE:

June 27, 2014

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill No. 14-0384

Urban Renewal – Middle East – Amendment

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on City Council Bill No. 14-0384, an ordinance for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan (URP) for the Middle East community.

BDC understands that City Council Bill No. 14-0384 is necessary to reauthorize the acquisition authority within the Plan as well as remove certain properties from the acquisition list. The Middle East URP should be amended to reflect the changes in the community's priorities. For the URP to remain relevant to the community which it protects, the URP needs to be updated.

BDC has reviewed the ordinance and supports the proposed ordinance and is respectfully requesting that Bill No. 14-0384 be given favorable consideration by the City Council.

cc:

Colin Tarbert Angela Gibson

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