

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 18-0094R  
(Resolution)**

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Introduced by: President Young and Councilmembers Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Bullock,  
Burnett, Schleifer, Pinkett, Cohen, Stokes, Sneed, Reisinger, Middleton, Henry

Introduced and read first time: August 6, 2018

Assigned to: Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: Department of Planning, Baltimore Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, Department of Public Works, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of General Services, Department of Recreation and Parks

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A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning

2 **Baltimore City Comprehensive Economic Development Projects Briefing**

3 FOR the purpose of requesting that the Director of the Department of Planning, the Head of the  
4 Capital Improvement Program in the Department of Planning, the President and Chief  
5 Executive Officer and the Executive Vice President of Baltimore Development Corporation,  
6 the Director of the Department of Transportation, the Director of the Department of Public  
7 Works, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the  
8 Director of the Department of General Services, and the Director of the Department of  
9 Recreation and Parks provide a comprehensive and detailed briefing on each of his or her  
10 agency's economic development projects and on each project's supporting financial  
11 resources and incentives, for the projects that are and will be occurring in each of the 14 City  
12 Council Districts.

13 **Recitals**

14 The economic health of our City depends on a strong economic development strategy that  
15 includes new projects, which are publically or privately funded, and the construction and  
16 maintenance of municipal infrastructure. In the City's decision to help finance these projects,  
17 what are the criteria that determine project priorities? With a number of supporting financial  
18 resources and incentives, such as Enterprise zones, Focus Areas, RISE zones, Opportunity  
19 Zones, Payments in Lieu of Taxes, and Taxation Increment Financing, what is the criteria for  
20 determining what financial incentives are offered by the City to private sector economic  
21 development projects? Does there exist in Baltimore City an online resource that would provide  
22 comprehensive information, including a map, that would make the City's economic development  
23 projects transparent?

24 When each agency provides its detailed briefing, the agency is requested to provide an  
25 assessment as to how its projects are prioritized, categorized, monitored, made transparent, and  
26 assessed for flexibility.

27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the  
28 Baltimore City Council requests the Director of the Department of Planning, the Head of the

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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4 Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Director of the  
5 Department of General Services, and the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to  
6 provide a comprehensive and detailed briefing on each of his or her agency's economic  
7 development projects and on each project's supporting financial resources and incentives, for the  
8 projects that are and will be occurring in each of the 14 City Council Districts

9 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Director of the  
10 Department of Planning, the Head of the Capital Improvement Program in the Department of  
11 Planning, the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Vice President of  
12 Baltimore Development Corporation, the Director of the Department of Transportation, the  
13 Director of the Department of Public Works, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing  
14 and Community Development, the Director of the Department of General Services, the Director  
15 of the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the Baltimore  
16 City Council.