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

Re: City Council Bill 19-0405 –General Fund Operating Appropriation Transfer -
Transfer in the Aggregate Amount of \$4,260,000 from Various Agency
Services to the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Department of
Transportation and the Department of Planning.

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0405 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill provides for a transfer of a General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$4,260,000 from various agency services to the Department of Recreation and Parks the Department of Transportation and the Department of Planning. The bill has an immediate effective date.

The City Charter permits transferring an appropriation in the Ordinance of Estimates from one entity to another so long as it recommended by the Board of Estimates and approved by ordinance of the Mayor and City Council. City Charter, Art. VI, §9(a)(2). Certain bill reports would be required if the transferred funds are for a capital expenditure, but there are no capital expenditures contemplated in these transfers. City Charter, Art. VI, §9.

In conformance with the City Charter, the bill states that the Board of Estimates approved the transfers on June 26, 2019. Since this bill is the appropriate mechanism to effectuate the transfers, the Law Department approves it for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elena R. DiPietro".

Elena R. DiPietro
Chief Solicitor

cc: Andre M. Davis, City Solicitor
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