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	SUBJECT	City Council Resolution 21-0005R	M E M O	

TO: Mayor Brandon M. Scott
TO: Health, Environment & Technology Committee
FROM: Department of Transportation
POSITION: **Support**
RE: Council Resolution – 21-0005R

DATE: 3/16/21

INTRODUCTION – Department of General Services Update on Sanitizing City-Owned Buildings

PURPOSE/PLANS – For the purpose of requesting that the Department of General Services provide the City Council with an update on how employees of DGS have been keeping City-owned buildings clean during the COVID-19 pandemic and post information about cleaning schedules in these buildings.

COMMENTS – Council Resolution 20-0005R calls on the Department of General Services to provide members of the Baltimore City Council an update on how the agency has work to sanitize city-owned facilities over the course of the pandemic. Baltimore City DOT has been working in partnership throughout the course of the COVID-19 pandemic with the Department of General Services, the Health Department, and the Office of Emergency Management in a continued effort to reduce both employee and public exposure to COVID-19.

While a number of DOT functions and services can be completed remotely, away from City-owned facilities, that is not the case of all DOT Divisions. In particular, services performed by DOT’s Maintenance Division, Safety Division, Towing Division, and Traffic Division require employees to report to City-owned facilities and operate City-owned vehicles. DOT has put in place safety precautions to reduce COVID-19 exposure risk, including but not limited to:

- Requirement of mask wearing in all DOT facilities and vehicles
- Utilization of the Eموcha Health App to screen each shift of incoming employees
- Implementation of internal agency audits of employee screening
- Distribution of critical personal protection equipment (PPE) to frontline DOT workers
- Utilization of staggered shifts to reduce the number of employees in DOT facilities during the workday
- Encouragement of employees who can fulfill their duties while working remotely do so

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION – The Department of Transportation **supports** Council Resolution 21-0005R.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-545-3207.

Sincerely,

Steve Sharkey
Director