

The Baltimore City Department of  
**HOUSING & COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT**

## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner 

Date: September 12, 2017

Re: **City Council Bill 17-0077 - Repeal of Rosemont Urban Renewal Area and Plan**

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The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0077, for the purpose of repealing Ordinance 03-509, as amended by Ordinance 16-540, which established the Rosemont Urban Renewal Area and Plan; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill would repeal the Rosemont Urban Renewal Area and Plan, which was approved in April of 2003 and amended in November of 2016. The passage of the new Baltimore City Zoning code in June of 2017 created new industrial mixed-use and light industrial mixed-use zoning districts that are part of Rosemont's Comprehensive Master Plan, so the Urban Renewal Plan is no longer helpful in guiding the redevelopment of the area.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0077.

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cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Mr. Kyrion Banks, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*