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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 19-0456 – High Performance Newly Constructed
Dwellings – Clarification

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0414 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would remove the requirement that applications for the High Performance Newly Constructed Tax Credit be filed within ninety days of enactment of the ordinance that created the credit if the property was purchased after July 1, 2018. Removing this hurdle will allow applications by those who could not apply within that timeframe because the application process was not finalized. This change to the credit, as well as the credit itself, are within the authority given to the City by Section 9-242 of the Tax Property Article of the Maryland Code. The Law Department approves this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor

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