

CITY OF BALTIMORE MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Dana Petersen Moore Director of the Office of Equity and Civil Rights Baltimore City Chief Equity Officer
DATE	April 5, 2024
SUBJECT	OECR Report on Council Bill 24-0501 Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District – Variances – 1833 West Lexington Street

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The Honorable President and Members of the City Council City Hall, Room 400 Baltimore, MD 21202

OECR Position: Favorable

SUMMARY OF POSITION

The Office of Equity and Civil Rights (OECR) has reviewed and is herein reporting on City Council Bill 24-0501 Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District – Variances – 1833 West Lexington Street.

The bill

- Subject to certain conditions, permits the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit into to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 1833 West Lexington Street, Baltimore MD.
- Grants certain variances from off-street parking requirements.
- Establishes a special effective date, i.e., that it shall take effect on the date that it is enacted.
- Is pursuant to Article Zoning, Sections 5-201(a), 5-308, 9-701(2), 9-703 (f), 16-203, and 16-602 (Table 16-406) of the Baltimore City Revised Code (Edition 2000).

CONCLUSION

The OECR has reviewed the bill report submitted by the Department of Housing & Community Development and a letter of support submitted by the Franklin Square Community Association. Based on the details and analysis contained in the DHCD report, the community association's letter

of support, and the lack of opposition to the bill, and our own review and determination that there is no inequity in approving Bill 24-0501, OECR supports a **favorable** committee report on Bill 24-0501.

Respectfully submitted,

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