

Introduced by: Councilmember Henry  
Prepared by: Department of Legislative Reference

*Clarke, Cohen, Bullock, Schweitzer, DORSEY, Keith, Costello, Bond, Pincus, Stokes*  
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Date: November 29, 2017

Referred to: **HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS** Committee

Also referred for recommendation and report to municipal agencies listed on reverse.

CITY COUNCIL 17-068

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning

**Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places**

FOR the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

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Section(s) 16-1 to 16-3, 16-6, 16-8, 16-9, and 16-12  
Baltimore City Code  
(Edition 2000)

BY redesignating

Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts  
Subtitle 16. Public Safety Conservation Areas  
to be  
"Subtitle 16. Bmore Safe Places"  
Baltimore City Code  
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*C. T. Costa*

*Robert Stokes*

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

*[Signatures: Bill, DORSEY, Bullock, L. J. ...]*

**\*\*The introduction of an Ordinance or Resolution by Councilmembers at the request of any person, firm or organization is a courtesy extended by the Councilmembers and not an indication of their position.**

**Agencies**

Baltimore City Public School System

Baltimore Development Corporation

City Solicitor

Comptroller's Office

Department of Audits

Department of Finance

Department of General Services

Department of Housing and Community Development

Department of Human Resources

Department of Planning

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Department of Public Works

Department of Real Estate

Department of Recreation and Parks

Department of Transportation

Fire Department

Health Department

Mayor's Office of Employment Development

Mayor's Office of Human Services

Mayor's Office of Information Technology

Office of the Mayor

Police Department

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Boards and Commissions**

Board of Estimates

Board of Ethics

Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals

Comm. for Historical and Architectural Preservation

Commission on Sustainability

Employees' Retirement System

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Environmental Control Board

Fire & Police Employees' Retirement System

Labor Commissioner

Parking Authority Board

Planning Commission

Wage Commission

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
ORDINANCE **18-106**  
Council Bill 17-0168

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Clarke, Cohen, Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Burnett,  
Bullock, Schleifer, Middleton, Sneed, Pinkett, Stokes  
Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2017  
Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee  
Committee Report: Favorable  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: February 5, 2018

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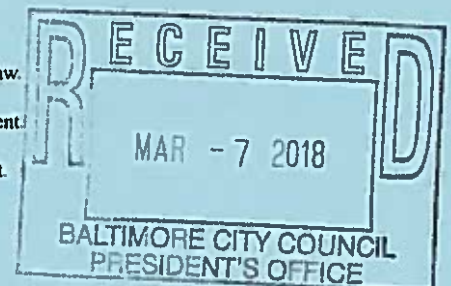
**Baltimore City Code**

**Article 14. Special Benefits Districts**

**SUBTITLE 16**

**[PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION AREAS] BMORE SAFE PLACES**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.



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1 **§ 16-1. Definitions.**

2 (a) *In general.*

3 In this subtitle, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

4 (b) *Area.*

5 “Area” means an area consisting of 2 or more block faces.

6 (c) *Block face.*

7 “Block face” means all properties, including commercial, religious, and residential  
8 properties, on 1 side of a street between 2 consecutive intersecting streets.

9 (d) *Board.*

10 “Board” means the [Baltimore Urban Lighting] BMORE SAFE PLACES Board established  
11 by this subtitle.

12 (e) [*Public Safety Conservation*] *NEIGHBORWATCH Area.*

13 “[Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area” means an area designated as a  
14 [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area under this subtitle.

15 **§ 16-2. Program established.**

16 (a) *In general.*

17 There is a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area Program to promote a  
18 crime-free environment in neighborhoods, with priority attention for public upgrades  
19 given to neighborhoods that organize themselves to improve their own private lighting  
20 and trimming of greenery TO REDUCE INTERFERENCE WITH THE LIGHTING OF THE  
21 NEIGHBORHOOD AND ALSO EITHER:

22 (1) REGISTER PRIVATELY-OWNED SECURITY CAMERAS WITH THE CITY; OR

23 (2) RUN THEIR OWN RESIDENT-BASED OR PRIVATELY-FUNDED SECURITY PATROL.

24 (b) *Availability.*

25 The Program is available to all qualified areas of the City.

26 (c) *Qualifications.*

27 To qualify for the Program, an area must meet the criteria set forth in this subtitle and in  
28 the rules and regulations adopted by the Board under this subtitle.

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1 **§ 16-3. Board established.**

2 (a) *In general.*

3 There is a [Baltimore Urban Lighting] BMORE SAFE PLACES Board.

4 (b) *Composition.*

5 The Board comprises the following [18] 21 members:

6 (1) [11] 14 members appointed by the Mayor in accordance with Article IV, § 6 of the  
7 City Charter.[, of which:]

8 [(i) 1 must be a member of the Property Owners' Association of Greater  
9 Baltimore, Inc.; and]

10 [(ii) 1 must be a member of the Greater Baltimore Committee.]

11 (2) 1 Councilmember appointed by the City Council President.

12 (3) The Police Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee.

13 (4) The Director of Recreation and Parks or the Director's designee.

14 (5) The Commissioner of Housing and Community Development or the  
15 Commissioner's designee.

16 (6) The Director of Transportation or the Director's designee.

17 (7) The Director of Planning or the Director's designee.

18 (8) The Director of the Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice or the Director's designee.

19 **§ 16-6. General duties.**

20 The Board shall:

21 (1) publicize and promote the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area  
22 Program established by this subtitle USING MATERIALS APPROVED BY THE BOARD;  
23 [and]

24 (2) consider applications requesting designation of areas as [Public Safety Conservation]  
25 NEIGHBORWATCH Areas; AND

26 (3) APPROVE THE DESIGN AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE SIGNS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
27 TRANSPORTATION MUST PROVIDE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 16-12(F) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

28 **§ 16-8. Rules and regulations.**

29 The Board shall adopt rules and regulations to:

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- 1 (1) govern its procedures;
- 2 (2) implement the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area Program; and
- 3 (3) otherwise carry out this subtitle.

4 **§ 16-9. Applications for designation.**

5 (a) *Applications by residents.*

- 6 (1) To be considered for the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area  
7 Program, a neighborhood group, group of residents, or community association shall  
8 submit an application to the Board indicating that at least 60% of the residents of the  
9 area wish to be designated a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area.
- 10 (2) The boundary of the proposed [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area  
11 must be clearly identified in the application.
- 12 (3) In addition, the residents [applying must certify in the application that they have or  
13 will have and will use front and rear outdoor lights] MUST CERTIFY IN THE  
14 APPLICATION WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING THEY ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE:
  - 15 (I) THE LOCATION AND OWNERSHIP OF ALL PRIVATELY-OWNED SECURITY  
16 CAMERAS TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY;
  - 17 (II) THE FREQUENCY OF ANY RESIDENT-BASED OR PRIVATELY-FUNDED SECURITY  
18 PATROL;
  - 19 (III) A COMMITMENT THAT THEY HAVE AND WILL USE FRONT AND REAR OUTDOOR  
20 LIGHTS ON THEIR INDIVIDUAL HOMES; OR
  - 21 (IV) A COMMITMENT THAT THEY WILL TRIM BACK - AND KEEP TRIMMED - ANY  
22 PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC  
23 OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

24 (b) *Applications by Police Commissioner.*

25 If the Police Commissioner determines that a delay would be harmful to the public safety  
26 and welfare, the Commissioner may apply directly to the Board to have an area  
27 designated a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area.

28 **§ 16-12. Operation of Program.**

29 (a) *In general.*

30 On designation of a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area, the City will  
31 take the following steps in the Area.

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1 (b) *Private lighting confirmed.*

2 Private lighting will be confirmed.

3 (c) *Privately owned [trees] GREENERY.*

4 The City Forester will inspect [trees] GREENERY on private property and make  
5 recommendations to the owners for trimming ANY PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH  
6 MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

7 (d) *Publicly owned trees.*

8 The City Forester will trim all trees on public property that interfere with or decrease the  
9 effectiveness of the street lighting.

10 (e) *Upgraded street lighting.*

11 Street lighting will be upgraded on a priority basis, using state-of-the-art technology to  
12 achieve the most acceptable level of lighting at the most reasonable cost.

13 (F) *SIGNAGE.*

14 THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WILL POST AT LEAST ONE SIGN ON EACH  
15 BLOCKFACE OF THE AREA, STATING THAT THIS BLOCK IS PART OF A NEIGHBORWATCH  
16 AREA.

17 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance  
18 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior  
19 Ordinance.

20 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
21 after the date it is enacted.

Council Bill 17-0168

Certified as duly passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of FEB 26, 2018


  
\_\_\_\_\_  
President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of FEB 26, 2018

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk

Approved this 5 day of March, 2018

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor, Baltimore City

Approved For Form and Legal Sufficiency

This 29<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 2018

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Solicitor



**BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Housing And Urban Affairs Committee**  
**VOTING RECORD**

DATE: 1-23-18

BILL#CC: 17- 0168 BILL TITLE: Ordinance – Special Benefits District –  
 Bmore Safe Places

MOTION BY: HENRY SECONDED BY: DORSEY

- FAVORABLE                       FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS  
 UNFAVORABLE                       WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
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Schleifer, I. Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burnett, K.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Henry, B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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CHAIRPERSON: *J. Bullock*  
 COMMITTEE STAFF: Richard G. Krummerich, Initials: *RK*



CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

REGINALD MOORE, Director  
DR. RALPH W. E. JONES, JR. BUILDING  
3001 East Drive - Druid Hill Park  
Baltimore, Maryland 21217  
410-396-7900

January 23, 2018

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, RM 400  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

RE: **CITY COUNCIL BILL #17-0168**  
**SPECIAL BENEFITS DISTRICTS - BMORE SAFE**

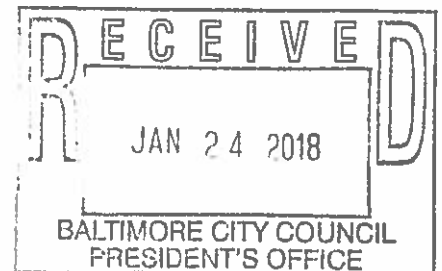
The Department of Recreation & Parks (BCRP) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0168 to redesignate the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program and to create Bmore Safe Places Board to implement that program. It requires the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated areas relevant to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

When enacted, the bill would rename the City's Public Safety Conservation Area program to the NeighborWatch Area Program and create improvements to the program that would support the neighborhoods that work to implement crime free initiatives.


The Department of Recreation & Parks supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0168.

Sincerely,

Reginald Moore  
Director





FROM	NAME & TITLE	Michelle Pourciau, Director	CITY of <b>BALTIMORE</b>  MEMO	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0168		

TO Mayor Catherine E. Pugh

DATE: January 23, 2018

TO: Respective City Council Housing and Urban Affairs Committee  
 FROM: Department of Transportation  
 POSITION: Support  
 RE: Council Bill – 17-0168

**INTRODUCTION** – Special Benefits Districts - Bmore Safe Places - Bmore Safe Places For the purpose of redesignating the City’s Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

**PURPOSE/PLANS** – Signage. The Department Of Transportation will post at least one sign on each blockface of the area, stating that this block is part of a NeighborWatch area.

**BRIEF HISTORY** – N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT AND TIME ESTIMATION** – Per Block Estimated Cost \$1,972.17.

The following breakdown includes two signs per block, with a sign at each approach end.

Item	Timeline	Approximated Cost
Sign Fabrication Materials (2/block)	2 weeks	\$392.68
Sign Fabrication Labor	1 week	\$1,138.60
Sign Installation Labor	2 days	\$440.89
Estimated Total Cost of Labor and Materials		\$1,972.17

Please find that the signage process, including plan review, fabrication, and installation, will need an allotted estimated timeframe of approximately 60 days.

The process demands approvals of signage and verbiage by Baltimore City Police Department, which is approximated to take one week’s time. Upon receipt of design approval by Baltimore City Police Department, two weeks will be allotted for sign fabrication (given the estimated scope of the project). Additionally, DOT Right of Way Division must approve planned locations in the event of any obstruction due to utilities. Right of Way approvals may take up to two weeks; only after approvals may installation begin. Installation per block will take 2 days.

**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION** –

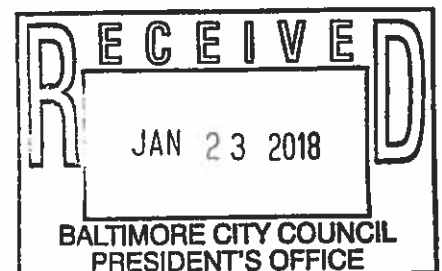
The Department of Transportation supports City Council 17-0168.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Katelyn McCauley at Katelyn.McCauley@baltimorecity.gov, 443-677-9391.

Sincerely,



Michelle Pourciau  
Director



**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 17-0168  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Clarke, Cohen, Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Burnett,  
Bullock, Schleifer, Middleton, Sneed, Pinkett, Stokes

Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2017

Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Baltimore  
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Community Development, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, Police  
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25 **SUBTITLE 16**

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## McCauley, Katelyn

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**From:** Sinha, Dharendra  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:47 AM  
**To:** McCauley, Katelyn  
**Subject:** Sign fabrication and installation

Hi Katelyn,

The one week charges for the Sign Fabricator will be \$1138.60 and for 2 days for sign installer will be \$440.89. Please let me know if anything else is needed.

Thanks,

Dhirendra K. Sinha ( DK )  
Chief of Fiscal – Fiscal Division  
Baltimore City Department of Transportation  
417 E. Fayette Street. Rm # 523  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
410-396-6809  
410-396-6842 ( fax)





## McCauley, Katelyn

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**From:** Ching, Kenith  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:00 AM  
**To:** McCauley, Katelyn  
**Cc:** Taylor, Damonnen  
**Subject:** FW: BMore Safe Space Signage  
**Attachments:** 17-0168-1st Reader (1).pdf

I have read the attached and have no objections. However there should be a cost associated for fabrication and installation. The cost information would be from \$175.34 to \$196.34 per sign.

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**From:** McCauley, Katelyn  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:50 AM  
**To:** Ching, Kenith  
**Subject:** BMore Safe Space Signage

Last page- (f) signage.

Also, any costs you think would be associated with this, ballpark, or cost per sign I will add to the report.

**Katelyn McCauley**  
Legislative Analyst  
Baltimore City Department of Transportation  
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Baltimore, MD 21202  
Mobile: 443-677-9391







CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

ANDRE M. DAVIS, CITY SOLICITOR  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Suite 101, City Hall  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

January 23, 2018

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

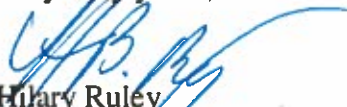
Re: City Council Bill 17-0168 — Special Benefits District — Bmore Safe Places

Dear President and City Council Members:

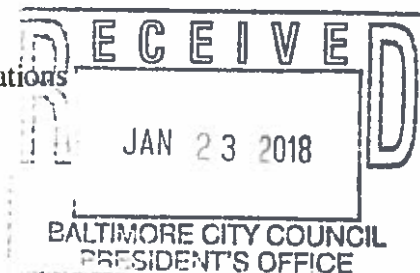
The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0168 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would amend Subtitle 16 of Article 14 of the City Code concerning what is now called the Public Safety Conservation Areas. It would change the name of those areas to be NeighborWatch Areas and add to the certification requirement as part of the application to be a such an area. The bill would change the name of the Baltimore Urban Lighting Board to the Bmore Safe Places Board and increase the Board's membership by three additional people to be appointed by the Mayor. The bill would remove the requirement that any mayoral appointees be members of the Property Owners' Association of Greater Baltimore, Inc. or of the Greater Baltimore Committee. The Boards' duties would be amended to include approval of the signs that the City Department of Transportation ("DOT") would be required to post to designate the areas.

The requirement that DOT erect these signs is arguably within the powers it is permitted to exercise under the Baltimore City Charter. Charter, Art. VII, §116(l). Additionally, all the amendments offered in this bill are permissible exercises of the authority granted to the Mayor and City Council by the General Assembly. Charter, Art. II, §§(27)(47). As there are no legal impediments to this bill, the Law Department approves it for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

  
Hilary Ruley  
Chief Solicitor

cc: Karen Stokes, Director, Mayor's Office of Government Relations  
Kyron Banks, Mayor's Legislative Liaison  
Elena DiPietro, Chief Solicitor, General Counsel Division  
Victor Tervalá, Chief Solicitor  
Hilary Ruley, Chief Solicitor  
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Catherine Pugh  
Mayor

# BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Darryl De Sousa  
Police Commissioner  
Designee

January 22, 2018

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
Room 400, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

*Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary*

**Re: City Council Bill No. 17-0168  
Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places**

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

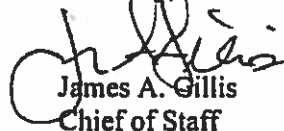
The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed Council Bill 17-0168. This legislation is for the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

The BPD supports this bill.

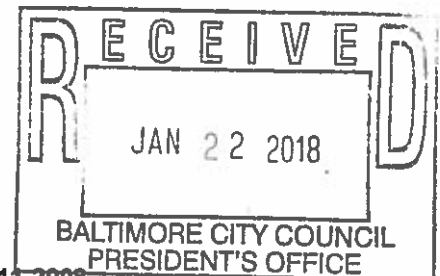
This legislation provides both the government and the community that it serves valuable tools for making our City safer, among other things. Lighting, physical space, cameras, and supplemental security patrols all play a role in public safety, and represent real community engagement.

The BPD looks forward to working with the City Council on this important matter.

Sincerely,


  
James A. Gillis  
Chief of Staff

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c/o 242 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street • Baltimore, Maryland 21211-2908



<b>FROM</b>	NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR	CITY of BALTIMORE <b>MEMO</b>	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #17-0168/ SPECIAL BENEFITS DISTRICTS – BMORE SAFE PLACES		

DATE:

TO

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, Room 400  
100 North Holliday Street

January 19, 2018

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #17-0168, which is for the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

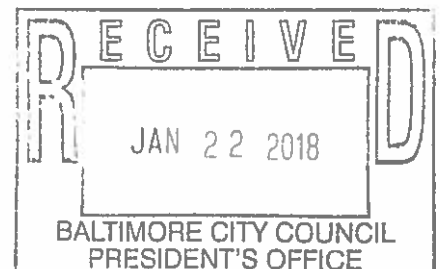
If enacted, this bill will not only rename the City's Public Safety Conservation Area program but also enhance City support for neighborhood efforts to reduce crime and promote public safety. The Department of Planning recommends approval of City Council Bill #17-0168.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Stephanie Smith, Assistant Director, at 410-396-8337.

TJS/SS

- cc: Mr. Pete Hammen, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr. Jim Smith, Chief of Strategic Alliances  
Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office  
Mr. Colin Tarbert, Mayor's Office  
Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office  
The Honorable Edward Reisinger, Council Rep. to Planning Commission  
Mr. William H. Cole IV, BDC  
Mr. David Tanner, BMZA  
Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration  
Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD  
Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.  
Mr. Francis Burnszynski, PABC  
Ms. Valorie LaCour, DOT  
Ms. Natawna Austin, Council Services

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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 *MBB*

Date: January 17, 2018

Re: City Council Bill 17-0168 - Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places

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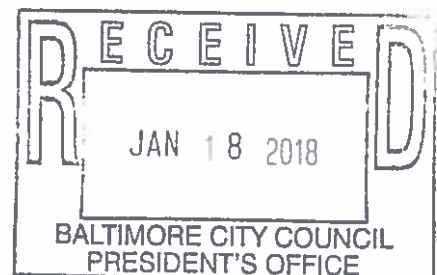
The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0168, for the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

If enacted, this bill would rename the City's Public Safety Conservation Area program to the NeighborWatch Area Program and create improvements to the program that would support neighborhoods where residents work together to implement initiatives that move towards a crime-free environment.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0168.

MB:sd

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



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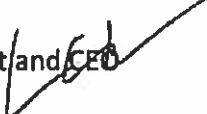






## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
Attention: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary

**FROM:** William H. Cole, President and CEO 

**DATE:** January 4, 2018

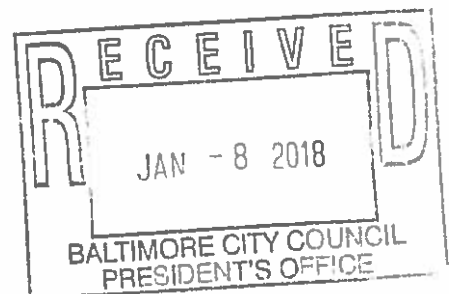
**SUBJECT:** City Council Bill No. 17-0168  
Special Benefits District – Bmore Safe Places

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The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on City Council Bill 17-0168, for the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program. If passed, the bill will support safe neighborhoods that promote vibrant and healthy communities.

The BDC respectfully requests that favorable consideration is given by the City Council for Bill No. 17-0168.

cc: Kyron Banks







# City of Baltimore

City Council  
City Hall, Room 408  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland  
21202

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

2:00 PM Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall

17-0168

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**Present** 7 - Member John T. Bullock, Member Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Member Kristerfer Burnett, Member Bill Henry, Member Shannon Sneed, Member Zeke Cohen, and Member Ryan Dorsey

#### **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

**17-0168**

##### **Special Benefits Districts - Bmore Safe Places**

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**Sponsors:** Bill Henry, Mary Pat Clarke, Zeke Cohen, Ryan Dorsey, Brandon M. Scott, Eric T. Costello, Kristerfer Burnett, John T. Bullock, Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer, Sharon Green Middleton, Shannon Sneed, Leon F. Pinkett, III, Robert Stokes, Sr.

**A motion was made by Member Henry, seconded by Member Dorsey, that this Ordinance be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Member Bullock, Member "Yitzy" Schleifer, Member Burnett, Member Henry, Member Sneed, Member Cohen, and Member Dorsey

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**THIS HEARING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**



CITY OF BALTIMORE

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HEARING NOTES

Bill: CC 17-0168

Ordinance – Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places

Committee: Housing and Urban Affairs
Chaired By: Councilmember John Bullock

Hearing Date: January 23, 2018
Time (Beginning): 2:08 PM
Time (Ending): 2:20 PM
Location: Clarence "Du" Burns Chamber
Total Attendance: 22
Committee Members in Attendance:
John Bullock Zeke Cohen
Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer Ryan Dorsey
Kristerfer Burnett
Bill Henry
Sharon Sneed

Bill Synopsis in the file? [X] yes [ ] no [ ] n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? [X] yes [ ] no [ ] n/a
Agency reports read? [X] yes [ ] no [ ] n/a
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded? [ ] yes [ ] no [X] n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? [ ] yes [ ] no [X] n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners? [ ] yes [ ] no [X] n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? [X] yes [ ] no [ ] n/a
Motioned by: Councilmember Henry
Seconded by: Councilmember Dorsey
Final Vote: Favorable

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Councilman Bill Henry (D.4th)
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### Major Issues Discussed

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1. Chair Bullock convened the Hearing and recognized the assembled guests. He then called on councilmember Henry as sponsor of the Legislation.
  2. The Sponsor explained he introduced this legislation to help give modern tools to Community Organizations in the fight against crime.
  3. None of the Agencies present had any additions to their written filings, and there was no public testimony.
  4. The Bill passed on a 7-0 vote and the Chair adjourned the Hearing.
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### Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes    No

If yes, describe.

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### Committee Vote:

J. Bullock:..... Yea  
I. Schleifer: ..... Yea  
K. Burnett: ..... Yea  
B. Henry: ..... Yea  
S. Sneed: ..... Yea  
Z. Cohen: ..... Yea  
R. Dorsey: ..... Yea  
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Richard G. Krummerich, Committee Staff  
cc: Bill File  
    OCS Chrono File

Date: January 23, 2018









# CITY OF BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL HEARING ATTENDANCE RECORD

Committee: \* Housing and Urban Affairs      Chairperson: \* John Bullock  
 Date: January 23, 2018      Time: 2:00 PM      Place: \* Council Chambers  
 Subject: \* - Ordinance - Special Benefits District - Bmore Safe Places      CC Bill Number: 17-0168

PLEASE PRINT

IF YOU WANT TO TESTIFY PLEASE CHECK HERE



FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	ST. #	ADDRESS/ORGANIZATION NAME	ZIP	EMAIL ADDRESS	WHAT IS YOUR POSITION ON THIS BILL?		LOBBYIST: ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE CITY (*)
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KATELYN	MCCauley	417	E Fayette St	21202	kate@promscapuley@baltimorecity.gov	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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IRA	Kawler		BDC		ikawler@baltimoredevelopment.com			
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# City of Baltimore

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## Meeting Agenda - Final

### Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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Tuesday, January 23, 2018

2:00 PM

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17-0168

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17-0168

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## BILL SYNOPSIS

**Committee:** Housing and Urban Affairs

**Bill CC 17-0168**

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### Ordinance – Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places

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**Sponsor:** Councilmember Henry, et al

**Introduced:** December 4, 2017

**Purpose:**

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**Effective:** 30 days after enactment

**Hearing Date/Time/Location:** January 23, 2018 at 2:00 PM in the Council Chambers

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### Agency Reports

Baltimore Development Corporation	Favorable
Planning Commission	
Department of Law	
Department of Housing and Community Development	Favorable
Department of Transportation	
Police Department	
Department of Recreation and Parks	
Board of Estimates	

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## **Analysis**

### **Current Law**

Article 14 Section 16 of the Baltimore City code establishes a Public Safety Conservation Program Designated area in the City are eligible for programs designed to reduce crime and increase public safety.

### **Background**

In recent years crime in Baltimore City has reached near record levels. The Public Safety Benefits Districts were created to help troubled neighborhoods combat violence.

CC 17-0168 attempts to modernize the program to help communities combat modern trends in crime and violence. Among its highlights:

1. Public Safety Conversation Areas are renamed NeighborWatch Areas.
2. Allows for the use of private security cameras.
3. Allows for private security patrols.
4. Requires the installation of state of the art lighting in NeighborWatch Areas
5. Requires the City Forrester to trim shrubs to maximize the benefits of lighting.
6. Requires the Department of Transportation to install signage announcing the location of NeighborWatch Areas



## Additional Information

**Fiscal Note:** Not Available

**Information Source(s):** Bill file

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Analysis by: Richard G. Krummerich *RK* Direct Inquiries to: 410-396-1266  
Analysis Date: 1-19-18



**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 17-0168  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Clarke, Cohen, Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Burnett,  
Bullock, Schleifer, Middleton, Sneed, Pinkett, Stokes  
Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2017  
Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Baltimore  
Development Corporator., - . . . . ., Department of Housing and  
Community Development, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, Police  
Department, Department of Recreation and Parks

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places**

3 FOR the purpose of redesignating the City’s Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the  
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8 Program.

9 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

10 Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts  
11 Section(s) 16-1 to 16-3, 16-6, 16-8, 16-9, and 16-12  
12 Baltimore City Code  
13 (Edition 2000)

14 BY redesignating

15 Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts  
16 Subtitle 16. Public Safety Conservation Areas  
17 to be  
18 “Subtitle 16. Bmore Safe Places”  
19 Baltimore City Code  
20 (Edition 2000)

21 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the**  
22 **Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:**

23 **Baltimore City Code**

24 **Article 14. Special Benefits Districts**

25 **SUBTITLE 16**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

**Council Bill 17-0168**

**[PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION AREAS] BMORE SAFE PLACES**

**§ 16-1. Definitions.**

(a) *In general.*

In this subtitle, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

(b) *Area.*

“Area” means an area consisting of 2 or more block faces.

(c) *Block face.*

“Block face” means all properties, including commercial, religious, and residential properties, on 1 side of a street between 2 consecutive intersecting streets.

(d) *Board.*

“Board” means the [Baltimore Urban Lighting] BMORE SAFE PLACES Board established by this subtitle.

(e) *[Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area.*

“[Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area” means an area designated as a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area under this subtitle.

**§ 16-2. Program established.**

(a) *In general.*

There is a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area Program to promote a crime-free environment in neighborhoods, with priority attention for public upgrades given to neighborhoods that organize themselves to improve their own private lighting and trimming of greenery TO REDUCE INTERFERENCE WITH THE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND ALSO EITHER:

(1) REGISTER PRIVATELY-OWNED SECURITY CAMERAS WITH THE CITY; OR

(2) RUN THEIR OWN RESIDENT-BASED OR PRIVATELY-FUNDED SECURITY PATROL.

(b) *Availability.*

The Program is available to all qualified areas of the City.

(c) *Qualifications.*

To qualify for the Program, an area must meet the criteria set forth in this subtitle and in the rules and regulations adopted by the Board under this subtitle.

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**§ 16-3. Board established.**

(a) *In general.*

There is a [Baltimore Urban Lighting] BMORE SAFE PLACES Board.

(b) *Composition.*

The Board comprises the following [18] 21 members:

(1) [11] 14 members appointed by the Mayor in accordance with Article IV, § 6 of the City Charter.[, of which:]

[(i) 1 must be a member of the Property Owners' Association of Greater Baltimore, Inc.; and]

[(ii) 1 must be a member of the Greater Baltimore Committee.]

(2) 1 Councilmember appointed by the City Council President.

(3) The Police Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee.

(4) The Director of Recreation and Parks or the Director's designee.

(5) The Commissioner of Housing and Community Development or the Commissioner's designee.

(6) The Director of Transportation or the Director's designee.

(7) The Director of Planning or the Director's designee.

(8) The Director of the Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice or the Director's designee.

**§ 16-6. General duties.**

The Board shall:

(1) publicize and promote the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area Program established by this subtitle USING MATERIALS APPROVED BY THE BOARD; [and]

(2) consider applications requesting designation of areas as [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Areas; AND

(3) APPROVE THE DESIGN AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE SIGNS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUST PROVIDE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 16-12(F) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

**§ 16-8. Rules and regulations.**

The Board shall adopt rules and regulations to:



**Council Bill 17-0168**

- 1 (1) govern its procedures;
- 2 (2) implement the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area Program; and
- 3 (3) otherwise carry out this subtitle.

4 **§ 16-9. Applications for designation.**

5 (a) *Applications by residents.*

- 6 (1) To be considered for the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area  
7 Program, a neighborhood group, group of residents, or community association shall  
8 submit an application to the Board indicating that at least 60% of the residents of the  
9 area wish to be designated a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area.
- 10 (2) The boundary of the proposed [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area  
11 must be clearly identified in the application.
- 12 (3) In addition, the residents [applying must certify in the application that they have or  
13 will have and will use front and rear outdoor lights] MUST CERTIFY IN THE  
14 APPLICATION WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING THEY ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE:
  - 15 (I) THE LOCATION AND OWNERSHIP OF ALL PRIVATELY-OWNED SECURITY  
16 CAMERAS TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY;
  - 17 (II) THE FREQUENCY OF ANY RESIDENT-BASED OR PRIVATELY-FUNDED SECURITY  
18 PATROL;
  - 19 (III) A COMMITMENT THAT THEY HAVE AND WILL USE FRONT AND REAR OUTDOOR  
20 LIGHTS ON THEIR INDIVIDUAL HOMES; OR
  - 21 (IV) A COMMITMENT THAT THEY WILL TRIM BACK - AND KEEP TRIMMED - ANY  
22 PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC  
23 OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

24 (b) *Applications by Police Commissioner.*

25 If the Police Commissioner determines that a delay would be harmful to the public safety  
26 and welfare, the Commissioner may apply directly to the Board to have an area  
27 designated a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area.

28 **§ 16-12. Operation of Program.**

29 (a) *In general.*

30 On designation of a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area, the City will  
31 take the following steps in the Area.

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1 (b) *Private lighting confirmed.*

2 Private lighting will be confirmed.

3 (c) *Privately owned [trees] GREENERY.*

4 The City Forester will inspect [trees] GREENERY on private property and make  
5 recommendations to the owners for trimming ANY PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH  
6 MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

7 (d) *Publicly owned trees.*

8 The City Forester will trim all trees on public property that interfere with or decrease the  
9 effectiveness of the street lighting.

10 (e) *Upgraded street lighting.*

11 Street lighting will be upgraded on a priority basis, using state-of-the-art technology to  
12 achieve the most acceptable level of lighting at the most reasonable cost.

13 (F) *SIGNAGE.*

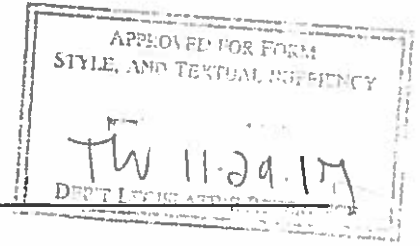
14 THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WILL POST AT LEAST ONE SIGN ON EACH  
15 BLOCKFACE OF THE AREA, STATING THAT THIS BLOCK IS PART OF A NEIGHBORWATCH  
16 AREA.

17 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance  
18 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior  
19 Ordinance.

20 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30<sup>th</sup> day  
21 after the date it is enacted.



**INTRODUCTORY\***  
**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**



Introduced by: Councilmember Henry

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The Program is available to all qualified areas of the City.

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To qualify for the Program, an area must meet the criteria set forth in this subtitle and in the rules and regulations adopted by the Board under this subtitle.

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The Board comprises the following [18] 21 members:

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The Board shall adopt rules and regulations to:

- (1) govern its procedures;

- (2) implement the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area Program; and
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(a) *Applications by residents.*

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- (2) The boundary of the proposed [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area must be clearly identified in the application.
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  - (I) THE LOCATION AND OWNERSHIP OF ALL PRIVATELY-OWNED SECURITY CAMERAS TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY;
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  - (IV) A COMMITMENT THAT THEY WILL TRIM BACK - AND KEEP TRIMMED - ANY PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

(b) *Applications by Police Commissioner.*

If the Police Commissioner determines that a delay would be harmful to the public safety and welfare, the Commissioner may apply directly to the Board to have an area designated a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area.

**§ 16-12. Operation of Program.**

(a) *In general.*

On designation of a [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area, the City will take the following steps in the Area.

(b) *Private lighting confirmed.*

Private lighting will be confirmed.

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The City Forester will inspect [trees] GREENERY on private property and make recommendations to the owners for trimming ANY PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

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(F) *SIGNAGE.*

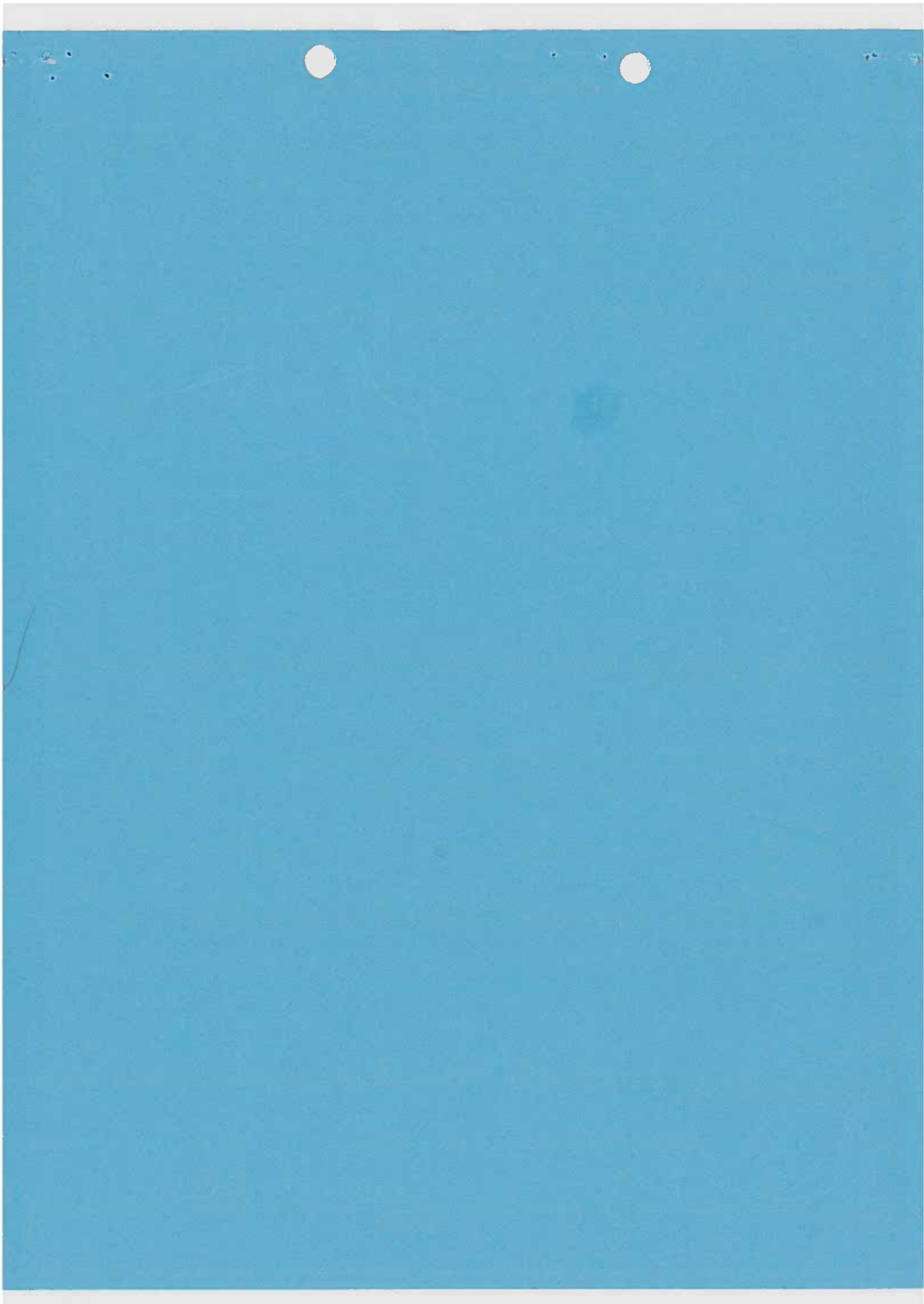
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ACTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL

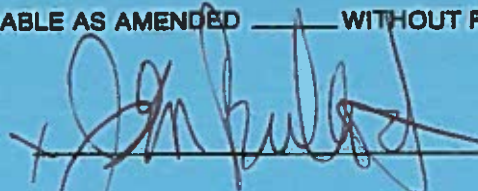
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FIRST READING (INTRODUCTION) \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON 1-23 \_\_\_\_\_ 20 18

COMMITTEE REPORT AS OF 2-5 \_\_\_\_\_ 20 18

FAVORABLE \_\_\_\_\_ UNFAVORABLE \_\_\_\_\_ FAVORABLE AS AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

  
Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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SECOND READING: The Council's action being favorable (unfavorable), this City Council bill was (was not) ordered printed for Third Reading on:

FEB 05 2018  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Amendments were read and adopted (defeated) as indicated on the copy attached to this blue backing.

THIRD READING \_\_\_\_\_ FEB 26 2018

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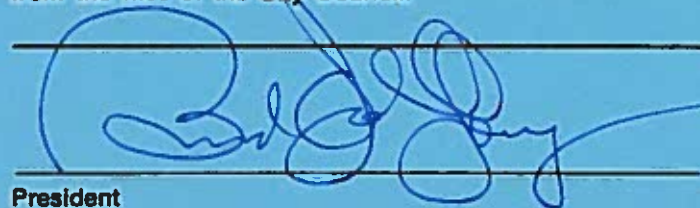
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THIRD READING (RE-ENROLLED) \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

WITHDRAWAL \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

There being no objections to the request for withdrawal, it was so ordered that this City Council Ordinance be withdrawn from the files of the City Council.

  
President

  
Chief Clerk

CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

REGINALD MOORE, Director  
DR. RALPH W. E. JONES, JR. BUILDING  
3001 East Drive - Druid Hill Park  
Baltimore, Maryland 21217  
410-396-7900

January 23, 2018

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, RM 400  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

**RE: CITY COUNCIL BILL #17-0168  
SPECIAL BENEFITS DISTRICS - BMORE SAFE**

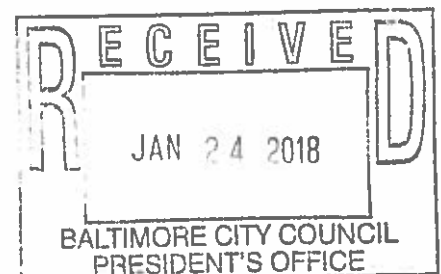
The Department of Recreation & Parks (BCRP) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0168 to redesignate the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program and to create Bmore Safe Places Board to implement that program. It requires the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated areas relevant to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

When enacted, the bill would rename the City's Public Safety Conservation Area program to the NeighborWatch Area Program and create improvements to the program that would support the neighborhoods that work to implement crime free initiatives.


The Department of Recreation & Parks supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0168.

Sincerely,

Reginald Moore  
Director





FROM	NAME & TITLE	Michelle Pourciau, Director	CITY of BALTIMORE	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0168	MEMO	

TO Mayor Catherine E. Pugh

DATE: January 23, 2018

TO: Respective City Council Housing and Urban Affairs Committee  
 FROM: Department of Transportation  
 POSITION: Support  
 RE: Council Bill – 17-0168

**INTRODUCTION** – Special Benefits Districts - Bmore Safe Places - Bmore Safe Places For the purpose of redesignating the City’s Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

**PURPOSE/PLANS** – Signage. The Department Of Transportation will post at least one sign on each blockface of the area, stating that this block is part of a NeighborWatch area.

**BRIEF HISTORY** – N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT AND TIME ESTIMATION** – Per Block Estimated Cost \$1,972.17.

The following breakdown includes two signs per block, with a sign at each approach end.

Item	Timeline	Approximated Cost
Sign Fabrication Materials (2/block)	2 weeks	\$392.68
Sign Fabrication Labor	1 week	\$1,138.60
Sign Installation Labor	2 days	\$440.89
Estimated Total Cost of Labor and Materials		\$1,972.17

Please find that the signage process, including plan review, fabrication, and installation, will need an allotted estimated timeframe of approximately 60 days.

The process demands approvals of signage and verbiage by Baltimore City Police Department, which is approximated to take one week’s time. Upon receipt of design approval by Baltimore City Police Department, two weeks will be allotted for sign fabrication (given the estimated scope of the project). Additionally, DOT Right of Way Division must approve planned locations in the event of any obstruction due to utilities. Right of Way approvals may take up to two weeks; only after approvals may installation begin. Installation per block will take 2 days.

**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION** –

The Department of Transportation supports City Council 17-0168.

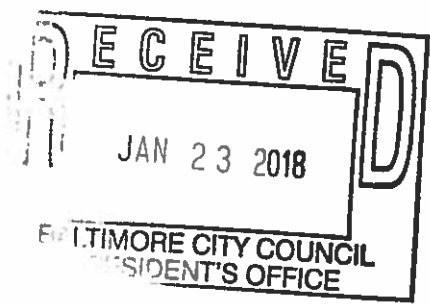
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Katelyn McCauley at Katelyn.McCauley@baltimorecity.gov, 443-677-9391.

Sincerely,



Michelle Pourciau  
 Director

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**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 17-0168  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Clarke, Cohen, Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Burnett,  
Bullock, Schleifer, Middleton, Sneed, Pinkett, Stokes  
Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2017

Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Baltimore  
Development Corporation, Department of Public Works, Department of Housing and  
Community Development, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, Police  
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**Council Bill 17-0168**

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**McCauley, Katelyn**

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**From:** Sinha, Dharendra  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:47 AM  
**To:** McCauley, Katelyn  
**Subject:** Sign fabrication and installation

Hi Katelyn,

The one week charges for the Sign Fabricator will be \$1138.60 and for 2 days for sign installer will be \$440.89. Please let me know if anything else is needed.

Thanks,

**Dhirendra K. Sinha ( DK )**  
Chief of Fiscal – Fiscal Division  
Baltimore City Department of Transportation  
417 E. Fayette Street. Rm # 523  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
410-396-6809  
410-396-6842 ( fax)





## McCauley, Katelyn

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**From:** Ching, Kenith  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:00 AM  
**To:** McCauley, Katelyn  
**Cc:** Taylor, Damonnen  
**Subject:** FW: BMore Safe Space Signage  
**Attachments:** 17-0168-1st Reader (1).pdf

I have read the attached and have no objections. However there should be a cost associated for fabrication and installation. The cost information would be from \$175.34 to \$196.34 per sign.

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**From:** McCauley, Katelyn  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:50 AM  
**To:** Ching, Kenith  
**Subject:** BMore Safe Space Signage

Last page- (f) signage.

Also, any costs you think would be associated with this, ballpark, or cost per sign I will add to the report.

**Katelyn McCauley**  
Legislative Analyst  
Baltimore City Department of Transportation  
417 E. Fayette Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
Mobile: 443-677-9391









Catherine Pugh  
Mayor

## BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Darryl De Sousa  
Police Commissioner  
Designee

January 22, 2018

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
Room 400, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

*Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary*

**Re: City Council Bill No. 17-0168  
Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places**

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

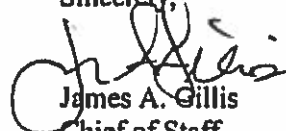
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The BPD supports this bill.

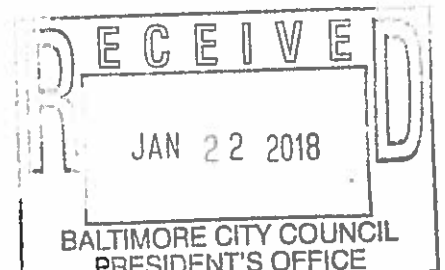
This legislation provides both the government and the community that it serves valuable tools for making our City safer, among other things. Lighting, physical space, cameras, and supplemental security patrols all play a role in public safety, and represent real community engagement.

The BPD looks forward to working with the City Council on this important matter.

Sincerely,

  
James A. Gillis  
Chief of Staff

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c/o 242 West 29<sup>th</sup> Street • Baltimore, Maryland 21211-2900



TJA

<b>FROM</b>	NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #17-0168/ SPECIAL BENEFITS DISTRICTS – BMORE SAFE PLACES

CITY of  
BALTIMORE

**MEMO**



TO

DATE:

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, Room 400  
100 North Holliday Street

January 19, 2018

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #17-0168, which is for the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

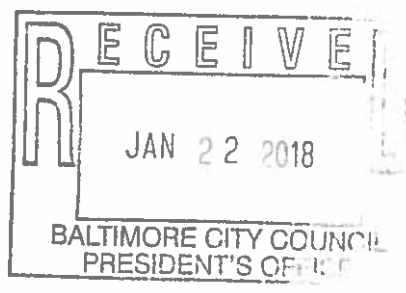
If enacted, this bill will not only rename the City's Public Safety Conservation Area program but also enhance City support for neighborhood efforts to reduce crime and promote public safety. The Department of Planning recommends approval of City Council Bill #17-0168.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Stephanie Smith, Assistant Director, at 410-396-8337.

TJS/SS

- cc: Mr. Pete Hammen, Chief Operating Officer
- Mr. Jim Smith, Chief of Strategic Alliances
- Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office
- Mr. Colin Tarbert, Mayor's Office
- Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office
- The Honorable Edward Reisinger, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
- Mr. William H. Cole IV, BDC
- Mr. David Tanner, BMZA
- Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
- Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD
- Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.
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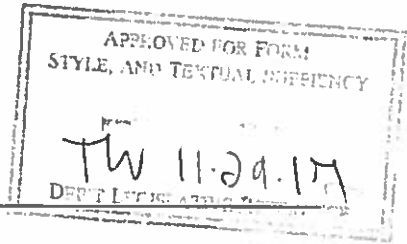
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**INTRODUCTORY\***

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 17-0168**



Introduced by: Councilmember Henry

**A BILL ENTITLED**

AN ORDINANCE concerning

**Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places**

*HVA*  
*Law Planning Dept*  
*BDC*  
*DPW*  
*HCD*  
*DOT*  
*BOE*  
*BPD*  
*Rec & Park*

FOR the purpose of redesignating the City’s Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

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**Baltimore City Code**

**Article 14. Special Benefits Districts**

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**[PUBLIC SAFETY CONSERVATION AREAS] BMORE SAFE PLACES**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
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THE OFFICIAL COPY CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL IS THE FIRST READER COPY.

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“Board” means the [Baltimore Urban Lighting] BMORE SAFE PLACES Board established by this subtitle.

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The Program is available to all qualified areas of the City.

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**Baltimore**  
Development Corporation

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
Attention: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary

**FROM:** William H. Cole, President and CEO *WHC*

**DATE:** January 4, 2018

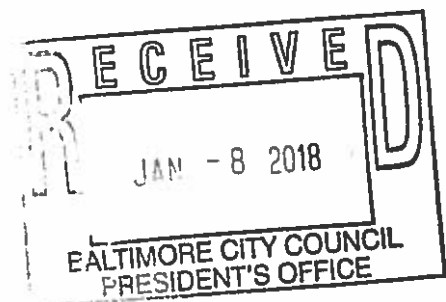
**SUBJECT:** City Council Bill No. 17-0168  
Special Benefits District – Bmore Safe Places

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The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on City Council Bill 17-0168, for the purpose of redesignating the City's Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program. If passed, the bill will support safe neighborhoods that promote vibrant and healthy communities.

The BDC respectfully requests that favorable consideration is given by the City Council for Bill No. 17-0168.

cc: Kyron Banks





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

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
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**From:** Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner *MBB*

**Date:** January 17, 2018

**Re:** City Council Bill 17-0168 - Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places

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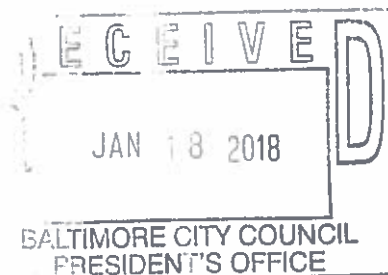
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If enacted, this bill would rename the City's Public Safety Conservation Area program to the NeighborWatch Area Program and create improvements to the program that would support neighborhoods where residents work together to implement initiatives that move towards a crime-free environment.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0168.

MB:sd

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





**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**ORDINANCE**  
**Council Bill 17-0168**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Clarke, Cohen, Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Burnett,  
Bullock, Schleifer, Middleton, Sneed, Pinkett, Stokes  
Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2017  
Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

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Committee Report: Favorable  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: February 5, 2018

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**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING**

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**Council Bill 17-0168**

Certified as duly passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

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Mayor, Baltimore City