

CITY OF BALTIMORE MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Khalil Zaied, Acting Director, Department of Public Works
DATE	June 25, 2024
SUBJECT	City Council Bill 24-0518 South Baltimore Gateway Community Impact District and Management Authority – Renewal Through June 30, 2028.

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

Position: Support

SUMMARY OF POSITION

Enactment of City Council Bill 24-0518 would review, renew, and continue the South Baltimore Gateway Community Impact District Management Authority for an additional four years.

The South Baltimore Gateway Community Impact District and the South Baltimore Gateway Community Impact District Management Authority were established by Ordinance 16-509. This district includes the following neighborhoods: Barre Circle, Carroll Park, Carroll – Camden Industrial Area, Cherry Hill, Federal Hill, Lakeland, Middle Branch/Reedbird, Parks, Mount Winans, Otterbein, Pigtown/Washington Village, Ridgely's Delight, Riverside, Saint Paul, Sharp-Leadenhall, South Baltimore, Spring Garden Industrial Area, Stadium Area, and Westport.

As of August 2020, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the State of Maryland was operating under a State of Emergency. Under the State of Emergency, Governor Hogan issued an Executive Order on March 12, 2020 "Ordering Extending Certain Licenses, Permits, Registrations, and Other Government Authorizations, and Authorizing Suspension of Legal Time Requirements". Under this authority the periodic review of the District and Authority was then considered postponed until after the end of the State of Emergency. The first review, renewal and continuance of the District and the Authority was not completed until Ordinance 22-127 was enacted. To keep the original intent of the enabling legislation, the review, renewal, and continuation of the District and Authority would now be extended through August 29, 2024.

The Department of Public Works supports the passage of City Council Bill 24-0518