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TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Corren Johnson, Director – Department of Transportation
DATE	October 3, 2024
SUBJECT	24-0583 The 2024 Comprehensive Master Plan for the City of Baltimore

Position: Support

Introduction

For the purpose of reviewing, revising, and adopting the 2024 Comprehensive Master Plan for the City of Baltimore; and providing for a special effective date.

DOT Analysis

Council Bill 24-0583 serves to adopt a new comprehensive master plan based on the new information provided by the 2020 Census, as required by Maryland law. The new comprehensive master plan, *Our Baltimore*, has been in the works since 2022 and will replace the City’s last master plan, adopted in 2006. This new plan focuses on urban planning, supporting and retaining residents, and generally improving the quality of life of those who choose to call Baltimore City their home. This plan was crafted with equity in mind, based on extensive community outreach. Once adopted, *Our Baltimore* will become a manual in all fields of planning and urban design, from transportation equity to environmental justice.

Conclusion

The Department supports the legislation and defers to the Department of Planning in regard to next steps and the implementation of Council Bill 24-0583.