



## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Alice Kennedy, Housing Commissioner

Date: September 20, 2022

### **Re: City Council Bill 22-0223 Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 22-0223 for the purpose of renewing and continuing the Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority, subject to certain conditions, for an additional 5 years; generally relating to the activities and authority of the Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, City Council Bill 22-0223 would allow for the continuation of the Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority for an additional 5 years. The last renewal occurred in 2017.

The extension will allow the Authority to continue to provide programs to enhance public safety, cleanliness, streetscape improvements, beautification and marketing activities in the district.

The Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority oversees a 106-block business improvement district in the heart of Baltimore. The district is not within any of DHCD's Impact Investment Areas or Community Development Zones.

DHCD **supports** the passage of City Council Bill 22-0223.

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cc: Ms. Themelis, Nina, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*

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