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	Subject	City Council Bill #15-0472 Urban Renewal – Franklin Square – Amendment		

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The Honorable President and Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary
City Hall, Room 400

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is pleased to report on City Council Bill #15-0472 / Urban Renewal – Franklin Square – Amendment, which proposes to amend Exhibits 1 and 4 of the Urban Renewal Plan. The change is intended to facilitate an adaptive reuse of the former Saint Martin’s church campus on the east side of North Fulton Avenue south of West Fayette Street, which is currently vacant. Specifically, Bon Secours Baltimore Health Corporation hopes to convert the church campus into an ambulatory care center that would provide out-patient health care and dentistry services.

As introduced, City Council Bill #15-0472 / Urban Renewal – Franklin Square – Amendment alters the Franklin Square Urban Renewal Plan to change the land use to Community Business and the recommended zoning to B-2-2 for the property known as 31-35 North Fulton Avenue. The implementation of this zoning is proposed through a companion piece of legislation, City Council Bill #15-0473 / Rezoning – 31-35 North Fulton Avenue.

The Planning Department has proposed an amendment to City Council Bill #15-0472 / Urban Renewal – Franklin Square – Amendment that would make the land use to Office-Residential and the zoning become O-R-2 for the 31-35 North Fulton Avenue site. That Department likewise recommends an amendment to City Council Bill #15-0473 / Rezoning – 31-35 North Fulton Avenue that would make the zoning O-R-2.

DOT has reviewed this legislation and we recommend a favorable report of City Council Bill #15-0472 with the proposed amendments. The anticipated project provides an adaptive reuse of the property and does not present any substantial transportation-related issues.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,

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William M. Johnson
Director

