



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 *MB*

Date: December 19, 2019

Re: **City Council Bill 19-0423 Zoning - Conditional Use Parking Lot - A Portion of 2700
Madison Avenue Known as 3002 East Drive**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0423 for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a parking lot on a portion of the property known as 2700 Madison Avenue, the portion being known as 3002 East Drive, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

If enacted, this ordinance will authorize a conditional use parking lot with 79 parking spaces that will serve the tennis courts, the Druid Hill Aquatic Center and the Jones Falls Trail. The parking lot will serve as a linkage to a variety of park amenities and enhance access to Druid Hill Park. Thriving public parks serve as a catalyst for community development and approval of this ordinance is in the public's best interest.

DHCD **supports** the passage of City Council Bill 19-0423.

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cc: Mr. Blendy, Nicholas, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*