

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Council Bill 21-0118**

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Introduced by: Councilmembers Costello and Stokes  
At the request of: Downtown Partnership of Baltimore  
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Introduced and read first time: August 16, 2021  
Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee  
Committee Report: Favorable  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: October 28, 2021

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**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING**

**Area of Special Sign Control - Designation - North Harbor**

FOR the purpose of approving the application of Downtown Partnership of Baltimore to designate an Area of Special Sign Control known as the North Harbor District; and providing for a special effective date.

BY authority of  
Article - Zoning  
Title 17, Subtitle 5  
Baltimore City Revised Code  
(Edition 2000)

**Recitals**

Downtown Partnership of Baltimore has applied to designate an Area of Special Sign Control known as the “North Harbor District” in the area described as follows:

**North Harbor District**

~~Beginning at the point of the intersection of the of the center lines of Howard Street and Conway; then, west along the center line of West Camden Street to the point of South Paca intersection; then north along the center line of South Paca to the point of Pratt Street intersection, then north along the center line of North Howard Street to the point of East Baltimore Street Intersection, then east along the center line of East Baltimore Street to the point of Commerce Street Intersection, then south along the center line of Commerce Street to the point of Water Street Intersection, then east along the center line of Water Street to the point of S Frederick Street intersection, then north along the center line of S Frederick Street to the E Baltimore Street intersection, then east along the center line of E Baltimore Street to the point of the President Street intersection, then~~

**EXPLANATION:** CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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1 ~~south along the center line of President Street to the point of the Pratt Street intersection,~~  
2 ~~then west along the Pratt Street including all parcels on Pratt Street to the point of the~~  
3 ~~Light street intersection, then south along the center line of Light Street to the point of~~  
4 ~~Conway intersection, then west along the center line to the intersection at Howard Street.~~

5 Beginning at the point of the intersection of the of the center lines of Howard Street  
6 and Conway, then north on Howard Street to the intersection with West Camden Street,  
7 then west along the center line of West Camden Street to the point of South Paca  
8 intersection, then north along the center line of South Paca to the point of West Pratt  
9 Street intersection, then east on West Pratt Street to the intersection with North Howard  
10 Street, then north along the center line of North Howard Street to the point of East  
11 Baltimore Street Intersection, then east along the center line of East Baltimore Street to  
12 the point of Commerce Street Intersection, then south along the center line of  
13 Commerce Street to the point of Water Street Intersection, then east along the center  
14 line of Water Street to the point of S Frederick Street intersection, then north along the  
15 center line of S Frederick Street to the E Baltimore Street intersection, then east along  
16 the center line of E Baltimore Street to the intersection with the southbound side of  
17 President Street, then south along said southbound center line of President Street to the  
18 point of the Pratt Street intersection, then continue south on President Street for 171  
19 feet, then southwest for 25 feet to the southeast corner of 729 East Pratt Street,  
20 extending southwest on southern property line to the southwest corner of said property,  
21 continue on same line for 114 feet to meet the eastern property line of 727 East Pratt  
22 Street, following said property line southerly for 30 feet, then westerly on a line parallel  
23 to East Pratt Street for 1,128 feet to the southeast corner of the property known as Block  
24 0890 Lot 005, following said property line westerly to the southeast corner of 401 East  
25 Pratt Street, then westerly along a straight line to the southwest corner of said property,  
26 then westerly along the southern property line and extended for a total of 596 feet, then  
27 north for 260 feet to meet the centerline of East Pratt Street, then east along East Pratt  
28 Street to the intersection with Light Street, then south along the center line of Light  
29 Street to the point of Conway intersection, then west along the center line to the  
30 intersection at Howard Street.

31 On August 2, 2021, representatives from Downtown Partnership of Baltimore met with the  
32 Department of Planning for a preliminary conference to explain the scope and nature of the  
33 proposed Area of Special Control and to begin the process to designate the North Harbor District  
34 an Area of Special Control.

35 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That, in  
36 accordance with Baltimore City Zoning Code § 17-503(b)(1), the area known as the “North  
37 Harbor District” is an Area of Special Sign Control.

38 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That, in accordance with Baltimore City  
39 Zoning Code § 17-504, the Applicant shall submit a signage plan for the North Harbor District  
40 Area of Special Sign Control demonstrating that, in accordance with Baltimore City Zoning Code  
41 § 17-502(a), all of the properties in the North Harbor District Area of Special Sign Control are  
42 within permissible zones, and that, in accordance with Baltimore City Zoning Code § 17-502(b),  
43 the North Harbor District Area of Special Sign Control has at least 600 linear feet of street  
44 frontage, and that, in accordance with Baltimore City Zoning Code §§ 17-502(b)(2) and 17-  
45 502(b)(3), the included block faces are either located directly across the street from each other or  
46 adjacent to each other along the street and are in permissible zoning districts.

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1       **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on date it is  
2 enacted.

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Certified as duly passed this 18 day of October, 2021



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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this 18 day of October, 2021



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Chief Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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Mayor, Baltimore City