



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 6, 2022
TO: Economic and Community Development Committee
FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO
POSITION: Support
SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 21-0158
Landmark List – Truck House No. 5 (Oliver Community Firehouse)

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INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill No. 21-0158 introduced by Councilmember Robert Stokes, Sr. and Councilmember Phylicia Porter.

PURPOSE

For the purpose of designating the Truck House No. 5 (Oliver Community Firehouse), 1220 E. Oliver St., as an historical landmark: exterior.

BRIEF HISTORY

The former firehouse located at 1220 E. Oliver Street is a vacant, City-owned property. The Department of Housing and Community Development has worked closely with the African American Fire Fighters Historical Society to bring a new museum to this space. Providing landmark designation to the property will potentially aid the development team in redevelopment of the site, by providing landmark protections and tax incentives. The only one of its kind on the East Coast, the museum is expected to draw tourists from all over the nation.

FISCAL IMPACT (to BDC)

None

AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation **supports** City Council Bill No. 21-0158.

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com and 410-837-9305.

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