



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** September 9, 2020  
**TO:** Housing and Urban Affairs Committee  
**FROM:** Colin Tarbert, President and CEO   
**POSITION:** Opposed  
**SUBJECT:** City Council Bill No. 20-0493  
 Urban Renewal – Coldstream Homestead Montebello – Amendment

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 20-0493 introduced by Councilmember Clarke and read for the first time on February 10, 2020.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the Urban Renewal Plan (URP) for Coldstream Homestead Montebello, to provide an enforcement mechanism for violation of the regulation that prohibits the storage of materials outside buildings, except as permitted by the City’s code regulations.

### **BRIEF HISTORY**

The URP for Coldstream Homestead Montebello was originally approved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by Ordinance 77-289 and last amended by Ordinance 18-129.

Article 19 of the Baltimore City Code provides an enforcement mechanism through a system of violation notices, fines, and provisions to request a hearing. Additionally, Council Bill No. 20-0505, enacted on June 15, 2020 amended Section 114.11 of the Building, Fire, and Related Codes of Baltimore City– 2020 edition, to create an additional enforcement mechanism by which the City can remove permits from businesses that have violated the code.

The amendments proposed in City Council Bill No. 20-0493 are no longer necessary due to the enactment of City Council Bill No. 20-0505.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

### **AGENCY POSITION**

BDC opposes City Council Bill #20-0493.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Clark at [KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com](mailto:KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com) and 410-837-9305.

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