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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 21-0057 – Repeal – Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station Urban
Renewal Area and Plan

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 21-0057 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill is for the purpose of repealing Ordinance 09-219, which established the Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station Urban Renewal Area and Plan; and providing for a special effective date.

Section 2-6(g)(1) of Article 13 of the City Code requires that any change to an Urban Renewal Plan be made by ordinance. This bill is the appropriate mechanism for repealing the Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station Urban Renewal Plan (the "Plan"). *See, e.g., Mayor and City Council of Baltimore v. Neighborhood Rentals, Inc.*, 170 Md. App. 671, 683 (2006) (nothing "prohibits, either expressly or impliedly, a future city council from lengthening or shortening the life of [any Urban Renewal] Plan or terminating it altogether.").

The Law Department therefore is prepared to approve the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ashlea H. Brown".

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