



## MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 1, 2019  
TO: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee  
FROM: William H. Cole, President and CEO  
POSITION: Support  
SUBJECT: Council Bill 19-0354 –Underground Conduit System for Cables, Wires and Similar Facilities

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### INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 19-0354, an Ordinance introduced by City Council President Young and Councilmembers Middleton, Schleifer, Scott, Cohen, Burnett, Stokes, Pinkett, Bullock, Henry, Dorsey, Reisinger, Costello and Clarke.

### PURPOSE

For the purpose of clarifying the location and administration of an underground conduit system for cables, wires and similar facilities; requiring the Department of Transportation to administer and maintain the system; and to prepare the plans and specifications for its construction, maintenance and repair; ultimately updating regulations and the administration of the City's Conduit System, as stated in the bill.

### BRIEF HISTORY

Council Bill 19-0354 revises Article 26, Subtitle 23 of the Baltimore City Code following a comprehensive review of the City Conduit System. This review was predicated by a public hearing on the City Conduit System that was required by Council Bill 18-0076R. This bill modernizes Subtitle 23 in order to protect the City's interest in the public conduit system.

### FISCAL IMPACT

None

### AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation **Supports** City Council Bill 19-0354.

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