



## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Alice Kennedy, Acting Housing Commissioner

Date: September 14, 2021

### **Re: City Council Bill 21-0079 Repeal of Ordinance 90-425 – Port Covington Planned Unit Development**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 21-0079 for the purpose of repealing Ordinance 90-425, as amended by Ordinance 00-57, Ordinance 02-431, Ordinance 04-884, and Ordinance 16-572, which designated certain properties as an Industrial Planned Unit Development known as Port Covington; and providing for a special effective date.

At its regular meeting of June 24, 2021, the Planning Commission concurred with the recommendation of its departmental staff, and recommended that City Council Bill 21-0079 be passed by the City Council.

If enacted, this bill will repeal the existing Planned Unit Development to enable the development of the underutilized industrial area in South Baltimore. The repeal of the Planned Unit Development is necessary in order to realize the vision for the peninsula laid out in the 2016 Port Covington Master Plan and set the stage for the development of a new mixed-use neighborhood with office, residential, and entertainment uses, along with additional green space and expanded waterfront access.

DHCD **does not object** to the passage of City Council Bill 21-0079.

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cc: Ms. Nina Themelis, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*