

# **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** September 25, 2024

**TO:** Ways and Means Committee **FROM:** Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

**POSITION:** Favorable

**SUBJECT:** Council Bill 24-0581

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 24-0581 introduced by Councilmember Stokes.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this bill is to change the current zoning at the property known as 200 North Central Avenue (Block 1320, Lot 001) from EC-2 (education) to C-2 (Commercial).

## **BRIEF HISTORY**

Located in the Pleasant View Gardens neighborhood, the property at 200 North Central Ave was formally a school, which has been vacant since closing in 2015. Current zoning EC-2 is designed for educational facilities and not permissive to redevelopment. Rezoning this property from current restrictions will allow commercial development in East Baltimore to serve the community with more opportunities in the future.

### FISCAL IMPACT [to BDC]

None.

### **AGENCY POSITION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully submits a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 24-0581. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or <a href="mailto:KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com">KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com</a>.

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