



## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
c/o Shamoyia Gardiner Legislative Director, Council President's Office

From: J Hardy, Special Assistant/ Constituent Liaison

Date: May 23, 2025

Re: 25-0070 Sales Ordinance - 242 S. Patterson Park Avenue

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### **Position: Support with Amendment**

The Department of Real Estate submits this report in support of City Council Bill 25-0070, authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, all interest in the property located at 242 South Patterson Park Avenue (Block 1758, Lot 020), containing approximately 10,695 square feet of land and improved by a 2-story building containing approximately 17,102 square feet, along with a playground area. This property is no longer needed for public use.

St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore Inc. (SVDP) has operated a Head Start program at this property since 2002. SVDP intends to continue carrying out its mission of providing community service through programs including Head Start, Preschool, Summer Camp, and other mission-related services. The proposed sale aligns with the Lease Agreement that gave SVDP the option to purchase, which was authorized by the Board of Estimates on August 28, 2019. SVDP is now exercising that option.

The Office of the Comptroller submitted an amendment to this bill to correct the property address. The original bill listed the address as 242 South Patterson Park Avenue; however, the correct address is 238 South Patterson Park Avenue. The amendment strikes all instances of "242" in the bill and substitutes "238" to ensure accurate property identification.

Following the approval of the ordinance by the Council, the Department of Real Estate will work with SVDP to negotiate a Land Disposition Agreement or Option Agreement that will specify the terms of the sale and the purchase price, pending Board of Estimates approval.

The Department of Real Estate is in support of this action because it ensures a reliable nonprofit partner's productive use of City-owned property and helps the City's goals of supporting consistent, community-based services.

For the reasons stated above, the Department of Real Estate supports the passage of 25-0070 with amendment.

CC:

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**AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL BILL 25-0070  
(1<sup>st</sup> Reader Copy)**

By: Office of the Comptroller  
{To be offered to the Land Use and Transportation Committee}

**Amendment No. 1**

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**242**” and substitute “**238**”; and, on that same page, in lines 4 and 15, in each instance, strike “242” and substitute “**238**”.