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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 19-0444		

TO: Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young
TO: Transportation Committee
FROM: Department of Transportation
POSITION: Support
RE: Council Bill – 19-0444

DATE: 9/10/19

INTRODUCTION – Complete Streets - Extended Deadlines; Modified Effective Date

PURPOSE/PLANS – For the purpose of extending various deadlines for the development and adoption of a Community Engagement Plan and a Complete Streets Manual; clarifying certain standards for the Community Engagement Plan; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related language; providing for a modified special effective date for City Code Article 26, Subtitle 40 {"Complete Streets"}, as enacted by Ordinance 18-0197; and providing for a special effective date for this Ordinance.

COMMENTS – Council Bill 19-0444 looks to extend deadlines established under Ordinance 18-0197 – Complete Streets. The proposed extended deadlines are expected to help the Department of Transportation implement Complete Streets legislation in a number of ways, particularly in terms of improved public engagement and the completion of a thoughtfully stylized Baltimore City specific Complete Streets manual.

In particular, this year's ransomware attack on Baltimore City municipal government negatively impacted the Department of Transportation's ability to implement the Complete Streets Ordinance by established deadlines. Providing the Department of Transportation additional time to work on the delivery of Ordinance 18-0197 helps to ensure that the implementation of Complete Streets policy in Baltimore is done so in a thoughtful and holistic manner.

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION – The Department of Transportation **supports** City Council Bill 19-0444.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis via email at Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov or by phone (410) 545-3207.

Sincerely,



Steve Sharkey
Director