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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 19-0342	MEMO	

DATE: 3/28/19

TO: Mayor Catherine E. Pugh

TO: Land Use and Transportation Committee

FROM: Department of Transportation

POSITION: Supports RE: Council Bill – 19-0342

<u>INTRODUCTION</u> – AN ORDINANCE concerning Franchise – Central Light Rail.

<u>PURPOSE/PLANS</u> – FOR the purpose of granting a franchise to the Maryland Transit Administration ("MTA"), 4 formerly known as the Mass Transit Administration, of the Department of Transportation of 5 the State of Maryland, to use and maintain the existing Central Light Rail System, located 6 within the boundaries of the City of Baltimore, in accordance with a plat prepared by the 7 Mass Transit Administration of the Department of Transportation of the State of Maryland, 8 dated May 9, 1990, and filed in the office of the Department of Transportation of Baltimore 9 City, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special 10 effective date.

<u>COMMENTS</u> – City Council Bill 19-0342 extends the franchise agreement under which the MTA is allowed by the City the Baltimore to locate rail transit facilities on, below and above city streets.

The Department of Transportation supports the existence of these important transit services which are so vital to the movement of the residents and visitors into, out of and within the City of Baltimore.

<u>AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION</u> – The Department of Transportation supports City Council Bill 19-0342.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Eboni Wimbush, Chief of Staff at 410-396-6802 or via email Eboni.Wimbush@baltimorecity.gov.

Sincerely,

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