

# **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 15, 2024

**TO:** Economic and Community Development Committee

**FROM:** Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

**POSITION:** Favorable

**SUBJECT:** Council Bill 24-0517

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 24-0517 introduced by Councilmember Porter.

#### **PURPOSE**

To rezone properties at 1500, 1502, and 1508 Desoto Road from the R-6 Zoning District to C-2 Zoning District.

### **BRIEF HISTORY**

The owner of the existing commercial building at 1508 Desoto Rd has purchased two vacant properties to be converted to parking for the future business operator. However, in order to establish parking on the properties, they must be re-zoned away from R-6. The rezoning of these properties will increase opportunities for commercial use and community gathering space in the area and repurpose three vacant commercial and residential sites. There is no community opposition to the project.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

### **AGENCY POSITION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully submits a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 24-0517. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com.

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