

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable President and Members of the City Council

FROM: Janet Abrahams, Chief Executive Officer

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DATE: January 5, 2026

SUBJECT: City Council Bill 25-0120 (Supplementary Mayoralty Capital Project Fund Capital Appropriation – Baltimore City Information Technology - \$13,650,000)

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC) has received a referral for comment on City Council Bill 25-0120. This is a bill that seeks to provide Supplementary Mayoralty Capital Project Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$13,650,000 to the Baltimore City Office of Information & Technology (BCIT) for broadband for eight public housing sites throughout the City of Baltimore (City).

HABC supports the proposed supplementary appropriation to construct the infrastructure needed for future broadband services to public housing residents at our public housing sites. This investment will establish the foundational infrastructure necessary to deliver broadband connectivity to residents in public housing. The planned implementation, in collaboration with BCIT, will occur over a ten-year period and is critical to advancing digital equity and improving access to essential online resources for our residents at our public housing site.

HABC and BCIT have been working in partnership to begin the process of implementing this much-needed infrastructure work for our public housing residents. BCIT will engage the contractors to perform the work, pay them and then be reimbursed by HABC on a quarterly basis pursuant to the executed Memorandum of Understanding dated July 10, 2024, approved by the Board of Estimates.

HABC recommends approval of City Council Bill 25-0120 (Supplemental Mayoralty Capital Project Fund Capital Appropriation – Baltimore City Information Technology - \$13,650,000).