



CITY OF BALTIMORE  
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

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| <b>TO</b>      | The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council   |
| <b>FROM</b>    | Veronica P. McBeth, Director, Department of Transportation (BCDOT)  |
| <b>CC</b>      | Mayor's Office of Government Relations                              |
| <b>DATE</b>    | August 25, 2025                                                     |
| <b>SUBJECT</b> | 25-0086 • City Streets – Closing – A Portion of North Chapel Street |

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**Position: Favorable**

**BILL SYNOPSIS**

The Johns Hopkins School of Public Health has requested the closure of the block of N Chapel St between McElderry St south to Jefferson St. Johns Hopkins has undertaken extensive development in the surrounding area in recent years, and the portion of N Chapel St in question is abutted by two other Hopkins properties which will be consolidated because of this closure. This ordinance would close the portion of N Chapel St between McElderry St and Jefferson St at the request of the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. The closed alley will be consolidated into existing Johns Hopkins properties in Block 1649. The City will retain an easement for utilities which are not abandoned or relocated within the footprint of the closure. Johns Hopkins will pay for all costs and expenses in connection with this matter.

**SUMMARY OF POSITION**

The Department has determined that the requested closure will have little to no impact on traffic operations. Therefore, BCDOT respectfully requests a favorable report on Council Bill 25-0086.