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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #18-0293/ BALTIMORE TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – ESTABLISHMENT		

TO

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

DATE: October 23, 2018

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #18-0293, which is for the purpose of establishing the Baltimore Tourism Improvement District; specifying the boundaries of the District; designating an Association and providing for its rights, duties, and powers; designating the District Management Committee and providing for its rights, duties, and powers; mandating the financial responsibilities of the Association and the City in conjunction with the operation of the District; providing for the assessment, collection, and enforcement of a supplemental assessment to be collected by the City for the Association; specifying the City's role in maintaining existing tourism funding to the Association; designating the Board of Estimates as the agency charged with reviewing and approving various matters relating to the District, the Association, and the District Management Committee; providing for the renewal, expiration, termination, and approval of the District and the Association; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the existence, operation, and control of the Baltimore tourism Improvement District.

The Department of Planning has no objection to City Council Bill #18-0293, and defers to Visit Baltimore and the Baltimore Development Corporation as the more directly impacted agencies.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Tiso, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-8358.

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