

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

FROM:

William H. Cole, President and CEO

DATE:

October 2, 2015

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill No. 15-0570

Urban Renewal – Highlandtown Business Area – Amendment

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on City Council Bill No. 15-0570, an ordinance for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for the Highlandtown Business Area.

If approved, the changes to the Urban Renewal Plan will streamline the community's review process for new development, and it will allow developers and merchants to create a denser, and diverse commercial district for the citizens and visitors of Southeast Baltimore City.

BDC has reviewed the ordinance and supports the proposed ordinance and is respectfully requesting that Bill No. 15-0570 be given favorable consideration by the City Council.

cc:

Colin Tarbert Angela Gibson

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