

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner

Date: May 1, 2019

Re: City Council Bill 19-0348, Zoning – Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family Dwelling

Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-7 Zoning District – Variances – 343 Robert Street

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0348, for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to two dwelling units in the R-7 Zoning District on the property known as 343 Robert Street; and granting variances from certain bulk and off-street parking regulations.

If enacted, this bill will allow the property to be converted from a single-family dwelling to two, one-bedroom units. One unit will be occupied by the owner, while the other will be used a rental. The Planning Department Staff found that the proposed conversion will have no adverse effects on the surrounding community and provided a favorable recommendation for the bill. On April 19th, the Planning Commission voted to concur with the Planning Staff's recommendation.

DHCD has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0348 and supports the passage of the bill.

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cc: Mr. Jeffrey Amoros, Mayor's Office of Government Relations