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The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 11-0745 – Urban Renewal – East Baltimore Midway -  
Amendment

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0745 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would amend the Urban Renewal Plan for East Baltimore Midway (hereinafter the “Plan”) to revise Exhibits 1 and 4 to reflect changes in zoning, upon approval of a separate ordinance (embodied in Council Bill 11-0717), to reflect a change in zoning for 2315-2317 Cecil Avenue. The bill also waives certain procedural requirements, makes its provisions severable, and provides for its application in relationship to certain other ordinances. The bill provides an immediate effective date.

Section 2-6(g)(1) of Article 13 of the City Code requires that any change to an Urban Renewal Plan be made by ordinance. As this is the appropriate mechanism for making changes to the Plan and there are no legal impediments to those changes, the Law Department approves City Council Bill 11-0745 form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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