



HEARING NOTES

Bill: 21-0090

City Streets - Closing - Etting Street and four 10 Foot Alleys bounded by Druid Hill Avenue, Gold Street, Division Street and Baker Street

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired By: Councilmember Mark Conway

Hearing Date: October 5, 2021

Time (Beginning): 2:21 PM

Time (Ending): 2:42 PM

Location: Virtual WEBEX

Total Attendance: ~29

Committee Members in Attendance:

John Bullock Ryan Dorsey Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

Bill Synopsis in the file? Attendance sheet in the file? Agency reports read? Video or audio-digitally recorded? Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? Evidence of notification to property owners? Final vote taken at this hearing? Motioned by: Councilmember Ramos
Seconded by: Councilmember Glover
Final Vote: Favorable / Amendment

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Victor Tervalá, Law Department
Eric Tiso, Department of Planning

- Stephanie Murdock, Department of Housing and Community Development
- Liam Davis, Department of Transportation
- David Framm, Department of Transportation
- Raven Thompson, Baltimore Development Corporation
- Nina Themelis, Mayor’s Office of Government Relations

Major Issues Discussed

1. Councilmember Conway read the bill into the record.
2. Eric Tiso commented about the purpose of the bill, which is mainly to assemble the properties for creation of the Cab Calloway Legends Park, which is being funded with a grant.
3. Liam Davis commented about the purpose of the bill and shared and explained amendments with committee members. The City’s right-of-way division was previously managed by the Department of Public Works, but is now being managed by the Department of Transportation. The technical amendment would correct language in the bill that makes improper reference to the Department of Public Works.
4. Victor Tervalva provided the Law Department’s report and also explained the recommended amendments for the bill.
5. Agency representatives provided reports for their respective agencies.
6. A question was raised about whether buildings remained on the site. Most of the buildings are gone from the site. The bill would allow for the alleyways, between two groups of properties, to be closed so that the properties can be properly assembled for the new park.
7. The committee opened the hearing for public testimony.
8. The committee approved amendments proposed by the Department of Transportation.
9. The committee approved a motion to recommend the bill favorably with an amendment.
9. The hearing was adjourned.

Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

Sharon Green Middleton, Chair:..... Absent
 John Bullock: Yea
 Mark Conway: Yea
 Ryan Dorsey: Yea
 Antonio Glover: Yea

Odette Ramos: Yea
Robert Stokes:..... Yea

Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

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