

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 7th, 2024

TO: Ways & Means Committee

FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO/

POSITION: Favorable

SUBJECT: Council Bill 24-0571 - Zoning — Conditional Use Conversion of a Single-Family

Dwelling Unit to 2 Dwelling Units in the R-8 Zoning District – Variances 730 East

Preston Street

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 24-0571 introduced by Councilmember Stokes.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this bill is to allow for the conversion of a single-family home into a 2-unit home at the property known as 730 East Preston Street (Block 1142B, Lot 028).

BRIEF HISTORY

The property located at 730 East Preston Street is a single-family home located in the Johnston Square neighborhood and is currently vacant. The owner proposes to convert it to a 2-unit rental property which requires a variance in the R-8 Zoning District. This project will reduce blight, add housing stock, and is consistent with other development efforts in the area.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully submits a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 24-0571. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com.

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