

## BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Brandon M. Scott Mayor Richard J. Worley Police Commissioner

October 15, 2024

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Room 400, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: City Council Bill #24-0583

2024 Comprehensive Master Plan

Dear Council President Mosby and Members of the City Council:

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed Council Bill 24-0583 Comprehensive Master Plan, for the purpose of reviewing, revising, and adopting the plan put forth by the Baltimore City Planning Department.

Council Bill 24-0583 details several goals including achieving healthy communities by improving environmental issues in neighborhoods. This goal requires city agencies to assess, understand, and educate communities on the principles of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED).

BPD is well versed in the concept of CPTED and regularly instructs officers on the impact of environmental factors on overall crime prevention. In 2024, BPD sent several officers to CPTED training in Tampa, Florida.

The Baltimore Police Department has no objection Council Bill #24-0583. We look forward to discussing our future role in the City's Master Plan and collaborating with partner agencies. Thank you for allowing us to comment on this piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

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cc: Natwana Austin, Executive Secretary of the Baltimore City Council
Nina Themelis, Director of the Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Andrew Smullian, BPD Deputy Chief of Staff