

CITY OF BALTIMORE MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Alice Kennedy, Commissioner, Housing and Community Development
CC	Mayor's Office of Government Relations
DATE	June 20th, 2025
SUBJECT	25-0057 Sale of Property – 5401 Mason Lord Drive

Position: Favorable

BILL SYNOPSIS



The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 25-0057 Sale of Property – 5401 Mason Lord Drive FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property that is located at 5401 Mason Lord Drive (Block 6332, Lot 002) and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, City Council Bill 25-0057 would authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in 5401 Mason Lord Drive. If approved, this Bill will take effect on the date of its enactment.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

The property known as 5401 Mason Lord Drive is located on the campus of Johns Hopkins Bayview Hospital and is currently occupied by a stormwater management facility and retention pond. In 1988 the property was conveyed to the City so that the facility and pond could be developed using federal funds. Part of that agreement stipulated that the City would eventually reconvey the property back to FSK, who owns the rest of Bayview Hospital. The federal Economic Development Authority approved that reconveyance in December of 2024.

This sales ordinance is at the request of The Administration (Baltimore Development Corporation) and required for the disposition of the property. The property is not located within any of DHCD's Impact Investment Areas, Community Development Zones or Streamlined Code Enforcement Areas. DHCD supports the disposition of the property as the site is no longer needed for public use.

FISCAL IMPACT

As drafted, this Bill would have minimal fiscal impact on DHCD.

AMENDMENTS

DHCD does not seek any amendments to this Bill at this time.