

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM: Brenda McKenzie, President and CEO *BMC*

DATE: April 3, 2014

SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 14-0327  
City Streets – Opening – Certain Streets and Alleys Bounded by Guilford Avenue, East 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Barclay Street, and East 20<sup>th</sup> Street

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The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on City Council Bill No. 14-0327. BDC understand that the purpose of the Bill is to condemn and open certain streets and alleys bounded by Guilford Avenue, East 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Barclay Street, and East 20<sup>th</sup> Street.

In 2005, the Housing Authority of Baltimore sought a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to redevelop several City-owned properties in the Barclay and Old Goucher neighborhoods. The intent of the RFQ was to develop mixed-income housing options including affordable, market-rate, homeownership, rental and public housing units, as well as provide several additional amenities to serve the community. The firm Telesis Corporation was selected to implement the planned improvements which have been occurring in phases.

Bill No. 14-0327 would assist with the next phase of housing development as well green space development. The BDC supports the passage of City Council Bill No. 14-0327.

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