

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 23-0331
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)
Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2023
Assigned to: Ways and Means Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Board of Estimates

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation –**
3 **Department of Housing and Community Development – \$11,000,000**

4 FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation in the
5 amount of \$11,000,000.00 to the Department of Housing and Community Development –
6 PRJ002439 (Vacants Initiative), to provide funding for the vacants initiative; and providing
7 for a special effective date.

8 BY authority of
9 Article VI - Board of Estimates
10 Section 8(b)(2)(iii) and (c)
11 Baltimore City Charter
12 (1996 Edition)

13 **Recitals**

14 The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents transfer tax funds in excess of the
15 revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the
16 budget for Fiscal Year 2023.

17 This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of
18 Estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 was formulated.

19 This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the
20 Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 was formulated or is for a new program that could
21 not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

22 On December 21, 2022, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City
23 Council.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That
2 \$11,000,000.00 shall be made available to Department of Housing and Community Development
3 – PRJ002439 (Vacants Initiative) as a Supplementary General Fund Capital Appropriation for
4 Fiscal Year 2023, to provide funding for the vacants initiative. The source of revenue for this
5 appropriation are transfer tax funds in excess of the amount from this source that was relied on
6 by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal
7 Year 2023.

8 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is
9 enacted.