

MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o

Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE Mayor

HOUSING

FROM:

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Housing Commissioner

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DATE:

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SUBJECT:

City Council Bill 11-0269R Informational Hearing - The Status of

Affordable Housing in Baltimore City

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0269R. This Bill invites the Housing Commissioner to appear before the City Council and provide a briefing on the availability of affordable housing; the backlog of unfilled requests for affordable housing; the number of persons on waiting lists for Section 8 or public housing; and the impact of the possible decrease in CDBG funds on the Baltimore City affordable and public housing markets.

Despite reduced funding from the federal government and a declining housing market DHCD and the Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC) remain committed to the creation, financing and provision of affordable housing.

The Housing Commissioner and staff looks forward to reporting on the above referenced Bill during the scheduled hearing.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor





Comments