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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 19-0450		

TO: Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young
TO: Land Use Committee
FROM: Department of Transportation
POSITION: No Objection
RE: Council Bill – 19-0450

DATE: 1/9/20

INTRODUCTION – Zoning - Signs - Conversion of Existing Non-Digital Billboards

PURPOSE/PLANS – For the purpose of amending the provisions concerning the conversion of non-digital billboards.


COMMENTS – Council Bill 19-0450 focuses on amending Article 32, Title 17 of the Baltimore City Zoning Code that is dedicated towards the conversion of existing non-digital commercial billboards to more modern, digital commercial billboards. The amendments remove a provision that currently requires billboard owners to remove at least 3 existing billboard faces per each digital billboard conversion. Further amendments strike existing language that currently prevents billboards on buildings and mounts of 35 feet tall or less from being converted to digital boards. In short, this bill will make it easier to convert traditional static billboards to digital billboards.

The Department of Transportation does not foresee any significant fiscal or operational impacts associated with the passage of Council Bill 19-0450.

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION – The Department of Transportation has **no objection** towards City Council Bill 19-0450.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis via email at Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov or by phone (410) 545-3207.

Sincerely,



Steve Sharkey
Director