

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 2, 2024

TO: Economic and Community Development Committee

FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

POSITION: Favorable

SUBJECT: Council Bill 24-0504

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 24-0504 introduced by Councilmember Middleton.

PURPOSE

Council Bill 24-0504 is intended to grant the necessary variances in an Open Space District to allow for development at the property known as 4910 Park Heights Avenue.

BRIEF HISTORY

The Enoch Pratt Free Library and the Department of Recreation and Parks are collaborating on a development plan to include a new library and expansion of the parkland at this site. Currently, the Open Space Zoning designation does not allow for parking, which is a critical need for the library. Additionally, the future parking spaces will also be shared with C.C. Jackson Park. The Conditional Use variance is necessary to help complete this aspect of the development for the Greater Park Heights Community.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully submits a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 24-0504. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com.

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