

## CITY OF BALTIMORE MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

ТО	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Chris Ryer, Director, Department of Planning Ohris Ruer
DATE	October 16, 2024
SUBJECT	City Council Bill #24-0601 - Property Taxes - Special Rate for Vacant and Abandoned Property (Memo)

**Position: No Objection** 

## **SUMMARY OF POSITION**

We understand the purpose of this bill is to increase the tax rate for vacant properties, so that property owners will be incentivized to develop or redevelop those properties quickly. We do not anticipate any significant impacts to the development review process. For that reason, The Department of Planning has no objection to this bill.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Tiso, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at eric.tiso@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-396-8358.