

MEMORANDUM

DATE:May 25, 2025TO:Land Use & Transportation CommitteeFROM:Colin Tarbert, President and CEOPOSITION:FavorableSUBJECT:Council Bill 25-0054

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INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 25-0054 introduced by Councilmember Porter.

PURPOSE

The proposed legislation changes the sightline requirements in the W-2 Overlay District which includes waterfront portions of Baltimore Peninsula, the Stadium/Entertainment Area, and the southwest Baltimore City neighborhood of Westport. The bill proposes changes to "Table12-903(4). Middle Branch Waterfront Area, to include the updated view corridors.

BRIEF HISTORY

The Westport Master Plan, adopted in 2021, seeks to redevelop a section of the Westport neighborhood, bounded by the waterfront on the east, by Kloman Street to the west and north, by railroad tracks to the west, and by Waterview Avenue to the south. This bill seeks to update the view corridor requirements of the various parcels that comprise the redevelopment site as originally outlined in the master plan. The proposed updates protect the sightlines and bring them into alignment with the changes to the overall development plan that was recently revised.

FISCAL IMPACT [to BDC]

None.

AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully submits a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 25-0054. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or <u>KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com</u>.

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