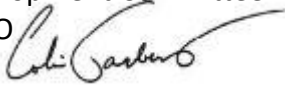




## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 25, 2023  
**TO:** Economic and Community Development Committee  
**FROM:** Colin Tarbert, President and CEO  
**POSITION:** Favorable  
**SUBJECT:** Council Bill 23-0348 – Rezoning 4420 Loch Raven Boulevard



### INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 23-0348 introduced by Councilmember Dorsey.

### PURPOSE

For purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 4420 Loch Raven Boulevard (Block 3971A, Lot 058) from the R-4 Zoning District to the C-2 Zoning District.

### BRIEF HISTORY

Currently 4420 Loch Raven Boulevard serves as Enoch Pratt Free Library – Northwood Branch location. The property suffers from multiple critical infrastructure issues that has resulted in frequent closures in recent years and the library is studying whether to invest in the existing building, construct a new building on-site, or consider a new location that serves this neighborhood.

A rezoning of the property would allow for the continuation of the library for as long as the library remains in operation at that location. It would also allow for a broader range of potential future uses in the event the library decides to relocate the branch to a new building, or undertake a substantial renovation of the building on its own or as part of a public-private partnership that may rely on the C-2 zoning.

### FISCAL IMPACT [to BDC]

None.

### AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully requests a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 23-0348. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or [KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com](mailto:KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com).

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