TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO:

Council President Brandon M. Scott

FROM:

Peter Little, Executive Director

DATE:

July 16, 2019

RE:

Council Bill 19-0397



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 19-0397 introduced by President Scott and Councilmember Bullock at the request of University of Maryland Baltimore, UMB Health Sciences Research Park Corporation, and BioPark Fremont LLC.

The purpose of this bill is for repealing Ordinance 03-613, as amended by Ordinance 11-477, which designated certain properties as a Business Planned Unit Development known as University of Maryland BioPark; and providing for a special effective date.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) reviewed the proposed legislation. The legislation does not explicitly address parking. Therefore, parking requirements will be based on the underlying zoning district and prescribed by the Zoning Code. The City's new Zoning Code, Transform Baltimore, designates these properties as part of the BSC Bio-Science Campus District. This zoning district is intended to accommodate bio-science campuses, including supportive uses, and some residential uses. As building plans and uses become more defined, the PABC will be involved through the Site Plan Review Committee to ensure that parking and loading demands are adequately addressed, and that negative effects of parking and loading are mitigated, as a result of any new development.

Based on the comments above, the PABC does not oppose the passage of City Council Bill 19-0397.