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	SUBJECT	City Council Resolution 19-0165R		

TO: Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young  
TO: Health Committee  
FROM: Department of Transportation  
POSITION: Support  
RE: Council Bill – 19-0165R

DATE: 1/17/20

**INTRODUCTION** – B-more Clean: Coordinated Agency Community Clean-up and Maintenance Strategy

**PURPOSE/PLANS** – For the purpose of requesting that the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Director of the Department of Transportation, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Commissioner of the Health Department, and the Director of the Mayor’s Office of Performance and Innovation present to the City Council a plan for coordinated community clean-up and maintenance throughout Baltimore and a plan for increased community involvement.

**COMMENTS** – Council Bill 19-0165R calls for a coordinated strategy to maintain and clean the City of Baltimore. As the agency that has the responsibility of maintaining virtually all of Baltimore City right-of-way, the Department of Transportation (DOT) is supportive of any measure that would lead to cleaner corridors.

Baltimore City DOT regularly coordinates with the Department of Public Works (DPW) to keep our roadways clean and clear of debris that is not only unsightly, but also a potential safety hazard. DOT and DPW work together to keep our major thoroughfares such as the Jones Falls Expressway and the Baltimore / Washington Parkway clean and clear of debris. Typically, Baltimore City DOT will take the lead on coordinating maintenance of traffic plans that allow for DPW to safely clean heavily traveled corridors.

DPW’s traditional corner trash cans and newer trash compacting receptacles are often located on DOT right-of-way, serving as another example of how the two agencies partner to keep Baltimore City clean. DOT has also partnered with DPW with their street sweeping efforts. DOT’s Traffic and Maintenance Divisions help with the installation of parking restriction signs which are then enforced by DOT’s Safety Division. Parking restrictions allow for roadways clear of cars that help to make street sweeping efforts more effective.

Baltimore City DOT is open to discussing new and innovative ways that we can partner with fellow city agencies to help make Baltimore a cleaner city.

**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION** – The Department of Transportation supports City Council Resolution 19-0165R.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis via email at [Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov) or by phone (410) 545-3207.

Sincerely,



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