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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #22-0300/ WATERFRONT MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND WATERFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY - RENEWAL THROUGH APRIL 23, 2027		

TO

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

DATE: December 12, 2022

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #22-0300, which is for the purpose of renewing and continuing the Waterfront Management District and Waterfront Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Waterfront Management District and Waterfront Management Authority.

The Department of Planning recommends **approval** of City Council Bill #22-0300. The Waterfront Partnership is dedicated to improved maintenance, beautification, and visitor services for its community's signature asset, bringing a new spirit of vitality to the entire Waterfront. Waterfront Partnership provides hospitality and safety services, cleans the Waterfront promenade daily, and performs all landscaping services in the area including planting seasonal colorful flowers, manicuring gardens, and keeping the area lush and green. The Partnership also promotes the Waterfront as a destination for local and regional visitors, and programs special events at West Shore Park for locals and visitors. The Waterfront Partnership has assumed many roles through the years, such as managing the process to redevelop Rash Field along the Inner Harbor. It stewards environmentally friendly practices and design with the Inner Harbor and lends visible presence in and around the Inner Harbor for visitors and residents. The Department of Planning sees the Waterfront Partnership as a key element in the continued success of our Inner Harbor area and its extension into the Fells Point community.

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

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