




BALTIMORE CITY
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner 

Date: July 7, 2020

Re: City Council Bill 20-0510 Trauma-Informed Care Task Force Composition - Revisions and Clarifications

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 20-0510 for the purpose of adding 2 educators with experience within the Baltimore City Public School System to the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force; clarifying that one Councilmember appointed to the Task Force have substantial experience as an educator with the Baltimore City Public School System; clarifying that one Councilmember appointed to the Task Force have substantial experience as a parent with the Baltimore City Public School System; clarifying that the appointed Councilmember with substantial experience as an educator shall be co-chair of the Task Force; conforming and correcting related provisions; and providing for a special effective date.

The Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, or the Commissioner's designee, is presently one of the 7 ex-officio members of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force. DHCD has no objection to amending the composition and experience required of the task force to better advise the planning and implementing of trauma-informed practices throughout the City.

DHCD **has no objection** to the passage of City Council Bill 20-0510.

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cc: Mr. Blendy, Nicholas, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*