



CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

FROM Tim Keane, Director, Department of Planning

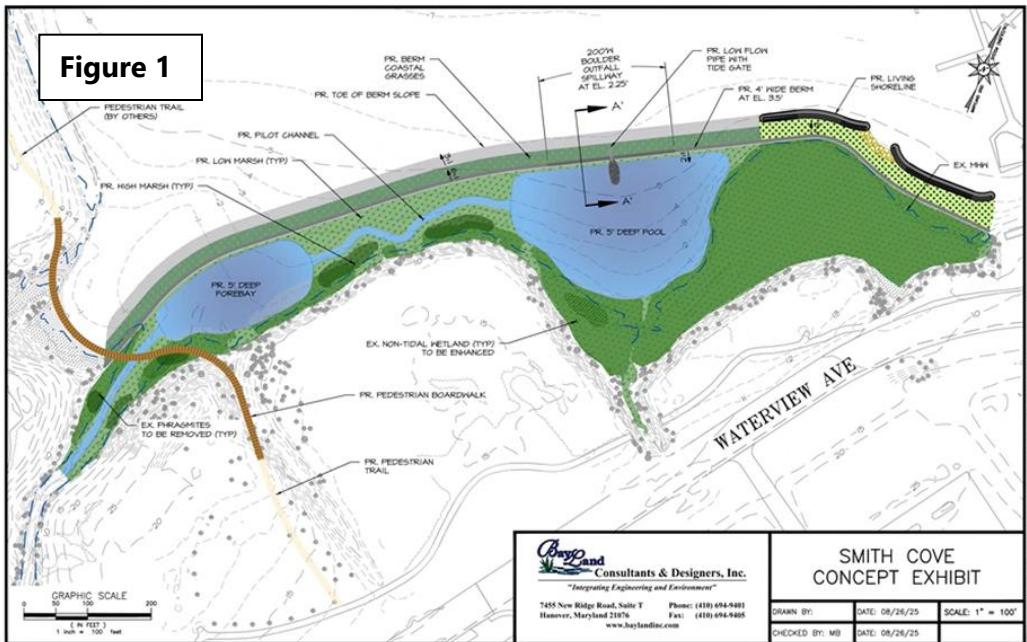
DATE November 24, 2025

SUBJECT City Council Bill #25-0125

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Position: Favorable

Summary of position: The Department of Planning supports a favorable position on CCB #25-0125 which will provide \$17,000,000 in Supplementary Department of Planning Project Capital Project Fund Capital Appropriations to the Department of Planning. This funding will support the design and construction of the Smith Cove Project in collaboration with the South Baltimore Gateway Partnership (PRJ003617). The Smith Cove Project is an integrated coastal resilience, habitat re-establishment, stormwater management, and water quality improvement project located in and adjacent to Middle Branch Park, the future site of Westport Waterfront Park, and Waterview Ave (See *Figure 1* below).



Fiscal Impact: The fiscal impact of this supplemental appropriation will be a \$17,000,000 decrease in Federal Grants and a \$17,000,000 increase in State Grants for the Middle Branch Resiliency Initiative.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Sara Paranilam, Division Chief, Policy and Data Analysis at sara.paranilam@baltimorecity.gov.