



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

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Date: December 19, 2019

Re: **City Council Bill 19-0383 City Streets – Closing – Bauernschmidt Alley and 2 10-Foot Alleys Bounded by North Gay Street, East Oliver Street, North Washington Street, and Federal Street**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0383, for the purpose of condemning and closing Bauernschmidt Alley and 2 10-foot alleys bounded by North Gay Street, East Oliver Street, North Washington Street, and Federal Street, as shown on Plat 309-A-29A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill will close Bauernschmidt Alley as well as two 10-foot alleys bounded by North Gay Street to the East, East Oliver Street to the South, North Washington Street to the West and East Federal Street to the North. The alley closing will support the redevelopment of this block in the Broadway East Neighborhood. DHCD's Development Division has gained title to the majority of the properties on this block and looks forward the consolidation of the adjacent properties to make way for the proposed Southern View Apartments.

DHCD **supports** the passage of City Council Bill 19-0383.

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