



CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Veronica P. McBeth, Director, Department of Transportation
CC	Mayor's Office of Government Relations
DATE	December 10, 2025
SUBJECT	25-0124 • Supplementary Department of Transportation Project Fund Capital Appropriation – Department of Transportation – \$498,000

Position: Favorable

BILL SYNOPSIS

The source of the \$498,000 allocated for PRJ003511 (Jones Falls Gateway) was erroneously labeled as State funding when, in actuality, it is Federal funding. Council Bill 25-0124 would simply rectify this discrepancy by re-classifying the origin of this allocation to Federal funds, which is needed to allow the Department to access and spend the funds.

The Jones Falls Gateway Project, funded through a Federal Transportation Alternatives Program Grant, entails the design of a bi-directional, multi-use trail and ADA-compliant sidewalk along Falls Rd between the CSX bridge and the Charles Street centerline. The Project will also evaluate the possible realignment of a block of Lafayette St to allow for two-way vehicular traffic between Falls Rd and Maryland Ave. This is part of a larger vision to improve trails, lighting, landscaping, and public art in the area.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

This corrective bill is essential to facilitate the Department's use of this grant. Therefore, DOT requests a favorable report on Council Bill 25-0124.