



## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
c/o Shamoia Gardiner Legislative Director, Council President's Office.

From: J Hardy, Special Assistant/ Constituent Liaison

Date: May 12, 2025

Re: 25-0057 City Property – Sales Ordinance for the Sale of Property 5401 Mason Lord Drive

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### Position: Support

The Department of Real Estate submits this report in support of Bill 25-0057, authorizing the sale of property located at 5401 Mason Lord Drive, which currently functions as a stormwater management facility serving the Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Campus.

This property, and the infrastructure it contains, represents a longstanding collaboration between the City of Baltimore and the Johns Hopkins institutions. Originally conveyed to the City in 1988 pursuant to a “Clarification Agreement” between the City, The Johns Hopkins Hospital, The Johns Hopkins University, Francis Scott Key Medical Center, Inc., and FSK Land Corporation, the parcel was required for the construction of the facility using federal Economic Development Authority (EDA) funds. At the time, it was understood that the land would be returned to FSK upon EDA approval. That approval was granted in late 2024, and a formal release from the EDA was recorded by the City in December.

FSK maintained the stormwater facility under a thirty-year agreement, which expired in August 2019. The City’s reconveyance of the property, as proposed in this bill, ensures that the responsibility for continued maintenance rests solely with FSK which will relieve the City of ongoing costs associated with aging infrastructure that benefits only the Bayview campus.

This transfer is not only consistent with the original agreements but also reflects the city’s fiscal policy by avoiding unnecessary future liabilities.

For the reasons stated above, the Department of Real Estate supports the passage of 25-0057.

### CC:

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