



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: March 18, 2019

Re: **City Council Bill 19-0318, City Streets – Closing – West Fairmount Avenue, a 10-Foot Alley, a Portion of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and a Portion of a 3-Foot Alley**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0318, for the purpose of condemning and closing West Fairmount Avenue, a 10-foot alley, a portion of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, and a portion of a 3-foot alley bounded by North Fremont Avenue, West Fayette Street, Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, and West Baltimore Street, and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill and the accompanying opening bill will allow for the UM Biopark project to proceed and expand.

DHCD supports the passage of City Council Bill 19-0318.

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cc: Mr. Jeffrey Amoros, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*