

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: kmhanley2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kevin Hanley <kmhanley2@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2025 2:44 PM
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Subject: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065

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Also, speaking as a new parent, I'd appreciate Baltimores leaders to take a position that encourages a more walkable and transit oriented city in the future. One of the things that has drawn my family and I to Baltimore is the character of the city and the ability to easily navigate without a car.

I encourage the Land Use and Transportation Committee to vote favorably, and for the full council to pass Baltimore City Council bills #25-0062, #25-0064, and #25-0065.

Sincerely,
Mr. Kevin Hanley
219 E Heath St Baltimore, MD 21230-4909 kmhanley2@gmail.com

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From: Keever Frye <keever.frye@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
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From: Jen Spencer Heilman <jspencer835@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
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jspencer835@gmail.com

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Sincerely,
Michael Rubenstein
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mike.rubenstein1@gmail.com

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From: Harlanelizabethn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Elizabeth Harlan
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Sincerely,
Elizabeth Harlan
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From: kenn.jose@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jose De Arteaga
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Sincerely,
Mr. Jose De Arteaga
2014 31st PI SE Washington, DC 20020-3314 kenn.jose@comcast.net

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From: micheleslevy@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michele Levy
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Sincerely,
Ms. Michele Levy
3140 Remington Ave Baltimore, MD 21211-2801 micheleslevy@gmail.com

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From: Dave Manchester <dman610@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2025 11:29 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: Land Use and Transportation Committee

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1405 E Clement St Baltimore, MD 21230-5205
dman610@gmail.com

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From: Xavier Jackson <xavierjackson3@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2025 11:03 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: Fwd: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065

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From: "Cohen, Zeke (City Council)" <Zeke.Cohen@baltimorecity.gov>
Date: September 18, 2025 at 9:59:02 AM EDT
To: xavierjackson3@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065

Good morning,

Thank you for your email. To ensure your comments are included in the official bill file and received by the committee, please submit your testimony to testimony@baltimorecity.gov.

Thank you,
Hailey Kancherla

Office of the Baltimore City Council President Zeke Cohen
Baltimore City Council
100 Holliday Street, Room 400
Baltimore, MD 21202
Office: (410) 396-4804

From: xavierjackson3@everyactionadvocacy.com <xavierjackson3@everyactionadvocacy.com> on behalf of Xavier Jackson <xavierjackson3@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 5:28 PM
To: Cohen, Zeke (City Council) <Zeke.Cohen@baltimorecity.gov>
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817 Saint Paul St Baltimore, MD 21202-2472
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From: jimbrown8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jim Brown <jimbrown8@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Mr. Jim Brown
3010 Cresmont Ave Baltimore, MD 21211-2819 jimbrown8@msn.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Kate Simms <knbeagle@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2025 10:15 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: Fwd: Opposition letters for Bills 25-0064 and 25-0065
Attachments: Bill 25-0064.pdf; Bill 25-0065.pdf

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Dear Council President Cohen and Members of City Council,

Please see attached letters of opposition to bills 25-0064 and 25-0065.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks much for considering my submission.
Kate Simms

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Alex Duprey <alexduprey4589@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2025 10:04 AM
To: Testimony
Subject: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065

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Sincerely,
Miss Alexandra Duprey
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Mr David House
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From: alexduprey4589@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alexandra Duprey
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: nancy.breen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Nancy Breen
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: andrew@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Andrew Crabb
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From: Andrew Samuel <asamuel@loyola.edu>
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Mary M Hughes <mhughes90@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 9:58 PM
To: Testimony
Subject: Fw: BILLS 25-006 & 25-0065 BAD FOR THE NEIGHBORHOODS - BAD FOR BALTIMORE

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STOP BILL 25-0064!!!! STOP BILL 25-0065 STOP THE INSANITY STOP IT NOW!!!

WHY? READ ON!!!

Bill 25-0064 dramatically increases multi-family density in the R-5, R-6, R-7 and R-8 zones. It allows multi-family buildings that are already on our row house blocks to grow significantly in size and in the number of apartments. It also encourages the conversion of other homes on these blocks from single-family to multi-family.

With the promise of extra density and the ability to build large additions, companies will buy up single-family properties for their multi-family potential. **There will be more corporate ownership of residences in our neighborhoods and more conversions of single-family row houses to multi-family buildings. Baltimore will lose single-family homes.**

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It is so obvious the changes brought by **Bill 25-0064** will be disruptive and destabilizing to life on our neighborhood blocks, and yet the **bill completely disregards all negative impacts of these changes on neighbors and it silences the voices and legitimate concerns of neighboring homeowners and others who are affected, by allowing the new densities and building dimensions "by right" in every situation, on every row house block, citywide. Serious consequences will happen without anything to prevent them.**

Now let me speak of the harm Bill 25-0065 will impose on your constituents, my neighbors:

This bill allows all of the apartments and residents added by Bill 25-0064 to bring more cars to our neighborhood blocks without additional off-street parking spaces. It removes the parking requirement for buildings with four apartments or more. If the owner of an R-8 property wants to use Bill 25-0064 to

go from three current units to four or even five, or to convert a single-family row house to a multi-family building with four or five apartments, this bill will require no additional parking. **Again, it will be allowed "by right" regardless of impact in every situation, on every block, citywide.**

Question. DO ANY OF YOU really comprehend what bill 25-0064 and bill 25-0065 are purposing?
Please do what will be beneficial to your constituents and my neighbors- DO NOT ALLOW
BILLS 25-0064 & 25-0065 TO BECOME LAW!

Lastly, please consider the voices of the residents, homeowners and voters and less to well financed developers.

I thank you in advance for standing with the PEOPLE!!!

Mary Hughes, Vice
President
FALLS PARKWAY
443 602-4158

FRIENDS OF GWYNNS

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: atjones4@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Adam Jones <atjones4@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
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From: dalbi.lee@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Hj Park
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Requiring minimum parking forces up the cost of housing for everyone, including people who don't own a car. In addition, parking takes up space that makes neighborhoods less walkable. Homeowners and developers should be allowed to determine their parking needs without government restrictions. #25-0065 would remove arbitrary parking minimums.

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Sincerely,
David Eden
7119 Rodgers Ct Baltimore, MD 21212-1524 djeden5588@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: j@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jared Nielsen <j@everyactioncustom.com>
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Mr Jared Nielsen
1915 Fairbank Rd Baltimore, MD 21209-3621 j@diy.email

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Dr. Michael Frederick

2019 E Fairmount Ave Baltimore, MD 21231-1609 tbyrd420@hotmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: jspencer835@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jennifer Spencer Heilman
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Mr. John Borlik
2124 Orleans St Baltimore, MD 21231-1331 cyberpallet@yahoo.com

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Mr Keever Frye
1204 Southview Rd Baltimore, MD 21218-1400 keever.frye@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Jessie Parker <jessie.parker@gmail.com>
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To: Testimony
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Date: Wed, Sep 17, 2025 at 4:44 PM
Subject: Re: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065
To: jessie.parker@gmail.com <jessie.parker@gmail.com>

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your email. To ensure your comments are included in the official bill file and received by the committee, please submit your testimony to testimony@baltimorecity.gov.

Thank you,
Hailey Kancherla

Office of the Baltimore City Council President Zeke Cohen
Baltimore City Council
[100 Holliday Street, Room 400](#)
[Baltimore, MD 21202](#)
[Office: \(410\) 396-4804](#)

From: jessie.parker@everyactionadvocacy.com <jessie.parker@everyactionadvocacy.com> on behalf of Jessie Parker <jessie.parker@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 4:32 PM
To: Cohen, Zeke (City Council) <Zeke.Cohen@baltimorecity.gov>
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Sincerely,

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[3501 Roland Ave Baltimore, MD 21211-2429](mailto:jessie.parker@gmail.com)

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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Sincerely,
Mr. Dave Manchester
1405 E Clement St Baltimore, MD 21230-5205 dman610@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: ray@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ray Fusco <ray@everyactioncustom.com>
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Ray Fusco
3231 Chesterfield Ave Baltimore, MD 21213-1707 ray@rayfuscoinc.com

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Sincerely,
Xavier Jackson
817 Saint Paul St Baltimore, MD 21202-2472 xavierjackson3@yahoo.com

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From: funwithtype@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Laura L McConnell
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Mrs. Laura L McConnell

1410 W Mount Royal Ave Baltimore, MD 21217-4244 funwithtype@yahoo.com

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From: cagavrick@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Christopher Gawrych
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Mr. Christopher Gawrych
217 S Collington Ave Baltimore, MD 21231-2628 cagavrick@gmail.com

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From: Lynnsey O'Rourke <lynnseyeorourke@gmail.com>
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Ms. Lynnsey O'Rourke
2115 Saint Paul St Apt 3 Baltimore, MD 21218-5804
lynnseyeorourke@gmail.com

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I encourage the Land Use and Transportation Committee to vote favorably, and for the full council to pass Baltimore City Council bills #25-0062, #25-0064, and #25-0065.

Sincerely,
Mr Michael Farrell
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: mojo_art@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joseph Martorella
<mojo_art@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Mr Joseph Martorella
1235 Union Ave Baltimore, MD 21211-1902 mojo_art@yahoo.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: mattanster@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mattan Schuchman
<mattanster@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Dr. Mattan Schuchman
3140 Remington Ave Baltimore, MD 21211-2801 mattanster@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: ajpidgeon@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Aidan Pidgeon
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Sincerely,
Mr. Aidan Pidgeon
1603 Bolton St Baltimore, MD 21217-4317 ajpidgeon@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: oliveavarlas17@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Olivea Varlas <oliveavarlas17@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Olivea Varlas
1500 Claremont St Baltimore, MD 21231-2775 oliveavarlas17@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: wdusold05@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of William Dusold <wdusold05@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Mr. William Dusold
400 Ridgely Rd Glen Burnie, MD 21061-4632 wdusold05@verizon.net

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: anngreenbaum@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ann Greenbaum
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Sincerely,
Dr. Ann Greenbaum
803 Trafalgar Rd Towson, MD 21204-3805
anngreenbaum@aol.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: anngreenbaum@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of ann greenbaum
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Sincerely,
Dr. ann greenbaum
803 Trafalgar Rd Towson, MD 21204-3805
anngreenbaum@aol.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: ranigan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ryan Flanigan
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I believe these bills will particularly help my neighborhood of Mayfield/Lake Montebello add new residents. More people should share in the beauty and utility of Lake Montebello, Herring Run Park, and Clifton Park.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ryan Flanigan

2107 Lake Montebello Ter Baltimore, MD 21218-3132 ranigan@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: lynnseyeorourke@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lynnsey O'Rourke
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Sincerely,

Ms. Lynnsey O'Rourke

2115 Saint Paul St Apt 3 Baltimore, MD 21218-5804 lynnseyeorourke@gmail.com

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Sincerely,
Dr. Jner Tzern Oon
1908 Eastern Ave Apt 2 Baltimore, MD 21231-2563 jjoon@duck.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: mdmerry@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mitch Merry
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Sincerely,
Mitch Merry
1513 Barclay St Baltimore, MD 21202-2901 mdmerry@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: mike.rubenstein1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michael Rubenstein
<mike.rubenstein1@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Michael Rubenstein
12 S Ellwood Ave Baltimore, MD 21224-2241 mike.rubenstein1@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Sincerely,
Dr. Andrew Samuel
302 Oakdale Rd Baltimore, MD 21210-2522 asamuel@loyola.edu

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: daria.t.pugh@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Daria Pugh
<daria.t.pugh@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
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Sincerely,

Mr. Brian Levy

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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Linda Batts <samuel1008@verizon.net>
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Cc: hanlonimprovementassoc@gmail.com
Subject: Fw: City Council Bills 25-0064 and 25-0065

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Baltimore City Council

100 Holliday Street

Baltimore, Md. 21202

Dear Officials:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment upon Bills 25-0064 and 25-0065. The Hanlon Improvement Association, Inc. opposes these bills because they bills are based on hasty generalizations and assumptions rather than evidence. There has been no thorough community-by-community analysis of these bills, their effects on residents, or who will benefit or be harmed, nor has there been genuine public input. Other considerations include, but are not limited to, the following:

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- The potential for an oversaturation of buildings and people in tight spaces will adversely affect individuals
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- The oversaturation of people in smaller spaces without access to sufficient parking impacts health, safety and the quality of lives
- The bills will perpetuate existing racial and economic disparities, and the people who will benefit will not be the working class and persons already in need of affordable housing but developers and other financially advantaged populations
- Bill 250065 will disadvantage existing historic and legacy churches and inner-city institutions that rely on off street parking and disrupt the lives of seniors, persons with disabilities and other groups for whom accessibility is important and protected by law
- Small businesses may experience economic injury as a result of diminished parking

In the end, these bills require thorough review and input from Baltimore City residents before implementation. Both quantitative and qualitative analysis, neighborhood by neighborhood, should guide the process, followed by community engagement based on the collected data. Adopting a “one size fits all” universal decision-making model risks undermining the rulemaking process and injuring residents, especially when alternatives with a lesser impact or pilot programs for disadvantaged communities have not been considered.

Thank you.

Linda Batts, President

Hanlon Improvement Association, Inc.

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Bill 25-0064 greatly increases multi-family density in the R-5 to R-8 zones, allowing existing rowhouse buildings to expand and encouraging single-family homes to convert to multi-family. This will lead to more corporate ownership and fewer single-family homes, limiting affordable homeownership opportunities for families. Converting rowhouses into apartments reduces chances for homeownership, which benefits both families and neighborhoods—we should support homeownership rather than hinder it.

The allowances afforded by this bill are not minor. Not only will it result in a significant reduction in open and green space across the city but also it will affect sight lines and reduce the permeable space in a city plagued with flooding and other problems. Reducing back and side yard requirements allows developers and builders to construct larger buildings on individual lots, which decreases the green space between homes and in rear yards. This adjustment may have environmental implications such as effects on air quality and the potential for increased heat islands. The change could modify available open space and alter interactions among neighborhoods. Additionally, higher density may result in increased competition for off-street parking in concentrated communities, potentially affecting access for elderly individuals, people with disabilities, and shift workers. Amenities like safe parking and unobstructed sight lines are relevant considerations in areas concerned about crime. The impact on city resources should also be evaluated, as departments such as Housing and DPW, among others, currently face significant workloads. Increasing neighborhood density may affect services including sanitation, housing, and other environmental provisions, which could influence future demands on taxpayers.

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This bill allows apartments added by Bill 25-0064 to increase car numbers in neighborhoods without requiring extra off-street parking. It removes parking requirements for buildings with four or more units, so converting R-8 properties to four or five apartments will not require additional parking. These changes apply automatically citywide, regardless of impact. The effects on parking should be evaluated closely due to existing city policies like "Complete Streets."

Ultimately, these bills are being rushed unjustifiably and without proper and widespread community engagement. The recent City Council hearing evidences the differential treatment accorded individuals testifying in support of the bills as compared to those who oppose the bills. Such disparities undermine confidence in public participation. Also, the bills lack a proper business case (social, environmental and economic). In view of the existing variance process available to residents, streamlining the variance and related processes serve as alternatives that would maintain the balance between residents and developers or those who desire modifications. It would preserve community input, improve efficiency, and remove unilateral rights in the bills. The bills, therefore, should be suspended pending proper engagement and assessments, with possible future pilot programs, if necessary, in receptive communities.

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The allowances afforded by this bill are not minor. Not only will it result in a significant reduction in open and green space across the city but also it will affect sight lines and reduce the permeable space in a city plagued with flooding and other problems. Reducing back and side yard requirements allows developers and builders to construct larger buildings on individual lots, which decreases the green space between homes and in rear yards. This adjustment may have environmental implications such as effects on air quality and the potential for increased heat islands. The change could modify available open space and alter interactions among neighborhoods. Additionally, higher density may result in increased competition for off-street parking in concentrated communities, potentially affecting access for elderly individuals, people with disabilities, and shift workers. Amenities like safe parking and unobstructed sight lines are relevant considerations in areas concerned about crime. The impact on city resources should also be evaluated, as departments such as Housing and DPW currently face significant workloads. Increasing neighborhood density may affect services including sanitation, housing, and other environmental provisions, which could influence future demands on taxpayers.

Bill 25-0064 introduces disruptive changes to neighborhood blocks, overlooking the negative effects on residents. By permitting increased densities and building sizes "by right" citywide, it dismisses community concerns and removes safeguards against potential consequences.

Bill 25-0065:

This bill allows apartments added by Bill 25-0064 to increase car numbers in neighborhoods without requiring extra off-street parking. It removes parking requirements for buildings with four or more units, so converting R-8 properties to four or five apartments will not require additional parking. These changes apply automatically citywide, regardless of impact. The effects on parking should be evaluated closely due to existing city policies like "Complete Streets."

Ultimately, these bills are being rushed unjustifiably and without proper and widespread community engagement. The recent City Council hearing evidences the differential treatment accorded individuals testifying in support of the bills as compared to those who oppose the bills. Such disparities undermine confidence in public participation. Also, the bills lack a proper business case, especially in view of the existing variance process available to residents. Streamlining the variance and related processes serves as alternatives that would maintain the balance between residents and developers or those who desire modifications. It would preserve community input, improve efficiency, and remove unilateral rights in the bills. The bills, therefore, should be suspended pending proper engagement and assessments (social, economic, and environmental). Following proper assessments, possible pilot programs, if necessary, could be tested in receptive communities.

Sincerely,

Linda Batts

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Ann Everton <ann.everton@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 10:00 PM
To: Testimony; Brandon M Scott; Middleton, Sharon (City Council); City Council President
Subject: Opposition to bills 25-0064, 25-0065, and 25-0066

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Hey all,

My name is Ann Everton and I'm a resident of Garwyn Oaks and Windsor Hills (we're on the dividing line and both neighborhoods claim us) over in West Baltimore.

I strongly urge you to hit pause on bills 25-0064, 25-0065, and 25-0066 until you get more community input, before voting on them. Now that the rest of the city is more aware of the potential outcomes of these bills, you've been hearing cries of opposition and dissent from literally ALL OVER the city. That should be a loud wake-up call to take a harder look at these bills and rework a few things before you vote on them. Please remember these are your voting constituents who are raising concerns about these bills.

I was at my Garwyn Oaks community meeting last night hearing my neighbors' concerns about these bills--Councilman Blanchard was there, answering questions about 25-0065, which is his pet bill. He mentioned city-wide dissent about the bill package, and tried to reassure us our concerns were noted but essentially brushed-off. Though most of my neighbors didn't take tremendous umbrage to his specific bill (25-0065), it was bills 25-0064 and 25-0066 that really had folks riled.

Our neighborhoods are defined by their green spaces--why give developers the green light to pave over them, creating more impermeable surfaces to further aggravate our aging stormwater runoff infrastructure? The charm of this city is that it's not overcrowded, that we have space to grow and cultivate not just our greenery but our art, our music, our passions, our souls, too. These bills make me think back to the concept of the projects from when I was a kid--how will the governing forces in Baltimore City prevent the Lafayette Courts from happening again? What other possibilities could affordable housing in Baltimore look like? There must be something between high-rise luxury condos no one can afford, and the projects. I don't have the answer here, but I'm not sure bill 25-0064 or 25-0066 does either.

Also, a question: how will these bills affect covenant neighborhoods like Homeland, Roland Park, and Guilford? Are those neighborhoods to expect multi-unit dwellings with minimal green space and no parking? Are these bills equitable concerning the wealthiest neighborhoods in the city?

Sorry for the rambling note, I'm sure you all have been getting lots of them--but please take these rambling notes seriously and delay voting on these bills so your constituents can study them more closely and suggest measures to ensure that our city won't fall victim to predatory development, gentrification, and housing inequity. We know you have our best interests at heart, and we appreciate all that you do. Take it slow :)

Best,
Ann Everton

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: gordon.steen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gordon Steen
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Subject: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065

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I encourage the Land Use and Transportation Committee to vote favorably, and for the full council to pass Baltimore City Council bills #25-0062, #25-0064, and #25-0065.

Sincerely,
Mr Gordon Steen
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Barbara Stanton <stantonbarb@yahoo.com>
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We object to Bill #25-0064. Research shows that yards and open space improve the physical and mental health of community members. This bill will decrease the our ability to attract new residents and is actively harmful to Baltimore people.

We object to Bill #25-0065. Parking permits exist because parking is difficult in our neighborhoods. The argument that this will force people to use public transportation and not own cars is specious. Buses and trains need to have more routes and greater reliability before residents can give up their cars.

Regards,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Fred T. <fredtillman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 9:40 AM
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Good morning,

Please see the attached email as well.

Thank you!

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From: Fred T. <fredtillman@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Aug 4, 2025 at 8:14 AM
Subject: RE: Opposition to City Council Bills 25-0064 and 25-0065
To: <Eric.Tiso@baltimorecity.gov>, <Chris.Ryer@baltimorecity.gov>
Cc: Eric Brown <mobybrown@aol.com>

To the Members of the Baltimore City Planning Commission

Dear Commissioners,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is Fred Tillman, a concerned homeowner and resident of Marble Hill, writing to respectfully share my opposition to **City Council Bills 25-0064** and **25-0065** currently under your review.

While I am supportive of thoughtful development and progress, these proposed zoning changes appear to disproportionately favor developers while disregarding the lived experiences and needs of long-term residents and homeowners.

Bill 25-0064, which reduces bulk and yard requirements, threatens what little green space remains in many neighborhoods—further diminishing the beauty, environmental health, and balance our communities depend on. Green space is not expendable; it's essential.

Bill 25-0065, which would eliminate off-street parking requirements, poses serious challenges to our already-congested neighborhoods. For areas with dense multi-unit properties, removing parking standards will make it nearly impossible for current residents to access parking near their homes—greatly affecting quality of life.

Homeowners are the foundation of Baltimore's neighborhoods. We are the ones investing in, maintaining, and nurturing these communities. Policy decisions that ignore this reality erode stability and push out those most committed to the city's long-term success.

I ask that you take a thoughtful and community-centered approach to zoning, and consider the long-term impact these bills will have on existing residents.

Thank you for your service and for considering my perspective.

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Enjoy the Journey,

Fred Tillman

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Shane Cromwell <bullettrane@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
shane cromwell
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: carolina.c.paul@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carolina Paul
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Sincerely,
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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Kristine Dennis <kristinekay.dennis@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: Isabela Garces <isabelagarces97@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: rkazany@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Becca Hazany
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ebkurtz@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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960 Fell St Unit 511 Baltimore, MD 21231-3552 csauerbach@yahoo.com

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Date: September 11, 2025 at 9:17:13 AM EDT
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Hailey Kancherla

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Baltimore, MD 21202
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Sincerely,
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kristiewoods79@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 8:02 PM
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Barret Rus
1211 S Conkling St Baltimore, MD 21224-5341
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

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Ms Patricia White
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From: Tyler Ruth <babyruth0300@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
Mr. Tyler Ruth
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babyruth0300@gmail.com

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Sincerely,
Mr. Joshua Ratner
5011 Boxhill Ln Baltimore, MD 21210-2017 joshua.ratner@gmail.com

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1901 S Charles St Apt 401 Baltimore, MD 21230-4940 mjfrancis10@gmail.com

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I encourage the Land Use and Transportation Committee to vote favorably, and for the full council to pass Baltimore City Council bills #25-0062, #25-0064, and #25-0065.

Sincerely,
Mr. Brian Megali
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bmegali@gmail.com

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: bruce@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Bruce Willen
<bruce@everyactioncustom.com>
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Subject: Support for CB #25-0062, CB #25-0064, CB #25-0065

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Sincerely,

Mr. Bruce Willen

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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: veenathamil@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Veena Thamilselvan
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Sincerely,
Veena Thamilselvan
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: carroll.jack@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jack Carroll
<carroll.jack@everyactioncustom.com>
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I encourage the Land Use and Transportation Committee to vote favorably, and for the full council to pass Baltimore City Council bills #25-0062, #25-0064, and #25-0065.

Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: lexigibbons@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alexa Gibbons
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I encourage the Land Use and Transportation Committee to vote favorably, and for the full council to pass Baltimore City Council bills #25-0062, #25-0064, and #25-0065.

Sincerely,
Ms. Alexa Gibbons
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: ed.traver@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Edward Traver
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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: sarahkatejacklin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sarah Jacklin
<sarahkatejacklin@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Ms. Sarah Jacklin
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: blakebarnett43@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Blake Barnett <blakebarnett43@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: david.e.wolfe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of David Wolfe
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Sincerely,
Mr. David Wolfe
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: naomi.m.komuro@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Naomi Komuro
<naomi.m.komuro@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Naomi Komuro
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: csn4348@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Shelley Norman <csn4348@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Dr. Shelley Norman
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: sasha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alexander Bauer
<sasha@everyactioncustom.com>
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Sincerely,
Mr. Alexander Bauer
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: aliciaelba@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alicia Williams
<aliciaelba@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 5:08 PM
To: Testimony
Subject: Oppose the Jones Falls Transfer Station proposal, especially without safety improvements

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Dear City Council Testimony,

I am writing in opposition to the city's proposal to relocate the Sisson Street Transfer Facility to the Potts & Callahan site along Falls Road in the Jones Falls Valley.

For years, the Mayor's Office and the Baltimore City Department of Transportation have made promises for improvements to this corridor that would make it safe for people of all ages and abilities to walk and bike from Maryland Avenue all the way to Union Avenue.

These promises included:

- 1) Widening the Jones Falls Trail to high quality trail standards between Maryland Avenue and the Round Falls switchbacks, as the trail along this section is below minimum trail width standards. Part of this proposal is currently in planning as part of the Jones Falls Gateway project.
- 2) Maintaining the closure to through traffic north of the Potts and Callahan site. This commitment was made by Mayor Scott in his first term to the Greater Remington Improvement Association to expand safe outdoor recreational space during the pandemic. Unfortunately, the commitment was broken and the road reopened. Baltimore City Department of Transportation was subsequently instructed to produce several designs including restoration of that traffic diverter, which were presented to the community with an anticipated installation timeline of 12 months. No improvements were installed.
- 3) Conversion of a small section of Falls Road and Clipper Mill Road to one-way, which would allow installation of a walking and biking sidepath on the most dangerous and narrow section of the corridor.

All three of these unrealized improvements--improvements already promised by the administration--are necessary to make the corridor safe and accessible to people of all ages and abilities walking and biking TODAY. Potential introduction of increased truck and personal vehicle traffic to the corridor with a relocation of the Sisson Street Transfer Facility makes all of these improvements even more urgent and necessary.

It's important to note that these improvements would not restrict vehicle access to any businesses or residences along the corridor. All would still be accessible by car, and via the routes currently most commonly used to access those residences and businesses. The only thing this proposal would do is prevent the most dangerous behavior on the corridor: through speeding by drivers seeking to avoid the JFX.

There is no safe path to relocation of the transfer facility to the Jones Falls Valley without all three of these improvements being installed in advance of or concurrently with relocation. Anyone supporting relocation without committing to these improvements is endorsing a plan that will injure and kill pedestrians and bicyclists.

I do not believe the proposed relocation site is a good one, but I urge you to commit to these improvements regardless of the outcome of the relocation proposal.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alicia Williams

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(202) 285-3374

Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: jtimson9@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jessalyn Timson <jtimson9@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 4:49 PM
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Sincerely,
Ms. Jessalyn Timson
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: SystemicError@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tevis Tsai
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Sincerely,
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Leva, Anthony F (City Council)

From: tcsaintclare@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tyler St Clare
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Sincerely,
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From: elysian109@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of William Zhu <elysian109@everyactioncustom.com>
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From: BVANWELY@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of J. B. Van Wely
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Sincerely,

Mr J. B. Van Wely

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Sincerely,
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