




BALTIMORE HOUSING

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MICHAEL BRAVERMAN
Acting Executive Director, HAABC
Acting Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Acting Commissioner 

Date: May 15, 2017

Re: **City Council Bill 17-0055 - Franchise – Parking Lot, with a Chain Link Fence, in a Portion of the North Side of the Bed of Bath Street, Between Calvert Street and Guilford Avenue**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0055, for the purpose of granting a franchise to MD-North Calvert Street, LLC, to use and maintain an existing parking lot located in a portion of the north side of the bed of Bath Street, between Calvert Street and Guilford Avenue where this parking lot adjoins the property of MD-North Calvert Street, LLC (formerly owned by The A.S. Abell Company) and to use and maintain an existing chain link fence, with a gate, along the eastern, southern, and western boundaries of the parking lot, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill would reestablish a franchise agreement with MD-North Calvert Street, LLC, the new owner of the property that was previously owned by A.S. Abell Company. The original franchise agreement with A.S. Abell Company was for the use and maintenance of an existing parking lot that was originally covered by Ordinance 713 which was approved in 1974 for period not to exceed 25 years.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0055.

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cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
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