



HEARING NOTES

Bill: 21-0119

Rezoning - 1201 South Haven Street and a Portion of Boston Street

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Chaired By: Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

Hearing Date: December 7, 2021

Time (Beginning): 2:25 PM

Time (Ending): 2:45 PM

Location: Virtual WEBEX

Total Attendance: Approximately 30

Committee Members in Attendance:

John Bullock Mark Conway Antonio Glover Robert Stokes Odette Ramos

Bill Synopsis in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Attendance sheet in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Agency reports read?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Video or audio-digitally recorded?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a

Motioned by:.....Councilmember Odette Ramos

Seconded by:.....Councilmember Robert Stokes

Final Vote:.....Favorable with Amendment

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Victor Terval, Department of Law
- Matt DeSantis, Planning Commission
- Stephanie Murdock, Department of Housing and Community Development

- Liam Davis, Department of Transportation
- Nina Themelis, Office of the Mayor
- Arco Sen, Parking Authority of Baltimore City
- Luis Cardona, Baltimore Development Corporation

Major Issues Discussed

1. Chairwoman Middleton opened the meeting, introduced committee members and City representatives and read the bill into the record.
2. Councilmember Cohen commented on the purpose of the bill. The Canton Community Association and the Brewer’s Hill Neighborhood Association supports the bill. He also expressed the need to protect truck lanes and the port and transit across the City.
3. Matt DeSantis presented the Planning Commission’s recommendations and findings which are also contained in the Department of Planning’s staff report for the bill.
4. Liam Davis explained the Department of Transportation’s report emphasizing that the project is located in a Traffic Mitigation Zone and certain traffic requirements must be met.
5. Agency representatives testified on behalf of their respective agencies.
6. Luis Cardona presented a summary of Baltimore Development Corporation’s report emphasizing that future non-industrial development must respect the truck routes in order to accommodate traffic in the port area.
7. Caroline Hecker, representing the applicant, testified in support of the bill. She indicated that there has been a significant change in the character of the neighborhood. The applicant has been in close contact with the Port Authority and the Maryland Motor Trucking Association to make sure their needs are being addressed.
8. Based on testimony and findings, the committee voted to recommend the bill favorably with amendments.
9. The hearing was adjourned.

Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

Sharon Green Middleton, Chair Yea
 John Bullock: Yea
 Mark Conway: Yea
 Ryan Dorsey: Absent - Excused
 Antonio Glover: Yea
 Robert Stokes: Yea
 Odette Ramos: Yea

Jennifer L. Coates, Committee Staff

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