



BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Economic and Community Development

Bill: 22-0244

City Streets - Closing - Three 10 Foot Alleys

Sponsor: *The Council President for the Administration (Department of Transportation)*

Introduced: *June 13, 2022*

Purpose:

For the purpose of condemning and closing: (1) a ten foot alley, extending from the northwest side of Virginia Avenue Northwesterly 397 feet more or less, to the southeast side of Woodland Avenue; (2) a ten foot alley extending from the northeast side of Homer Avenue Northeasterly 150 feet more or less, to the southwest side of a ten foot alley; and (3) a ten foot alley extending from the southeast side of Virginia Avenue Southwesterly 290.7 feet more or less, to the northwest side of a fifteen foot alley , as shown on a plat numbered 315-A-28A and filed in the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

Effective: The date it is enacted

Agency Reports

City Solicitor	Favorable
Department of Planning	
Department of Housing and Community Development	
Department of Transportation	
Baltimore Development Corporation	

Analysis

Current Law

Article I - General Provision; Section 4; and Article II - General Powers; Sections 2, 34, 35; Baltimore City Charter (1996 Edition)

Background

The bill proposes to allow the Department of Transportation to condemn and close the following:

1. a ten-foot alley which extends from the northwest side of Virginia Avenue to the southeast side of Woodland Avenue
2. a ten-foot alley extending from the northeast side of Homer Avenue to the southwest side of a ten-foot alley, and
3. a ten-foot alley extending from the southeast side of Virginia Avenue to the northwest side of a fifteen-foot alley (*see plat*).

The alleys are located in the Park Heights neighborhood of northwest Baltimore. According to the plat, the alleys lie to the rear of homes along the 4600 – 4700 blocks of Park Heights Avenue, as well as the 4700-4800 blocks of Homer Avenue.

According to the Department of Housing, the alleys are needed in furtherance of NHP Foundation, Inc's phased development plan for the area. NHP is proposing approximately 100 units of senior housing and 53 units of multi-family housing. Seventeen units of for-sale single family homes are also being developed.

Additional Information

Fiscal Note: Not Available

Information Source(s): Reporting Agencies and Bill 22-0244

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