

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Alice Kennedy, Housing Commissioner

Date: September 20, 2022

Re: City Council Bill 22-0214 Franchise - Underground Snow Melt System

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 22-0214 for the purpose of granting a franchise to the Johns Hopkins Hospital to construct, use, and maintain an underground snow melt system, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, City Council Bill 22-0214 would allow Johns Hopkins Hospital to construct an underground snow melt system in the sidewalk on the south side of the 1700 block of E. Monument Street.

The underground snow melt system may enhance public safety for the hospital campus. The location is not within any of DHCD's Impact Investment Areas or Community Development Zones.

DHCD does not object to the passage of City Council Bill 22-0214.