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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 22-0217	M E M O	

TO: Mayor Brandon M. Scott
TO: Economic & Community Development Committee
FROM: Department of Transportation
POSITION: **Support**
RE: Council Bill – 22-0217

DATE: 9/19/22

INTRODUCTION – Franchise - Storm Drain Outfall

PURPOSE/PLANS – For the purpose of granting a franchise to 701 Caton, LLC to construct, use, and maintain the storm drain outfall located in the City’s Lower Gwynns Falls Park, adjacent to 707 South Caton Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21229, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

COMMENTS – Council Bill 22-0217 looks to execute a Franchise Agreement between 701 Caton LLC and the City of Baltimore, creating an easement allowing for 701 Caton LLC to construct and utilize a storm drain system to service a recently constructed self-storage facility. Cost for construction, operation and maintenance of the storm drain system is to be covered fully by 701 Caton LLC at no cost to the City of Baltimore. Furthermore, the length of the proposed Franchise Agreement is scheduled to be 25 years and would require 701 Caton LLC to pay an annual franchise charge to be determined by the Board of Estimates. The legislation provides the Mayor of Baltimore the authority to revoke the Franchise Agreement to ensure and maintain public interest, welfare, safety, or convenience.

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION – Baltimore City DOT foresees no operational or fiscal impact resulting from the legislation and **supports** the advancement of Council Bill 22-0217.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-545-3207.

Sincerely,

Steve Sharkey
Director