

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 6, 2022

TO: Economic and Community Development Committee

FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

POSITION: Favorable

SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 22-0261: Rezoning - 801 South Haven Street, Block 6458/Lot

004A, and Block 6467/Lot 021A, and a Portion of Block 6458/Lot 004

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill No. 22-0261 introduced by Councilmember Cohen.

PURPOSE

This Bill will change the zoning for the properties known as 801 South Haven Street, Block 6458/Lot 004A, and Block 6467/Lot 021A, and a portion of Block 6458/Lot 004 from the I-2 and IMU-2 Zoning Districts to the R-8 Zoning District.

BRIEF HISTORY

This area has recently seen a significant proportion of industrial land rezoned to residential, which in turn has facilitated the addition of new single-family housing along S. Haven Street. While BDC has a long-standing concern about erosion of contiguous industrial areas, especially those that border truck routes and other important industrial infrastructure, in this case the subject property is a relatively small piece of vacant industrial property, primarily bordered by residential uses.

Accordingly, this rezoning will facilitate a property consolidation with the adjacent parcel at 715 S. Haven Street, which will be redeveloped with seven (7) multi-family detached dwellings (61 units total). A portion of the Baltimore Greenway Trail will also be developed along the edge of the consolidated parcels.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) supports City Council Bill No. 22-0261.

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or <u>KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com</u>.

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