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STAFF REPORT

October 11, 2022

REQUEST: Review and Respond to City Council Bill #22-0281 - Urban Renewal – Middle East-Amendment

RECOMMENDATION: CHAP has no objection to the amendment

STAFF: Stacy Montgomery

PETITIONER(S): The City Council President at the request of the Department of Housing and Community Development

SITE/LOCATION

The Middle East Urban Renewal Area is located in East Baltimore and bounded by East Biddle Street to the north, East Fayette Street to the south, North Broadway and Johns Hopkins Hospital to the west, and North Milton Avenue, North Patterson Park Avenue, and North Montford Avenue to the east. The eastern and western boundaries are irregular and a portion of the area extends east along East Monument Avenue to North Milton Avenue. There are no locally designated historic resources located within the Urban Renewal Area. The Johnny Eck House, a Baltimore City Landmark, is located just south of the Urban Renewal Area. The Urban Renewal Area contains a large portion of the East Monument National Register Historic District, all of the McDonogh Place National Register Historic District, and a small portion of the Broadway East/South Clifton Park National Register Historic District.

PROPOSAL

The amendment was introduced for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Middle East to extend the life of the Plan, and to remove certain properties from the list in Appendices A, C, and D; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

ANALYSIS

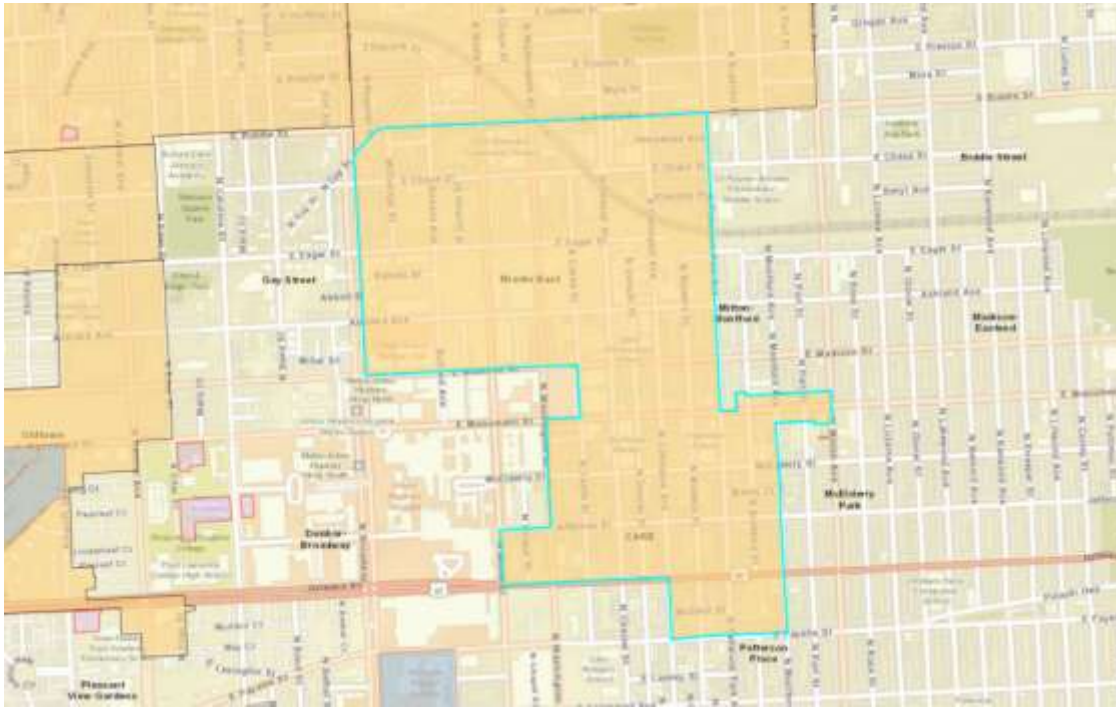
CHAP staff finds that the proposed amendments will have no impact on designated historic properties as the amendments do not affect CHAP’s design review authority in its local historic districts.

RECOMMENDATION

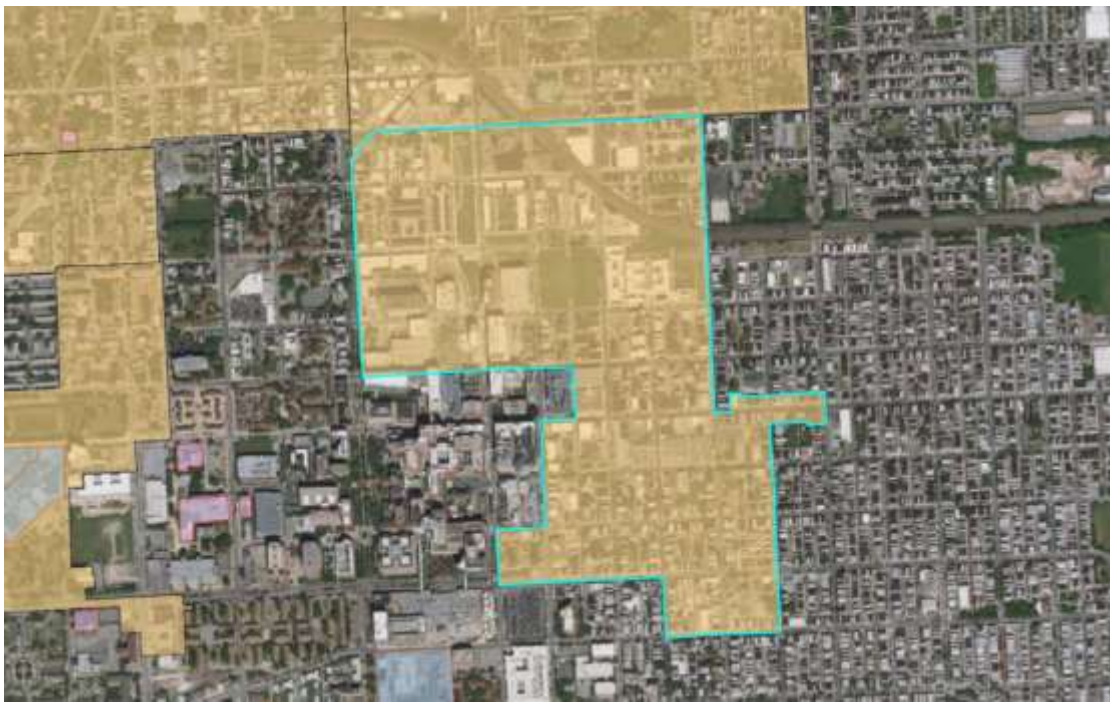
Staff recommends a finding no objection to the bill.

Eric L. Holcomb
Executive Director

MAPS & IMAGES



Map with Urban Renewal Plan Boundaries (Orange) including the Middle East Urban Renewal Plan Area (Orange with teal outline), Historic Landmarks (Purple with red outline), and Baltimore City Historic Districts (Blue with red outline)



Aerial Map with Urban Renewal Plan Boundaries (Orange) including the Middle East Urban Renewal Plan Area (Orange with teal outline), Historic Landmarks (Purple with red outline), and Baltimore City Historic Districts (Blue with red outline)