



CITY OF BALTIMORE  
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

<b>TO</b>	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
<b>FROM</b>	Alice Kennedy, Housing Commissioner
<b>DATE</b>	July 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2024
<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>24-0550 Zoning - Conditional Use - Retail Goods Establishment with Alcoholic Beverage Sales - 3601 Elm Avenue</b>

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The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, Room 400

7/23/24

**Position: Favorable**

## Introduction

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 24-0550 Zoning - Conditional Use - Retail Goods Establishment with Alcoholic Beverage Sales - 3601 Elm Avenue for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a retail goods establishment with alcoholic beverage sales on the property known as 3601 Elm Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, City Council Bill 24-0550 would permit, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a retail goods establishment with alcoholic beverage sales on the property known as 3601 Elm Avenue. If approved, this Bill will go into effect the day of its enactment.

## DHCD Analysis

At its regular meeting of July 11, 2024, the Planning Commission concurred with its Departmental staff and recommended that the Bill be approved by the City Council. In their report, the Commission found there will be no discernible negative impacts to the surrounding community from this proposal, as the use has been in continuous operation since 2009, and is pursuing a slightly less intense liquor license through a separate Council Resolution.

The referenced property does not fall within any of DHCD's Streamlined Code Enforcement Areas or Community Development Zones or Impact Investment Areas. DHCD does not anticipate an operational or fiscal impact from the passage of this Bill and the granting of this conditional use should not have any negative effects on the surrounding community, as the approval of this bill will not change the actual operations of the business at this location.

### Conclusion

DHCD respectfully request a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 24-0550.