


MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable President and Members of the City Council
Attention: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary

FROM: William H. Cole, President and CEO 

DATE: September 7, 2016

SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 16-0732
Rezoning – 325 West Baltimore Street

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on *City Council Bill No. 16-0732* for the purpose of changing the Zoning District to B-4-2 for the property known as 325 West Baltimore Street (“Property”).

The Property sits on a prominent segment of the West Baltimore Street corridor and is traversed daily by thousands of workers, residents and visitors to University of Maryland, Baltimore, the Hippodrome and Everyman Theatre, among other downtown destinations. Improvements to the Property will send a welcoming message to such pedestrians and will enhance their walking experience. The proposed mixed-use residential development will also generate a significant economic impact for local entertainment venues, restaurants and food retailers such as the nearby Lexington Market.

BDC has reviewed this Bill and respectfully requests that favorable consideration be given by the City Council for Bill No. 16-0732, provided that the Applicant, Balti-West 300, LLC, update their outlined area in blue on the accompanying zoning district map. The map as it is presently outlined includes properties not owned by the Applicant.

cc: Colin Tarbert
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