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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Acting Commissioner

Date: May 15, 2017

Re: City Council Bill 17-0039 - City Streets - Closing - Certain Streets

and Alleys Bounded by North Bond Street, East North Avenue,

Broadway, and East Lafayette Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0039, for the purpose of condemning and closing certain streets and alleys bounded by North Bond Street, East North Avenue, Broadway, and East Lafayette Avenue, as shown on Plat 311-A-31A in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill would facilitate the consolidation of parcels in the Oliver Neighborhood (interior of block 1102) to support future development by condemning and closing the appropriate streets and alleys located in the block. The block is comprised of over 50 vacant lots and the majority of the lots are owned by the City (see attached map).

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0039.

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cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office of Government Relations Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office of Government Relations



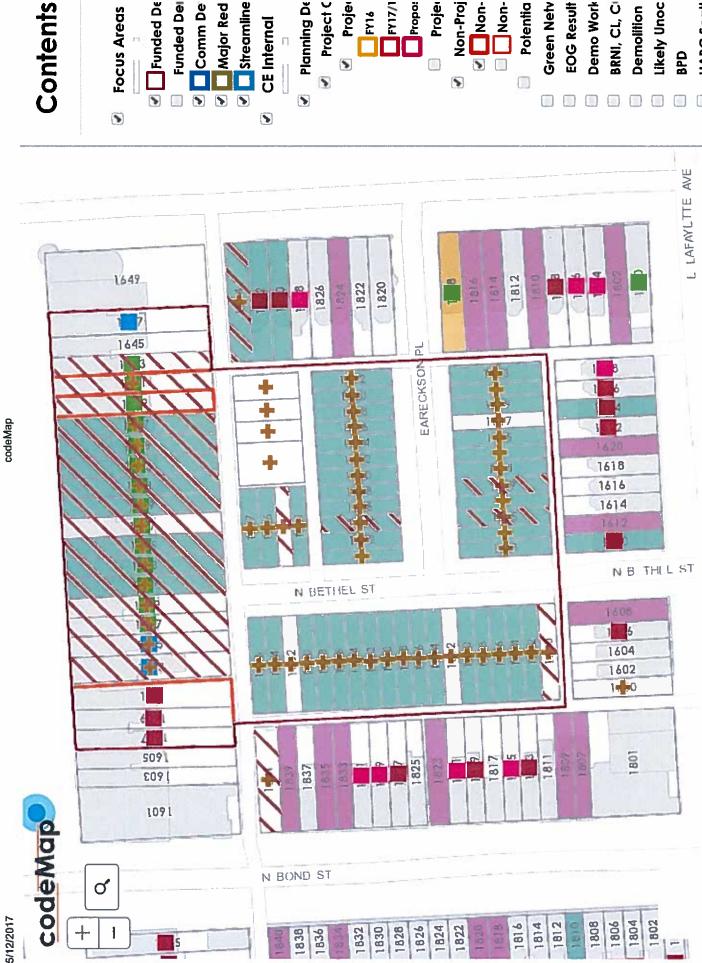
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