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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 17-0076		

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TO

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 17-0076 introduced by Council Member Clarke.

The purpose of the Bill is to amend the Urban Renewal plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello to modify the provisions for certain land uses in the plan; waive certain content and procedural requirements; make the provisions of this Ordinance severable; provide for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and provide for a special effective date.

Ordinance 77-289 established the Urban Renewal Area and Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello. The Urban Renewal Area is generally bounded by Harford Road on the east, 25th Street on the south, Loch Raven Boulevard on the west, and 33rd and 32nd Streets on the north. The Plan was last amended by Ordinance 14-301 to extend the powers of acquisition and condemnation in order to be in compliance with § 12-105.1 of the Real Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

City Council Bill 17-0076 would amend the Land Use Plan of the Urban Renewal Plan to require that street-facing ground floor uses in areas designated as Neighborhood Business, Community Business, and Community Commercial, must be primarily retail or service establishments that rely on walk-in business, deal directly with customers, and have regular daily hours of operation.

The Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 17-0076. It should be noted that the first recital of the Bill (on page 1, line 17) mistakenly identifies the last amending ordinance to be Ordinance 14-391. The correct reference is Ordinance 14-301.


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