R R	SUBJECT	City Council Bill #17-0144 – Discounted City Svcs. For Non Profi
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TO

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

DATE:

November 7, 2017

With respect to Bill #17-0144: "AN ORDINANCE FOR the purpose of requiring that The City grant a 50% discount for City services and equipment used to support a nonprofit event; and generally relating to the provision of City support to nonprofit event", the Department of Recreation & Parks is able to support this as written contingent on the continued inclusion of 37-2 (1) stipulating that the 50% discount required by the subtitle does not apply to the Department of Recreation and Parks fee schedule.

The Department of Recreation & Parks has no objection to CB 17-0144.

This determination is based on work we do directly with many nonprofit partners to hold events in parks. We are always looking for ways to increase programs and events in City parks. However, our Recreation & Parks Permits Office charges an area impact fee for park use and fees for the use of our mobile stage. The Permits Office is an enterprise type operation and is supported directly from the revenue received from these funds, in addition to material/supply costs and contractual services to support our pavilion/picnic area and athletic field rental operation. There are no City General Funds allocated to support this operation. Any reduction in our fees collected would directly impact the operation and or ability to keep the above referenced employees on payroll.

RM/jm Attachments