


FROM	NAME & TITLE	Michelle Pourciau, Director	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 17-0168		

TO Mayor Catherine E. Pugh

DATE: January 23, 2018

TO: Respective City Council Housing and Urban Affairs Committee
 FROM: Department of Transportation
 POSITION: Support
 RE: Council Bill – 17-0168

INTRODUCTION – Special Benefits Districts - Bmore Safe Places - Bmore Safe Places For the purpose of redesignating the City’s Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area Program.

PURPOSE/PLANS – Signage. The Department Of Transportation will post at least one sign on each blockface of the area, stating that this block is part of a NeighborWatch area.

BRIEF HISTORY – N/A

FISCAL IMPACT AND TIME ESTIMATION – Per Block Estimated Cost **\$1,972.17**.

The following breakdown includes two signs per block, with a sign at each approach end.

Item	Timeline	Approximated Cost
Sign Fabrication Materials (2/block)	2 weeks	\$392.68
Sign Fabrication Labor	1 week	\$1,138.60
Sign Installation Labor	2 days	\$440.89
Estimated Total Cost of Labor and Materials		\$1,972.17

Please find that the signage process, including plan review, fabrication, and installation, will need an allotted estimated timeframe of approximately **60 days**.

The process demands approvals of signage and verbiage by Baltimore City Police Department, which is approximated to take one week’s time. Upon receipt of design approval by Baltimore City Police Department, two weeks will be allotted for sign fabrication (given the estimated scope of the project). Additionally, DOT Right of Way Division must approve planned locations in the event of any obstruction due to utilities. Right of Way approvals may take up to two weeks; only after approvals may installation begin. Installation per block will take 2 days.

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION –

The Department of Transportation **supports** City Council 17-0168.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Katelyn McCauley at Katelyn.McCauley@baltimorecity.gov, 443-677-9391.

Sincerely,



Michelle Pourciau
 Director

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 17-0168
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Clarke, Cohen, Dorsey, Scott, Costello, Burnett,
Bullock, Schleifer, Middleton, Sneed, Pinkett, Stokes

Introduced and read first time: December 4, 2017

Assigned to: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Planning, Baltimore
Development Corporation, Department of Public Works, Department of Housing and
Community Development, Department of Transportation, Board of Estimates, Police
Department, Department of Recreation and Parks

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Special Benefits Districts – Bmore Safe Places**

3 FOR the purpose of redesignating the City’s Public Safety Conservation Area Program as the
4 NeighborWatch Area Program; setting the requirements for neighborhoods to participate in
5 the NeighborWatch Area Program; creating a Bmore Safe Places Board to implement the
6 NeighborWatch Area Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to post signs in
7 designated NeighborWatch Areas; and generally relating to the NeighborWatch Area
8 Program.

9 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

10 Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts
11 Section(s) 16-1 to 16-3, 16-6, 16-8, 16-9, and 16-12
12 Baltimore City Code
13 (Edition 2000)

14 BY redesignating

15 Article 14 - Special Benefits Districts
16 Subtitle 16. Public Safety Conservation Areas
17 to be
18 “Subtitle 16. Bmore Safe Places”
19 Baltimore City Code
20 (Edition 2000)

21 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the**
22 **Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:**

23 **Baltimore City Code**

24 **Article 14. Special Benefits Districts**

25 **SUBTITLE 16**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 **§ 16-3. Board established.**

2 (a) *In general.*

3 There is a [Baltimore Urban Lighting] BMORE SAFE PLACES Board.

4 (b) *Composition.*

5 The Board comprises the following [18] 21 members:

6 (1) [11] 14 members appointed by the Mayor in accordance with Article IV, § 6 of the
7 City Charter.[, of which:]

8 [(i) 1 must be a member of the Property Owners' Association of Greater
9 Baltimore, Inc.; and]

10 [(ii) 1 must be a member of the Greater Baltimore Committee.]

11 (2) 1 Councilmember appointed by the City Council President.

12 (3) The Police Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee.

13 (4) The Director of Recreation and Parks or the Director's designee.

14 (5) The Commissioner of Housing and Community Development or the
15 Commissioner's designee.

16 (6) The Director of Transportation or the Director's designee.

17 (7) The Director of Planning or the Director's designee.

18 (8) The Director of the Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice or the Director's designee.

19 **§ 16-6. General duties.**

20 The Board shall:

21 (1) publicize and promote the [Public Safety Conservation] NEIGHBORWATCH Area
22 Program established by this subtitle USING MATERIALS APPROVED BY THE BOARD;
23 [and]

24 (2) consider applications requesting designation of areas as [Public Safety Conservation]
25 NEIGHBORWATCH Areas; AND

26 (3) APPROVE THE DESIGN AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE SIGNS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
27 TRANSPORTATION MUST PROVIDE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 16-12(F) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

28 **§ 16-8. Rules and regulations.**

29 The Board shall adopt rules and regulations to:

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1 (b) *Private lighting confirmed.*

2 Private lighting will be confirmed.

3 (c) *Privately owned [trees] GREENERY.*

4 The City Forester will inspect [trees] GREENERY on private property and make
5 recommendations to the owners for trimming ANY PRIVATELY OWNED GREENERY WHICH
6 MIGHT INTERFERE WITH EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE LIGHTING OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

7 (d) *Publicly owned trees.*

8 The City Forester will trim all trees on public property that interfere with or decrease the
9 effectiveness of the street lighting.

10 (e) *Upgraded street lighting.*

11 Street lighting will be upgraded on a priority basis, using state-of-the-art technology to
12 achieve the most acceptable level of lighting at the most reasonable cost.

13 (F) *SIGNAGE.*

14 THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WILL POST AT LEAST ONE SIGN ON EACH
15 BLOCKFACE OF THE AREA, STATING THAT THIS BLOCK IS PART OF A NEIGHBORWATCH
16 AREA.

17 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
18 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
19 Ordinance.

20 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
21 after the date it is enacted.

McCauley, Katelyn

From: Sinha, Dhirendra
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:47 AM
To: McCauley, Katelyn
Subject: Sign fabrication and installation

Hi Katelyn,

The one week charges for the Sign Fabricator will be \$1138.60 and for 2 days for sign installer will be \$440.89. Please let me know if anything else is needed.

Thanks,

Dhirendra K. Sinha (DK)
Chief of Fiscal – Fiscal Division
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McCauley, Katelyn

From: Ching, Kenith
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 11:00 AM
To: McCauley, Katelyn
Cc: Taylor, Damonnen
Subject: FW: BMore Safe Space Signage
Attachments: 17-0168-1st Reader (1).pdf

I have read the attached and have no objections. However there should be a cost associated for fabrication and installation. The cost information would be from \$175.34 to \$196.34 per sign.

From: McCauley, Katelyn
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:50 AM
To: Ching, Kenith
Subject: BMore Safe Space Signage

Last page- (f) signage.

Also, any costs you think would be associated with this, ballpark, or cost per sign I will add to the report.

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