

CITY OF BALTIMORE

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May 11, 2018

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natwana Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 18-0212 – Bond Issue – School Loan - \$38,000,000.

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0212 (Bond Issue – School Loan - \$38,000,000) for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would authorize the Mayor and City Council to create a debt not exceeding \$38,000,000 (the “Debt”). The bill would authorize the Mayor and City Council to create a debt not exceeding \$38,000,000 (the “Debt”) for the purpose of the acquisition, by purchase, lease, condemnation or any other legal means, of land or property, or any rights therein, in the City of Baltimore, and demolishing, constructing and erecting on said land or property, or on any land or property now or hereafter owned by the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners and/or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, new school buildings, athletic and other auxiliary facilities including community health and recreation facilities, and for additions and improvements to, or the modernization or reconstruction of, including the inspection, removal, encapsulation, management, containment and abatement of asbestos from existing facilities, and for equipment for any and all new or existing facilities authorized by the provisions of this bill and for doing any and all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection with or pertaining to any or all of the matters or things hereinbefore mentioned.

The intent of the bill is to ensure that the Debt is created as a general obligation of the City, pursuant to Section 7 of Article XI of the Constitution of Maryland. The bill also contains provisions concerning the use of the funds, the issuance of the bonds, and other matters. After approval by the Mayor and City Council, the ordinance will be presented to the voters for approval on November 6, 2018.

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The Law Department approves Council Bill 18-0212 for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely, *elm*
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