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**COMMISSION FOR
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PRESERVATION**

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STAFF REPORT



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Director*

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REQUEST: Review and Response to City Council Bill: City Council Bill 18-0241: Urban Renewal-
Druid Heights- Amendment

RECOMMENDATION: CHAP has no objection to the amendment and defers to Planning.

STAFF: Stacy Montgomery

PETITIONER(S): Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Administration

SUMMARY: City Council Bill 18-0241 proposes to the Druid Heights Urban Renewal Plan to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area.

SITE/HISTORIC DISTRICT

The Druid Heights neighborhood is located in west Baltimore, centering on Druid Hill Avenue, and south of North Avenue. The neighborhood is located within the Old West Baltimore National Register Historic District. The Madison Park Baltimore City Historic District directly bounds the plan area to the east and the Upton's Marble Hill district is located to the south. Two Baltimore City Landmarks, Fire Engine Company No. 25 and Saint Katherine of Alexandria Protestant Church, are located in the plan area.

BACKGROUND

There are no previous Commission actions on this matter.

PROPOSAL

Bill 18-0241 Urban Renewal – Druid Heights – Amendment reauthorizes the plan's powers of acquisition, which must be reauthorized every four years. HCD is actively acquiring properties identified in the Urban Renewal Plan. No new properties are being added to the existing list, but those already acquired are being removed through the amendment.

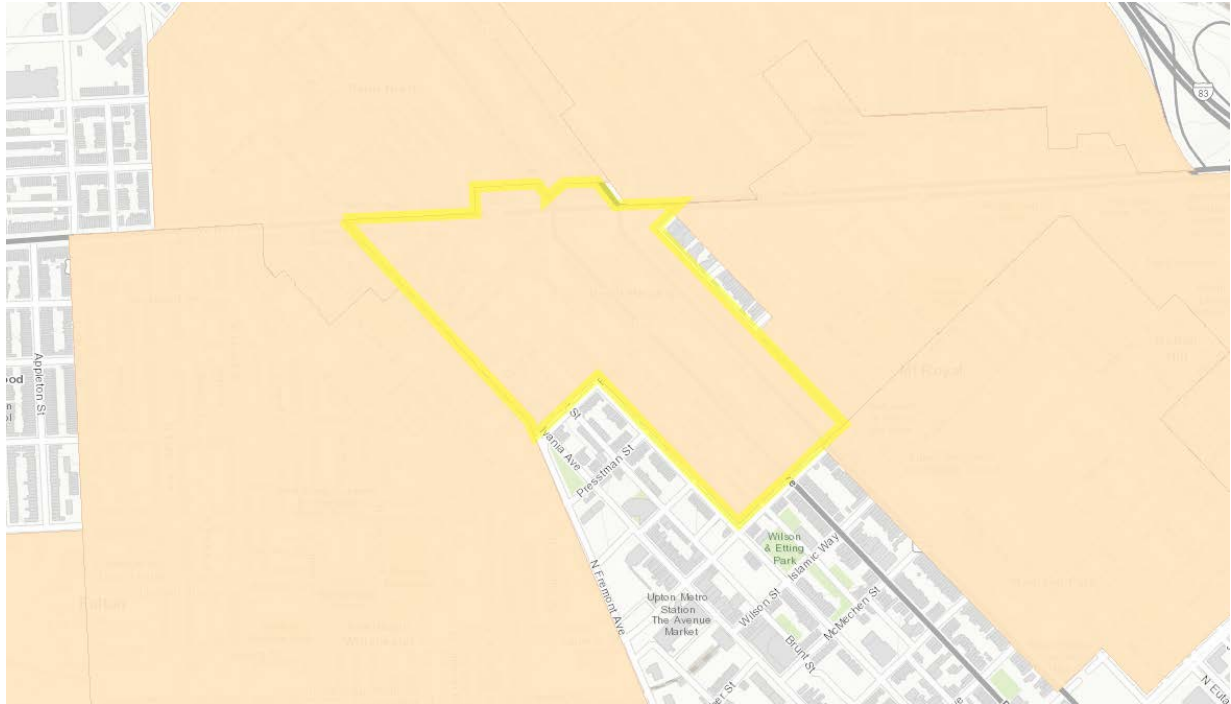
ANALYSIS

CHAP staff finds that the proposed amendments will have no impact on designated historic properties as the amendments address use and have no physical impact on locally designated historic resources.

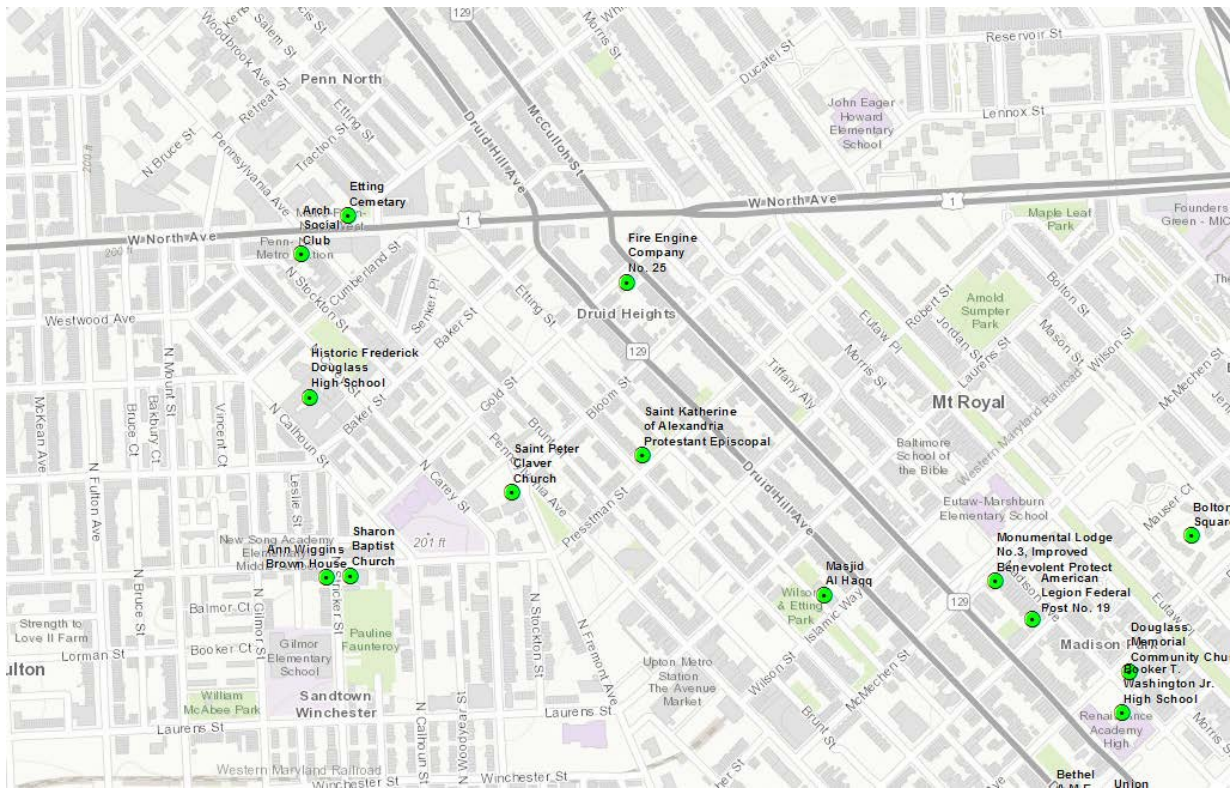
Staff recommends a finding of no objection and deferment to Planning.

**Eric Holcomb
Director**

MAPS & IMAGES



Urban Renewal Plan Boundaries (yellow outline)



Baltimore City Landmarks in area