

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 8, 2019

TO:

Land Use and Transportation Committee

FROM:

William H. Cole, President and CEO Claud

POSITION:

Support

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill 18-0305 – Rezoning – Certain Properties in the Harwood

Community

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 18-0305 introduced by Councilmembers Mary Pat Clarke and Robert Stokes.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this bill is changing the zoning for certain properties in the Harwood Community from the R-7 Zoning District to the C-1 Zoning District; certain properties from the R-8 Zoning District to the C-1 Zoning District; certain properties R-8 Zoning District to I-MU Zoning District; and for certain properties from R-7 Zoning District to the I-MU Zoning District.

BRIEF HISTORY

Pursuant to Objective 3.1 outlined in the Leveraging Investment in Neighborhood Corridors (LINCs) Implementation Strategy for Greenmount Avenue, which states "Make certain the proposed zoning allows for the type of development that makes a vibrant corridor." Strong City Baltimore, Central Baltimore Partnership and the Department of Planning worked with the Harwood Community to develop a plan for rezoning certain properties to facilitate revitalization. An East Harwood Land Use Visioning Workshop was held on November 29, 2017, and a draft plan was presented to the Harwood Community Association in April 2018. This is a community-led effort.

FISCAL IMPACT

NONE

AGENCY POSITION

BDC is in support of City Council Bill 18-0305.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or at kclark@baltimoredevelopment.com.

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