

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 18, 2019  
TO: Land Use and Transportation Committee  
FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO *C. Tarbert*  
POSITION: Support  
SUBJECT: City Council Bill 19-0399 - Rezoning - 755, 757, 759, 761, and 763 West Fayette Street, 760 West Baltimore Street, Block 0626, Lot 053 (k/a NWC Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and West Baltimore Street), and a Portion of the Former Bed of West Fairmount Avenue

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### INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 19-0399 introduced by President Scott at the request of University of Maryland Baltimore, UMB Health Sciences Research Park Corporation, and BioPark Fremont LLC.

### PURPOSE

For the rezoning of 755, 757, 759, 761, and 763 West Fayette Street, 760 West Baltimore Street, Block 0626, Lot 053 (k/a NWC Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and West Baltimore Street), and a Portion of the Former Bed of West Fairmount Avenue as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the BSC Zoning District.

### BRIEF HISTORY

The properties are located in the Poppleton neighborhood; the zoning around the subject properties are primarily R-8 and BSC Zoning Districts.

### FISCAL IMPACT

None

### AGENCY POSITION

The Baltimore Development Corporation **Supports** City Council Bill 19-0399. The rezoning of these properties to the Bio-Science Campus Zoning District designation are consistent with the goals and strategies contained in the Comprehensive Master Plan, which calls for the attraction and retention of business in bioscience as a way to promote economic growth for Baltimore City and its residents. The BSC Zoning is compatible with the continued, development of the BioPark. Furthermore, there are adequate residentially zoned properties available in the area that could accommodate future residential development needs.

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

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