

# **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 21, 2019

TO: Housing and Urban Affairs Committee

FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

**POSITION:** Support

RE: Council Bill 19-0434 - City Streets - Closing - Air Rights over a Portion of the

Public Right of Way of the 200 Block of North Broadway

### INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to review and respond to City Council Bill 19-0434 introduced by the Council President at the request of the Department of Transportation.

### **PURPOSE**

For the purpose of condemning and closing the air rights area over a portion of the public right of way of the 200 block of North Broadway; and providing for a special effective date.

## **BRIEF HISTORY**

This Bill is necessary for the development of a surface parking lot into a new facility for the Johns Hopkins Medical Campus, and supports larger revitalization efforts in East Baltimore. The design of the new facility requires encroachment into the air rights area over the public right of way.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

NONE

#### **AGENCY POSITION**

BDC is in support of City Council Bill #19-0434

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

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