

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 9, 2020 **TO:** Land Use Committee

FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

POSITION: Support

SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 20-0580

City Streets - Closing - A Portion of South Boston Street Extending from South

Haven Street

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to respond to City Council Bill 20-0580 introduced by Council President Scott.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Bill is to condemn and close a portion of Boston Street at the intersection of Boston Street and S. Haven Street.

BRIEF HISTORY

This area was once home to the Exxon Marketing Terminal, which for decades stored bulk petroleum products. Over the past thirty years, this area was environmentally remediated and redeveloped to accommodate a mix of commercial and residential uses. The westernmost portion of Boston Street to be closed currently houses a parking lot and will be made available to the adjacent property owner to support a private development project. The easternmost portion to be closed under a companion City Council Bill No. 20-0582, will be made available to the adjacent property owner to support continued private development.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

AGENCY POSITION

BDC supports City Council Bill 20-0580.

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

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