



MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Alice Kennedy, Acting Housing Commissioner *AK*

Date: October 20, 2020

Re: City Council Bill 20-0565 Urban Renewal - Park Heights - Amendment

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 20-0565 for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Park Heights to amend certain exhibits to reflect the change of zoning, upon approval by separate ordinance, for the properties known as 3215 West Belvedere Avenue (Block 4582, Lot 018), 3317-3323 West Belvedere Avenue (Block 4580, Lots 003, 004, 005), 5101-5103 Denmore Avenue (Block 4582, Lots 019 and 020), 5100 Denmore Avenue (Block 4580, Lot 001), and Block 4580, Lots 038 and 039-055; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

At its regular meeting of August 20, 2020, the Planning Commission concurred with its Planning Staff whom recommended amendment and approval of City Council Bill 20-0565. Planning Staff recommended that City Council Bill 20-0565 be amended to replace exhibits 4A through 4F with Zoning Maps that reflect the current zoning classifications of the City.

City Council Bill 20-0565 is a required amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan in order to accommodate the changes in zoning proposed by a companion piece of legislation, City Council Bill 20-0566, which if enacted, would rezone certain properties from the R-6 Zoning District to the OR-1 Zoning District. The Park Heights URP land use map and the zoning map amendments are set to be adopted only if the rezoning bill is also adopted.

DHCD **supports** the amendment and passage of City Council Bill 20-0565.

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cc: Mr. Blendy, Nicholas, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*

