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BILL SYNOPSIS

Committee: Taxation, Finance and Economic Development

Bill 20-0583

Sale of Property – Variable Width Portion of Boston Street

Sponsor: President Brandon Scott on behalf of the Administration

Introduced: August 17, 2020

Purpose:

For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as a variable width portion of Boston Street from a point 723.60 feet Westerly from the west side of South Haven Street and extending Westerly 524 feet, more or less to the east side of South Conkling Street, 60 feet wide and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

Effective: Date of enactment

Agency Reports

	20-0581	20-0583
City Solicitor	Favorable	Favorable
Department of Planning		
Department of Housing and Community Development		
Department of Transportation		
Department of Real Estate	Favorable	Favorable
Department of Finance	Favorable	Favorable

Analysis

Current Law:

Article V – Comptroller, Section 5(b); Baltimore City Charter (1996 Edition)

Background

If enacted, Bill 20-0581 and 20-0583 would allow the City of Baltimore to sell all its interest in a bed of land that was once the home of an Exxon Marketing Terminal where petroleum products were stored. This property encompasses a portion of Boston Street, east of South Conkling Street, and west of South Haven Street, both are located across from The Shops at Canton Crossing shopping center. Over the past 30 years, this area was environmentally remediated and redeveloped to accommodate a mix of commercial and residential uses. This sale will allow the property owner adjacent to this location to purchase and develop both the easternmost and westernmost portions of this property to support a private development project.

The Department of Finance does not anticipate that there will be any financial impact. This area is no longer needed for public use and does not impact any park property, or right of way. No property owner should be negatively affected by this action.

Additional Information

Fiscal Note: Not Available

Information Source(s): Agency Reports

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