

CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 21-0162
(First Reader)

Introduced by: Councilmember Porter
Introduced and read first time: October 4, 2021
Assigned to: Economic and Community Development Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Housing and Community Development, Baltimore Development Corporation, Department of Public Works, Department of Transportation, Planning Commission, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Urban Renewal – Brooklyn-Curtis Bay –**
3 **Amendment __**

4 FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay to extend the
5 time the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay remains in full force and effect;
6 amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay to reauthorize the acquisition of
7 properties within the Project Area and to extend the life of the Plan; waiving certain content
8 and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing
9 for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and
10 providing for a special effective date.

11 BY authority of
12 Article 13 - Housing and Urban Renewal
13 Section 2-6
14 Baltimore City Code
15 (Edition 2000)

16 **Recitals**

17 The Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay was originally approved by the Mayor and
18 City Council of Baltimore by Ordinance 84-077 and last amended by Ordinance 11-568.

19 An amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay is necessary to extend
20 the time the Brooklyn-Curtis Bay Business Area Urban Renewal Plan remains in full force and
21 effect from the date the Renewal Plan is last amended by the Mayor and City Council.

22 An amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay is necessary to
23 reauthorize the Plan’s powers of acquisition and condemnation so that these actions may legally
24 continue, in compliance with § 12-105.1 of the Real Property Article of the Annotated Code of
25 Maryland, and to extend the life of the Plan.

26 Under Article 13, § 2-6 of the Baltimore City Code, no change may be made in any approved

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

1 renewal plan unless the change is approved in the same manner as that required for the approval
2 of a renewal plan.

3 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
4 following change in the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-Curtis Bay is approved:

5 Section E of the Plan is amended to read as follows:

6 **E. DURATION OF PROVISIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

7 The Brooklyn-Curtis Bay Business Area Urban Renewal Plan, as it may be
8 amended from time to time, remains in full force and effect [for a period of 10
9 years from the date the Renewal Plan is last amended by the Mayor and City
10 Council of Baltimore] THROUGH AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 5, 2022.

11 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the Urban Renewal Plan for Brooklyn-
12 Curtis Bay, as amended by this Ordinance and identified as “Urban Renewal Plan, Brooklyn-
13 Curtis Bay, revised to include Amendment __, dated _____”, is approved. The
14 Department of Planning shall file a copy of the amended Urban Renewal Plan with the
15 Department of Legislative Reference as a permanent public record, available for public
16 inspection and information.

17 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That if the amended Urban Renewal Plan
18 approved by this Ordinance in any way fails to meet the statutory requirements for the content of
19 a renewal plan or for the procedures for the preparation, adoption, and approval of a renewal
20 plan, those requirements are waived and the amended Urban Renewal Plan approved by this
21 Ordinance is exempted from them.

22 **SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That if any provision of this Ordinance or the
23 application of this Ordinance to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the
24 invalidity does not affect any other provision or any other application of this Ordinance, and for
25 this purpose the provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

26 **SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That if a provision of this Ordinance concerns
27 the same subject as a provision of any zoning, building, electrical, plumbing, health, fire, or
28 safety law or regulation, the applicable provisions shall be construed to give effect to each.
29 However, if the provisions are found to be in irreconcilable conflict, the one that establishes the
30 higher standard for the protection of the public health and safety prevails. If a provision of this
31 Ordinance is found to be in conflict with an existing provision of any other law or regulation that
32 establishes a lower standard for the protection of the public health and safety, the provision of
33 this Ordinance prevails and the other conflicting provision is repealed to the extent of the
34 conflict.

35 **SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is
36 enacted.