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INTRODUCTORY\*

CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL

Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Public Works)  
A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning  
**City Streets - Closing - Oakhill Avenue**

FOR the purpose of condemning and closing Oakhill Avenue, extending from 20th Street, Northerly 90.0 feet, more or less, to the south side of a 15-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as 800 through 928 East 20th Street, as shown on Plat 190-A-27 in the Office of the Department of Public Works; and providing for a special effective date.

BY authority of  
Article I - General Provisions  
Section 4  
and  
Article II - General Powers  
Sections 2, 34, 35  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Department of Public Works shall proceed to condemn and close Oakhill Avenue, extending from 20th Street, Northerly 90.0 feet, more or less, to the south side of a 15-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as 800 through 928 East 20th Street, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning for Parcel No. 1 at the point formed by the intersection of the north side of 20th Street, 66 feet wide, and the west side of Oakhill Avenue, varying in width, and running thence binding on the west side of said Oakhill Avenue, Northerly 90.0 feet, more or less. to intersect the south side of a 15-foot alley, laid out in the rear of the properties known as Nos. 800 through 928 E. 20th Street; thence binding on the south side of said 15-foot alley, Easterly 58.4 feet, more or less, to intersect the east side of said Oakhill Avenue; thence binding on the east side of said Oakhill Avenue, Southerly 90.0 feet, more or less, to intersect the north side of said 20th Street, and thence binding on the north side of said 20th Street, Westerly 59.3 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning.

As delineated on Plat 190-A-27, prepared by the Survey Control Section and filed on January 26, 2009 in the Office of the Department of Public Works.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the proceedings for the condemnation and closing of Oakhill Avenue and the rights of all interested parties shall be regulated by and in accordance with all applicable provisions of state and local law and with all applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Director of Public Works and filed with the Department of Legislative Reference.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That after the closing under this Ordinance, all subsurface structures and appurtenances now owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore continue to be the property of the Mayor and City Council, in fee simple, until their use has been abandoned by the Mayor and City Council. If any person wants to remove, alter, or interfere with them, that person must first obtain permission from the Mayor and City Council and, in the application for this permission, must agree to pay all costs and expenses, of every kind, arising out of the removal, alteration, or interference.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That no building or structure of any kind (including but not limited to railroad tracks) may be constructed or erected in or on any part of the street closed under this Ordinance until all subsurface structures and appurtenances owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore have been abandoned by the Mayor and City Council or, at the expense of the person seeking to erect the building or structure, have been removed and relaid in accordance with the specifications and under the direction of the Director of Public Works of Baltimore City.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That after the closing under this Ordinance, all subsurface structures and appurtenances owned by any person other than the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be removed by and at the expense of their owners, promptly upon notice to do so from the Director of Public Works.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That at all times after the closing under this Ordinance, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, acting by or through its authorized representatives, shall have access to the subject property and to all subsurface structures and appurtenances used by the Mayor and City Council, for the purpose of inspecting, maintaining, repairing, altering, relocating, or replacing any of them, without need to obtain permission from or pay compensation to the owner of the property.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.

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