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Introductory*

City of Baltimore Council Bill R (Resolution)

Introduced by: President Young

A Resolution Entitled

A Council Resolution concerning **Baltimore City Comprehensive Economic Development Projects Briefing**

For the purpose of requesting that the Director of the Department of Planning, the Head of the Capital Improvement Program in the Department of Planning, the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Vice President of Baltimore Development Corporation, the Director of the Department of Transportation, the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Director of the Department of General Services, and the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks provide a comprehensive and detailed briefing on each of his or her agency's economic development projects and on each project's supporting financial resources and incentives, for the projects that are and will be occurring in each of the 14 City Council Districts.

Recitals

The economic health of our City depends on a strong economic development strategy that includes new projects, which are publically or privately funded, and the construction and maintenance of municipal infrastructure. In the City's decision to help finance these projects, what are the criteria that determine project priorities? With a number of supporting financial resources and incentives, such as Enterprise zones, Focus Areas, RISE zones, Opportunity Zones, Payments in Lieu of Taxes, and Taxation Increment Financing, what is the criteria for determining what financial incentives are offered by the City to private sector economic development projects? Does there exist in Baltimore City an online resource that would provide comprehensive information, including a map, that would make the City's economic development projects transparent?

When each agency provides its detailed briefing, the agency is requested to provide an assessment as to how its projects are prioritized, categorized, monitored, made transparent, and assessed for flexibility.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Baltimore City Council requests the Director of the Department of Planning, the Head of the Capital Improvement Program in the Department of Planning, the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Vice President of Baltimore Development Corporation, the Director of the Department of Transportation, the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Director of the Department of General Services, and the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to provide a comprehensive and detailed briefing on each of his or her agency's economic development projects

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And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Director of the Department of Planning, the Head of the Capital Improvement Program in the Department of Planning, the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Vice President of Baltimore Development Corporation, the Director of the Department of Transportation, the Director of the Department of Public Works, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Director of the Department of General Services, the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the Baltimore City Council.