



CITY OF BALTIMORE
MAYOR BRANDON M. SCOTT

TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Veronica P. McBeth, Director, Department of Transportation
CC	Mayor's Office of Government Relations
DATE	December 19, 2025
SUBJECT	25-0133 • City Streets – Opening – North Vincent Street, Forney Street, and a 2 Foot Alley

Position: Favorable

BILL SYNOPSIS

Council Bill 25-0133 would open a portion of land abutting Falls Road, adding it to the public right of way. This action would transfer ownership of the land from “ancient owners” to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. (Please note: This process of opening and subsequently closing a right of way is typically used in cases where the right of way may have been fully or properly dedicated, meaning that undefined “ancient” persons may own tiny portions of the right of way in question.) The opening on this piece of land would allow for the subsequent closing of this right of way through a related bill, Council Bill 25-0134.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

This right of way is not needed by DOT; its opening and subsequent closing will allow for a parcel to be created and sold to the abutting property owner, facilitating local development. As such, the Department requests a favorable report on Council Bill 25-0133.