Memorandum

To: Chairman Mendelson, All Councilmembers
From: Councilmember Vincent C. Gray
Date: Monday, July 27, 2020
Subject: Notice of Moving an Amendment to the ANS for Bill 23-0760, the “Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020”, for the July 28, 2020 Legislative Meeting

This memorandum serves as notice of moving an Amendment to the ANS for Bill 23-0760, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020.

- Gray Amendment #5 to the ANS for Bill 23-0760, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020 (Document named “High-need affordable housing area BSA ANS Amendment 7-28-20”).

This amendment would amend language to Title II, Subtitle G of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020 (ANS), which contains the Tax Abatements for Affordable Housing in High-Need Areas Amendment Act of 2020, to include the Far Northeast and Southeast planning area as an area eligible for the tax abatements for affordable housing. This planning area includes Ward 7.

The amendment is attached. I would appreciate your support. If you have any questions about this legislation, please contact Terrance Norflis, Legislative Director, at tnorflis@dccouncil.us or 202-724-8068.
AN AMENDMENT

#5

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Date: Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Offered By: Councilmember Vincent C. Gray

Title: Bill 23-760, the “Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020” (FY21 BSA) and the Fiscal Year 2020 Emergency Act of 2020.

Version: ___ Introduced
___ Draft Committee Print
___ Committee Print
___ First Reading
___ Amended First Reading
___ Engrossed
___ Enrolled
X ANS

Title II, Subtitle G, subsection (b) is amended by amending the amendatory new section 47-860 (g)(6), the definition for “High-need affordable housing area” as follows:

Strike the phrase “plus 1,000 feet in any direction beyond any of those 4 planning area boundaries.” and insert the phrase “plus 1,000 feet in any direction beyond any of those 4 planning area boundaries, and the Far Northeast and Southeast planning area.” in its place.

(new language in bold)

Explanation and Rationale:

This amendment would amend language to Title II, Subtitle G of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020 (ANS), which contains the Tax Abatements for Affordable Housing in High-Need Areas Amendment Act of 2020, to include the Far Northeast and Southeast planning area as an area eligible for the tax abatements for affordable housing. This planning area includes Ward 7. This is consistent with efforts to bring more workforce housing to Ward 7.
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
   Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jennifer Budoff, Budget Director

DATE: July 27, 2020

SHORT TITLE: B23-0760, the “Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Act of 2020”

TYPE: Amendment

REQUESTED BY: Councilmember Vincent C. Gray

Conclusion
This amendment will not have an adverse impact on the District’s budget and financial plan because the costs associated with implementing this legislation are included in the FY21 Budget and Financial Plan.

Background
This measure would amend Title II, Subtitle G: High-Need Affordable Housing Area by the Far Northeast and Southeast planning areas to the list of eligible areas.
MEMORANDUM

TO:        Councilmember Vincent C. Gray

FROM:      Nicole L. Streeter, General Counsel

DATE:      July 27, 2020

RE:        Legal sufficiency determination for amendment #5 to Bill 23-760, the Fiscal Year Budget Support Act of 2020, and the Fiscal Year Budget Support Emergency Act of 2020

The measure is legally and technically sufficient for Council consideration.

The measure amends the budget support legislation to amend the Tax Abatements for Affordable Housing,\(^1\) which amends Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to add a new section 47-860 that provides a tax abatement for affordable housing in high-need affordable housing areas. The measure amends the definition of high-need affordable housing area to include the Far Northeast and Southeast Planning Area.\(^2\)

I am available if you have any questions.

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\(^1\) Title II, Subtitle G.
\(^2\) An area element in the comprehensive plan, in Ward 7.