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June 24, 2010

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 10-0563 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of Finance).

The purpose of the Bill is to provide a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$833,000 to the Department of Public Works (Program 662 – Vacant/Abandoned Property Cleaning and Boarding) to provide funding to pay for additional operating expenses in Fiscal Year 2011.

Due to difficult economic conditions, the Fiscal 2011 Board of Estimates Recommended Budget reduced or eliminated operations funded by General Funds and Motor Vehicle Revenues. For the Department of Public Works Bureau of Solid Waste, services, positions and equipment were reduced in the street and alley cleaning, street sweeping, and graffiti removal operations. Eliminated completely were the Middle Branch cleaning contract, business district cleaning, the household hazardous waste days, and curbside bulk trash collection. The Supplementary Appropriation Bill 10-0531, approved by the Council at their June 21, 2010 meeting, will restore bulk trash curbside service to our citizens in the coming fiscal year.

City Council Bill 10-0563, if approved, would provide an additional \$833,000 to the Department of Public Works FY 2011 Solid Waste Budget for Vacant/Abandoned Property Cleaning and Boarding services. Restoration of these funds will allow crews to address cleaning and boarding calls to FY 2010 levels.

The Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 10-0563.

David E. Scott, P.E.

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