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FROM	NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #14-0438/ SALE OF PROPERTY – FORMER BED OF A PORTION OF OLD HAWKINS POINT ROAD BETWEEN CURTIS CREEK AND PENNINGTON AVENUE

CITY of
BALTIMORE
MEMO



TO

DATE: October 16, 2014

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

At its regular meeting of October 16 2014, the Planning Commission considered CCB #14-0438, for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of a portion of Old Hawkins Point Road, extending from Pennington Avenue to the waters of Curtis Creek and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

In its consideration of this Bill, the Planning Commission reviewed the attached staff report, which recommended approval of City Council Bill #14-0438 and adopted the following resolution; eight members being present (eight in favor).

RESOLVED, That the Planning Commission concurs with the recommendation of its departmental staff, and recommends that City Council Bill #14-0438 be passed by the City Council.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wolde Ararsa, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-4488.

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Attachment

- cc: Ms. Kalliope Parthemos, Chief of Staff
- Mr. Colin Tarbert, Deputy Mayor for Economic and Neighborhood Development
- Mr. Leon Pinkett, Assistant Deputy Mayor for Economic and Neighborhood Development
- Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor’s Office
- The Honorable Rochelle “Rikki” Spector, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
- Mr. David Tanner, BMZA
- Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
- Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD
- Ms. Barbara Zektick, DOT
- Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.
- Ms. Natawna Austin, Council Services
- Mr. Henry Raymond, Finance Dept.
- Mr. Steve Sharkey, DGS
- Ms. Caroline Hecker, Esq.

10. CITY COUNCIL BILL #14-0437/ CITY STREETS – CLOSING – A PORTION OF OLD HAWKINS POINT ROAD BETWEEN CURTIS CREEK AND PENNINGTON AVENUE (City Council President – Administration)

For the purpose of condemning and closing a portion of Old Hawkins Point Road between Pennington Avenue and the waters of Curtis Creek, as shown on Plat 204-A-28A in the Office of the Department of General Services; and providing for a special effective date. (Tenth District)

This portion of Old Hawkins Point Road was abandoned and replaced by Hawkins Point Road. The proposed street closing area is occupied by a street bed that has deteriorated over time. Hale Trailer Brake and Wheel, the tenant of Jenstar of Baltimore, LLC, occupies the site just south of the proposed street closing and wishes to purchase the former street bed property and consolidate it with its property to expand the existing business.

This request for street closing was presented to Planning Commission on February 21, 2008. At that meeting, the Commission recommended approval of that street closing, which is no longer needed for public use. This bill is before the Commission again because the original bill was delayed due to negotiations between the City and property owner to swap land. Agreements between the City and owner are now in place and the City wishes to proceed with the closure and sale of the street.

Recommendation: Approval

11. CITY COUNCIL BILL #14-0438/SALE OF PROPERTY – FORMER BED OF A PORTION OF OLD HAWKINS POINT ROAD BETWEEN CURTIS CREEK AND PENNINGTON AVENUE (City Council President – Administration)

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This sales ordinance will allow the disposition and sale of the subject property, which is no longer needed for public purpose. The applicant owns the property south of the proposed street closing. Interstate-695 abuts the street to the north. This portion of Old Hawkins Point Road is not needed to provide access to adjacent properties and thus is no longer needed for public purposes, can be closed, declared surplus right-of-way, and sold.

Recommendation: Approval

12. CIP TRANSFERS