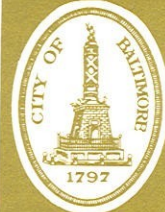


FROM	NAME & TITLE	Alfred H. Foxx, Director	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 08-0158		

TO

DATE: October 23, 2008

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 No. 08-0158.

Urban Renewal – Park Heights-Urban Renewal Designation and Urban Renewal Plan and the amendments suggested by the Planning Department.

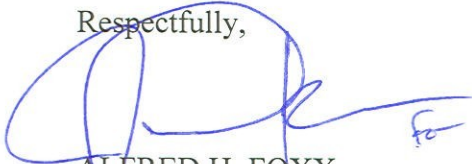
For the purpose of repealing the existing Park Heights Urban Renewal Plan and replacing it by designating as a “Renewal Area” an area situated in Baltimore City, Maryland known as Park Heights, bounded generally by Druid Park Drive on the south, Wabash Avenue on the west, Northern Parkway on the north, and Greenspring Avenue on the east; approving a Renewal Plan for Park Heights; establishing the objectives of the Plan; establishing permitted land uses in the Renewal Area; providing that where there may be a conflict between the provisions of the Renewal Plan and the provisions of any Planned Unit Development, the provisions of the Planned Unit Development control; authorizing the acquisition by purchase or by condemnation of any properties needed for urban renewal purposes; providing that the Department of Housing and Community Development may demolish, sell, or lease acquired properties; creating disposition lots and providing for controls on specific lots; providing that streets and alleys within the disposition lots may be sold in whole or in part consistent with the redevelopment of the lots; providing that scattered City-owned sites within the Renewal Area may be sold or leased for development or rehabilitation; providing that properties identified as “Public” may not be sold; providing for review by the Department of Housing and Community Development of development or rehabilitation plans in the Renewal Area with respect to their conformance with the provisions of the Renewal Plan; providing that the provisions of the Zoning Code apply to the properties in the Project Area; providing for the term of the Plan; establishing procedures for amending the Plan; approving appendices and exhibits to the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; and providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances.



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The Department of Transportation is pleased to support the bill and its recognition of transit oriented development opportunities in the areas adjacent to the Coldspring and Rogers Avenue Metro Stations. The Department of Transportation applauds the Plan for the attention shown to the pedestrian environment by creating wide sidewalks, adding street trees and street furniture. We look forward to working on the design and configuration of the streets that will serve the area.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alfred H. Foxx', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

ALFRED H. FOXX
DIRECTOR

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cc: Ms. Angela C. Gibson
Mr. Anthony P. Wallnofer, Jr.
Mr. Bill Driscoll
Mr. Jamie Kendrick

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