


MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable President and Members of the City Council
Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM: M. J. Brodie, President 

DATE: August 28, 2009

SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 09-0387
Zoning - Conditional Uses – Suspension, Revocation, etc.

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to review and comment on City Council Bill No. 09-0387, entitled Zoning – Conditional Uses – Suspension, Revocation, etc. The Bill would authorize various actions which the Zoning Board and/or the City Council could take for failure to comply with conditions imposed on a conditional use, provide for automatic lapse of a conditional use that has been discontinued for a certain period of time, authorize granting a conditional use subject to a time limit and periodic renewal, and imposing and enforcing conditions, restrictions and limitations on conditional uses.

Upon review of the subject Bill, BDC is in agreement with the intent and provisions contained therein, which provide added ability on the part of the Board and City Council to control and/or eliminate conditional uses which constitute a nuisance or negative impact in the community or fail to comply with conditions that were placed upon the conditional use when approved. Further, the Bill provides for a clear process for the attempt to resolve violations of conditions imposed on a conditional use, notification requirements and actions open to the Board upon continued violations.

For the above reasons, BDC expresses its support of Bill No. 09-0387 and recommends your favorable consideration of same.

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