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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0087		

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

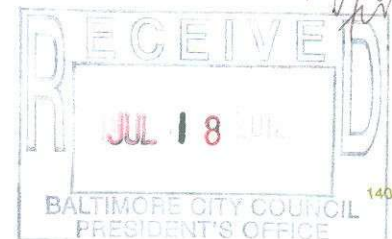
I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 12-0087 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Baltimore Development Corporation).

The purpose of the Bill is to provide for the issuance of special obligation bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed \$35,000,000 for the purpose of financing public and other infrastructure improvements; provide for the method and sources of payment for these special obligation bonds or notes; authorize the Board of Finance to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for and approve the details, forms, documents or procedures in connection with the special obligation bonds or notes and any other matters necessary or desirable in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale and payment of these special obligation bonds or notes; and generally relating to the issuance and payment of special obligation bonds or notes.

Article II Section 62 of the Baltimore City Charter (Tax Increment Financing Act) authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to establish a development district and a special tax increment fund. Ordinance 03-642 established the North Locust Point Development District and the district was later expanded under Ordinance 11-533. The district includes the former Proctor and Gamble soap factory properties which were converted into a Class A office complex known as Tide Point, together with adjoining roads, highways, alleys, rights-of-way and similar property. One of the key tenants, Under Armour, purchased the complex. Revenues and receipts from the real property taxes representing the levy on the tax increment within the district are deposited in a special tax increment fund for development of the district. Issuing and selling bonds are allowed, and the fund is used to leverage investment in infrastructure and in acquisition of land for infrastructure improvements.

Ordinance 04-851 authorized the issuance of special obligation bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 to provide funds for the development of public and other infrastructure improvements in and in the vicinity of the development district. The City did issue special obligation bonds for the district in an aggregate principal amount of \$2,977,000. City Council Bill 12-0087, if approved, would increase the maximum amount of special obligation bonds or notes that could be issued to \$35,000,000.

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The Department of Public Works defers to the Departments of Finance and Law on City Council Bill 12-0087.



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