

## IEMORANDU

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PAULT, GRAZIANO,

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen/Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

September 23, 2011

Re:

City Council Bill 10-0626 - Sale of Property - 3600 Old York Road

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0626, which was introduced for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property that is located at 3906 Old York Road and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

This bill authorizes the sale of the subject property, an unimproved parcel of land that has been maintained by the adjacent property owner, Saint James Free Baptist Church. The subject property is listed on the HCD's Vacants to Value list and, as such, HCD supports this legislation as long as disposition follows all guidelines, policies and procedures as set forth in the Vacants to Value program.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 10-0626 with condition contained the above-noted proviso concerning the disposition following Vacants to Value guidelines.

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CC:

Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

