October 14, 2015

The Honorable President and Members
 of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> Re: City Council Bill 15-0569– Naming an Unnamed Alley Harry Way

Dear Madame President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 05-0569 for form and legal sufficiency. This bill seeks to name an unnamed alley located between the 500 block of South Clinton Street and the 500 block of South Highland Avenue. The alley would be named Harry Way.

The City has the power to name this alley under Article 26, Section 7-3 of the Baltimore City Code. That Section requires the ordinance proposing the name be referred to, and reviewed by, the Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Commission for Historic and Architectural Preservation (CHAP). The section further provides that "no further action shall be taken by the City Council" on the bill "pending the receipt" of the reports from DPW and CHAP.

This bill has been referred to the Planning Commission (Planning), the Department of Transportation (DOT), CHAP, and the Law Department. Although this bill has not been referred to DPW, its referral to the Department of Transportation satisfies the Code requirement since the power to name streets was transferred to DOT per Resolution 14-016, which was ratified on Nov. 4, 2014. A prior Resolution (08-003), ratified November 4, 2008, transferred DPW's power to rename streets to DGS. Assuming receipt of favorable reports from CHAP and DOT, the Law Department would approve this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

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