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FROM	NAME & TITLE	THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR	CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO	
	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 417 E. FAYETTE STREET, 8 th FLOOR		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #11-0700 / CITY STREETS- RENAMING NORTH HOLLIDAY STREET TO WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER WAY		

TO

The Honorable President and
 Members of the City Council
 City Hall, Room 400
 100 N. Holliday Street

DATE:

June 3, 2011

At its regular meeting of June 2, 2011 the Planning Commission considered City Council Bill #11-0700, which is for the purpose of changing the name of North Holliday Street to William Donald Schaefer Way.

In its consideration of this Bill, the Planning Commission reviewed the attached staff report which recommended the approval of City Council Bill #11-0700 and adopted the following resolution, seven members being present (six in favor and one abstain).

RESOLVED, That the Planning Commission concurs with the recommendation of its departmental staff, and recommends that City Council Bill #11-0700 be passed by the City Council.

If you have questions, please contact Mr. Wolde Ararsa, Division Chief of Land Use and Urban Design Division, at 410-396-4488.

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Attachment

- cc: Ms. Kaliopé Parthemos, Deputy Mayor
 Mr. Peter O'Malley, Chief of Staff
 Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office
 The Honorable Bill Henry, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
 Mr. David Tanner, BMZA
 Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
 Ms. Nikol Nabors-Jackson, DHCD
 Ms. Karen Randle, Council Services
 Mr. Larry Greene, Council Services



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PLANNING COMMISSION

Wilbur E. "Bill" Cunningham, Chairman



Thomas J. Stosur
Director

STAFF REPORT

June 2, 2011

REQUEST: City Council Bill #11-0700/ City Streets – Renaming North Holliday Street to William Donald Schaefer Way

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

STAFF: Melvin Hicks

PETITIONERS: Councilmembers - D'Adamo, Branch, Holton, Stokes, Welch, Spector, Middleton, Clarke, President Young, Councilmembers Curran, Reisinger

OWNER: Mayor and City Council of Baltimore

SITE/GENERAL AREA

Site Conditions: North Holliday Street is a functioning city street that is several blocks long. It is between Hillen Street to the north and Baltimore Street to the south. The lower portion of North Holliday Street, between Lexington and Fayette Streets, is not used for through vehicular traffic. However, it used for pedestrian traffic and for drop-offs and temporary parking.

General Area: North Holliday Street is located in downtown Baltimore, in the Central Business District Urban Renewal Plan. City Hall, the Abel Wolman Municipal Building, the Peale Museum, and the War Memorial Park, all front onto North Holliday Street.

HISTORY

There are no previous legislative or Planning Commission actions regarding this site.

CONFORMITY TO PLANS

This action is consistent with the City of Baltimore's Comprehensive Master Plan, with respect to the enhancement of Baltimore's history and culture.

ANALYSIS

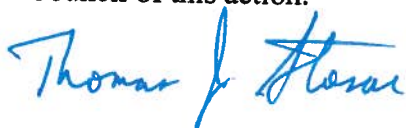
William Donald Schaefer was born in Baltimore, Maryland on November 2, 1921. He grew up in the Edmonson Village neighborhood of Baltimore City. He received early education in Baltimore's public schools, and later graduated from Baltimore City College in 1939. Mr. Schaefer received an LL.B. degree from the University of Baltimore-School of Law in 1942 and an LL.M. in 1954. When the United States entered World War II, Mr. Schaefer joined the

United States Army and achieved officer rank. He remained in the U.S. Army Reserves until 1979, when he retired with the rank of colonel.

Mr. Schaefer's political career started as a member of the Baltimore City Council and included becoming the President of the City Council, the Mayor of Baltimore, and the Governor and then Comptroller of the State of Maryland. He is remembered not only for his accomplishments, such as the redevelopment of the Inner Harbor and for the National Aquarium in Baltimore, but also for the City Fair and the many festivals that brought residents of all neighborhoods together where they could see that they were all part of the larger community that is our city. He inspired people to want to live in Baltimore, to want to make it a better and cleaner place, to want to give service to their communities.

William Donald Scaheafer died at the age of 89 on April 18, 2011. He will always be remembered for his love for the job of being Mayor and whose tireless efforts to improve the conditions of our city and its people made a difference. He dedicated his life to helping others because he cared tremendously about the citizens of Baltimore and the state of Maryland. Therefore, a staff concurs with the members of City Council and also feels that it would be a fitting tribute to rename North Holliday Street to William Donald Schaefer Way. Thus staff recommends the passage of CCB #11-0700.

Staff notified Baltimore Development Corporation, Downtown Partnership and the City Council of this action.



Thomas J. Stosur
Director