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	Subject	City Council Bill 10-0582 Sale of Property-Former Beds of Newgate Avenue and Vail Street		

**To:** Honorable President and Members  
of the City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary  
Room 409 – City Hall

**Date:** September 16, 2010

As requested, the Department of Real Estate has reviewed the subject bill, which if approved, would authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain parcels of land known as the former beds of (1) Newgate Ave, extending from New Vail Street Easterly 1,150.0 feet, more or less, to Vail Street and (2) Vail Street, extending from Newgate Avenue Northerly 825.0 feet, more or less, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

City Council Bill 10-0582 and its companion Bill 10-0581 would authorize the closure and then sale of a 1,510 foot portion of Newgate Avenue and a 825 foot portion of Vail Street in close proximity to where both street cross at an intersection. These particular streets serve as an integral part of the interior circulation network that serves the Seagirt Marine Terminal.

The Maryland Transportation Authority and Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, adjoining property owners, consented to the closures. In exchange for the closing and conveyance to the State of these portions of rights-of-way, the State agreed to construct and maintain a new access road and bridge structure called New Vail Street, and to grant a perpetual easement to its use by the public. The new access facilities are built and in use.

Based on these findings, the Department of Real Estate supports the passage of City Council Bill 10-0582.

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CC: Ms. Angela C. Gibson

