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| | SUBJECT | City Council Bill #09-0297 – Sale of Property – Former Bed of Oakhill Avenue |

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DATE: April 15, 2009

TO

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
Room 400, City Hall

Attention: Ms. Karen Randle

City Council Bill #09-0297 has been 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 parcel of land known as the former bed of Oakhill Avenue, extending from 20th Street, Northerly 90.0 feet, more or less, to a 15-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as 800 through 928 East 20th Street and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The subject property is located between property owned by the Blazing Star Pentecostal Church of Christ at 800 and 900 East 20th Street. This property is of interest to the church, which is planning to build a new church on its East 20th Street properties. The acquisition of the Oakhill Avenue property would enable the church to consolidate adjacent property that it currently owns for use as a parking lot for their parishioners. Companion legislation (CB #09-0296) allows for the opening and closing of this portion of Oakhill Street. The Department of Public Works has reported that language to protect City utility interests is not included in this bill. The Department of Public Works has recommended the addition of language to correct this oversight.

Based on these findings and subject to the passage of the above mentioned companion legislation, the Department of Finance has no objection to the passage of Council Bill 09-0297.

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No obj. comment

