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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 417 E. FAYETTE STREET, 8 TH FLOOR		
	SUBJECT	CCB # 08-0042 – DISCLOSURES ON SALE OR LEASE		

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

DATE: November 24, 2008

The Department of Planning has received City Council Bill No. 08-0042 for review. This legislation is “for the purpose of that requiring certain disclosures in the sale or lease of residential properties; defining certain terms; increasing certain penalties; imposing certain other penalties; correcting, clarifying, and conforming certain language; and generally relating to the sale or lease of residential property.”

The purpose of this proposed legislation is to provide disclosure information for the sale and/or lease of residential properties. This disclosure information would include zoning, landmark status, whether the property resides within an urban renewal area or a Planned Unit Development, and others. This proposed legislation will help purchasers with information regarding land use and other requirements that may impact the use of the properties that they intend to purchase. Thus, the Department of Planning views CCB #08-0042 as being a beneficial consumer protection measure for residential property buyers. Therefore, the Department of Planning recommends approval of City Council Bill #08-0042.

In addition, The Department of Planning suggests that the proposed legislation be reviewed by the Department of Finance to see if its implementation will have a fiscal impact upon the City.

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

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