CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 07-0592 (First Reader)

Introduced by: Councilmembers Clarke, Curran, Harris, Young, Conaway, Mitchell

Introduced and read first time: February 12, 2007 Assigned to: Urban Affairs and Aging Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Baltimore Development Corporation, Department of Recreation and Parks, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning Urban Renewal - Coldstream Homestead Montebello -2 Amendment 3 FOR the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello to 4 authorize the acquisition by purchase or by condemnation of certain properties for urban 5 renewal purposes, amend Appendix A and revise certain exhibits to reflect the changes in the 6 Plan, transfer administrative and other authority over the Plan from the Department of 7 Housing and Community Development to the Department of Planning, delete certain 8 regulations, controls, and restrictions from the Plan, repeal Appendix B and replace it with 9 new Appendix B, require that redevelopment of land acquired for clearance and 10 redevelopment is subject to the provisions of new Appendix B, clarify, correct, and conform 11 certain language, and correct certain references; waiving certain content and procedural 12 requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the 13 application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for 14 a special effective date. 15 By authority of 16 Article 13 - Housing and Urban Renewal 17 Section 2-6 18 Baltimore City Code 19 (Edition 2000) 20 Recitals 21 The Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello was originally approved by 22 the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by Ordinance 77-289 and last amended by Ordinance 23 01-177. 24 An amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homesteam Montebello is 25 necessary to authorize the acquisition by purchase or by condemnation of certain properties for 26 urban renewal purposes, amend Appendix A and revise certain exhibits to reflect the changes in 27 the Plan, transfer administrative and other authority over the Plan from the Department of 28

Housing and Community Development to the Department of Planning, delete certain regulations,

1 2 3	controls, and restrictions from the Plan, repeal Appendix B and replace it with new Appendix B; require that redevelopment of land acquired for clearance and redevelopment is subject to the provisions of new Appendix B, and correct certain references.
4 5 6	Under Article 13, § 2-6 of the Baltimore City Code, no substantial change may be made in any approved renewal plan unless the change is approved in the same manner as that required for the approval of a renewal plan.
7 8 9	SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE , That the following changes in the Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello are approved:
10	(1) In the Plan, amend B.2.a.(1)(a) to read as follows:
11 12 13 14	(a) No buildings, structure, or parking area shall be constructed over an easement within the Project Area without the prior consent of the DIRECTOR OF PLANNING [Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development] and the Director of Public Works.
15	(2) In the Plan, delete B.2.a.(1)(c) and B.2.a.(1)(f).
16	(3) In the Plan, amend B.2.a.(5) to read as follows:
17	(5) Provisions applicable to land to be acquired for clearance and redevelopment.
18 19 20	(A) Disposition Lots 1 and 2 – The use of these lots shall be public. Only play equipment, benches, trash containers, water fountains and other facilities necessary or appropriate for park and playground use shall be permitted.
21 22 23	(B) REDEVELOPMENT OF LAND ACQUIRED FOR CLEARANCE AND REDEVELOPMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE DESIGN GUIDELINES CONTAINED HEREIN.
24	(4) In the Plan, amend B.2.b.(2) and (3) to read as follows:
25	(2) Review of Plans for New Construction, Exterior Rehabilitation, or Change In Use
26 27	All plans for new construction (including parking lots), exterior rehabilitation or change in use on any property not to be acquired under the provisions of this Plan
28	shall be submitted to the Department of [Housing and Community Development]
29	PLANNING for review. Only upon finding that the proposed plans are consistent
30	with the objectives of the urban renewal plan, shall the [Commissioner of the
31	Department of Housing and Community Development] DEPARTMENT OF
32	PLANNING authorize the processing of the plans for issuance of a building permit.
33 34	The provisions of this section are in addition to and not in lieu of all other applicable laws and ordinances relating to new construction.
35	(3) Demolition
26	All applications for damplition parmits shall be submitted to the Danatus at of
36 37	All applications for demolition permits shall be submitted to the Department of Planning [Housing and Community Development] for review and approval.
38	Upon finding that the proposed demolition is consistent with the objectives of the
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1	urban renewal plan, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and
2	Community Development shall authorize the issuance of the necessary permit. If
3	the DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING [Commissioner] finds that the proposal is
4	inconsistent with the objectives of the urban renewal plan and therefore denies the
5	issuance of the permit, [he] THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
6	DEVELOPMENT shall within 90 days of such denial, seek approval of the Board of
7	Estimates to acquire for and on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of
8	Baltimore the property, in whole or in part, on which [said] THE demolition was to
9	have occurred by purchase, lease, condemnation, gift or other legal means for the
10	renovation, rehabilitation and disposition thereof. In the event that the Board of
11	Estimates does not authorize the acquisition, the Commissioner shall, without
12	delay, issue the demolition permit.
13	(5) In the Plan, amend C.1. to read as follows:
14	1. Acquisition
15	A Property Acquisition Map, which designates those properties to be acquired, is
16	attached as Exhibit No. 2. Scattered properties to be acquired and disposed of for
17	rehabilitation AND THOSE PROPERTIES TO BE ACQUIRED AND DISPOSED OF FOR
18	CLEARANCE AND REDEVELOPMENT are listed in Appendix A.
19	(6) In the Plan, amend C.2.a.(2nd paragraph) and b. to read as follows:
20	a. Property Rehabilitation Standards
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22	Rehabilitation within the [Harford Road Commercial] URBAN RENEWAL Area
23	shall comply with the standards contained in Appendix B of this Plan entitled
24	"[Non-Residential Property Rehabilitation – Harford Road Commercial Area]
25	Design Guidelines".
26	b. Designs for all building improvements, modifications, repair, rehabilitation or
27	painting of the exterior of the existing buildings, their yards or show windows,
28	and for all signs, shall be submitted to and approved by the Department of
29	PLANNING [Housing and Community Development] before proceeding with the
30	work.
31	(7) In the Plan, amend C.4.a. and b. to read as follows:
32	4. Review of Development
33	a. Department of Housing and Community Development and the DEPARTMENT
34	of Planning Review
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35	The [Department] DEPARTMENTS of Housing and Community Development
36	AND PLANNING specifically [reserves] RESERVE the right to review and
37	approve the Redeveloper's plans and specifications for development or
38	rehabilitation with respect to their conformance with the provisions of the
39	[renewal plan] RENEWAL PLAN and in order to achieve harmonious

development of the [project area] PROJECT AREA. The [Department] DEPARTMENTS also [reserves] RESERVE the right to refuse to approve any [such] drawings, plans or specifications that are not suitable or desirable, in [its] THEIR opinion, for aesthetic or functional reasons, and, in so passing upon [such] THE drawings, plans and specifications, [it] THEY shall have the right to take into consideration, but shall not be limited to, the suitability of the site plan, architectural treatment, building plans, elevations, materials and color, construction details, access, parking, loading, landscaping, identification signs, exterior lighting, refuse collection details, streets, sidewalks and the harmony of the plans with the surroundings.

Under the provisions of Section B.2.b.(2), the [Department] DEPARTMENTS of Housing and Community Development AND PLANNING [has] HAVE the right to review all plans for new construction, exterior rehabilitation, change in use, or demolition of any property not to be acquired.

The [Department] Departments of Housing and Community Development and Planning will fully utilize [its Design Advisory Panel] the Urban Design and Architectural Review Panel (UDARP) to work with developers in the achievement of high quality site, building, and landscape design.

b. Community Review

- (1) The Department of [Housing and Community Development] PLANNING shall submit to the Coldstream Homestead Montebello Community Corporation, or its successor, for its review and comment the form and content of all proposals to redevelop land to be disposed of. The Coldstream Homestead Montebello Community Corporation, or its successor, shall advise the Department of [Housing and Community Development] PLANNING of its recommendations regarding the acceptability and priority of all proposals. The written comments shall be transmitted to the Department of Planning and subsequently to the DEPARTMENT OF Housing and Community Development no later than 3 weeks after the proposals have been submitted to the Coldstream Homestead Montebello Community Corporation, or its successor; otherwise, it is presumed that the proposals are acceptable. The Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, however, retains the final authority with respect to granting or withholding development priorities and shall dispose of redevelopment land through procedures established by the Department.
- (2) The Department of [Housing and Community Development] Planning shall submit to the Coldstream Homestead Montebello Community Corporation, or its successor, for its review and comment, the Preliminary Plans and the Proposed Final Construction Plans for each disposition lot designated in this Plan. The written comments and recommendations from this review shall be transmitted to the Department of Planning and Subsequently to the Department of Housing and Community Development no later than [three] 3 weeks after the plans have been submitted to the [said] Coldstream Homestead Montebello Community

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2	Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community
3	Development retains final authority to approve or disapprove all plans.
4	(3) Additional requirements regarding Community Review of plans and
5	permits for THE URBAN RENEWAL [the Harford Road commercial] Area
6	may be found Appendix B of this Plan.
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7	(8) In the Plan, amend D.2. to read as follows:
8	2. Zoning
9	All appropriate provisions of the Zoning [Ordinance] CODE of Baltimore City
10	shall apply to properties in the Coldstream Homestead Montebello Project Area.
11	Any change in the Zoning [Ordinance] Code embodied in this Urban Renewal
12	Plan and designated on Exhibit 4, Zoning Districts, shall be approved by
13	ordinance in accordance with the procedural requirements of the Zoning
14	[Ordinance] Code and Article 66-B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957)
15	Edition, as amended).
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16	(9) Amend Appendix A to read as follows:
17	Appendix A
18	Properties for Acquisition & Disposition for Residential Rehabilitation
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3	$2036 \text{ E. } 30^{\text{th}} \text{ Street}$
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19	$1806 \text{ E. } 32^{\text{nd}} \text{ Street}$
20	$2039 \text{ E. } 32^{\text{nd}} \text{ Street}$
21	1631 E. 33 rd Street
22	1557 Abbotston Street
23	1612 Carswell Street plus adjoining lot - Lot 5A, Block 4130 - described as
24	on the northeast side of Carswell Street 240 feet northwest of Polk
25	Street
26	[1643 Carswell Street]
27	1701 Carswell Street
28	1634 Chilton Street
29	1647 Chilton Street
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31	1820 Chilton Street
32	2558 Garrett Avenue
33	2636 Garrett Avenue
34	2658 Harford Road
35	2724 Harford Road
36	2732 Harford Road
37	2812 Harford Road
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10 11 12	(10) Repeal Appendix B Non-Residential Property Rehabilitation Harford Road Commercial Area and replace it with new Appendix B Design Guidelines, which reads as follows:
13	APPENDIX B
14	Design Guidelines
15	Purpose:
16 17 18 19 20 21	These design guidelines were developed as a tool to support the principles and goals of the Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello (CHM) Area Master Plan, which was approved by the City of Baltimore Planning Commission on April 20, 2006. They are meant to ensure sensible and harmonious design in both rehabilitation and new construction. These guidelines are, therefore, designed to ensure that all new investment in the neighborhood will contribute to the overall quality of the area.
22	GENERAL PRINCIPLES:
23 24 25 26 27	THE CHM AREA MASTER PLAN CALLS FOR THE CREATION AND PROMOTION OF CHM AS A THRIVING, SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY THAT CAPITALIZES ON ITS GREAT HOUSING, GREAT VIEWS, AND OPEN SPACES. AS CHANGES ARE MADE TO THE COMMUNITY, THEY SHOULD IMPACT THE COMMUNITY IN A POSITIVE MANNER BASED ON THE FOLLOWING DESIGN GUIDELINES AND PRINCIPLES:
28 29	• Rehabilitation should be consistent with the original character of the house or building and the other structures on the street;
30 31	• Buildings should be embellished in a manner consistent with the character of the district;
32 33	Buildings should enclose the block, reinforcing traditional block patterns and enhancing the urban character of streets and open spaces;
34 35 36	 New buildings must be designed to enhance the public realm, with emphasis on well-defined, properly oriented pedestrian entrances and well composed and articulated facades; and
37 38	• Alleys shall be intimate well designed spaces for service needs, reinforcing the primary public role of the streets.

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

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- ROOF TOP EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE SHIELDED FROM STREET VIEWS WITH SCREENING THAT
 IS INTEGRAL TO THE BUILDING FACADE AND DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE ROOF TOP
 SCREENING.
- Where visible, utilities should be painted to blend into the background.
 - ANCILLARY STRUCTURES, SUCH AS TRASH ENCLOSURES, ARE TO BE INTEGRATED INTO THE LANDSCAPE AND SCREENED FROM PUBLIC VIEW WITH SHRUBS, HEDGES, FENCES, WALLS OR A COMBINATION OF THOSE ELEMENTS. TRASH ENCLOSURES AND SCREENING SHOULD BLEND IN WITH THE LANDSCAPE AND SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT. TRASH ENCLOSURES ARE NOT ALLOWED IN FRONT OR SIDE YARDS.
 - MECHANICAL UNITS, SUCH AS AIR CONDITIONING AND SIMILAR OTHER MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, SHOULD ALSO BE SCREENED FROM PUBLIC VIEW USING SIMILAR METHODS.
 - MOBILITY IMPAIRED RAMPS: WHEN MOBILITY IMPAIRED RAMPS ARE NECESSARY, THEY SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE BACK OR SIDE OF A RESIDENCE. SIDE RAMPS THAT ARE VISIBLE FROM THE STREET SHOULD INCORPORATE THE SAME ARCHITECTURAL VOCABULARY AS FRONT PORCHES. TWO SETS OF RAILS SHOULD BE PROVIDED A GRAB RAIL PARALLEL TO THE RAMP TO ASSIST THE USER AND A LEVEL HANDRAIL TO RELATE THE ADDITION TO ITS CONTEXT.

REHABILITATION GUIDELINES:

FRONT AND SIDE WALLS

- Original brick walls shall be retained. Unpainted brick should remain so. When repairing and/or repointing brick walls, every effort should be made to use the least abrasive method possible and to duplicate the original style and color of mortar and replacement brick.
- Painting formstone is permitted and encouraged.
 - VINYL SIDING, STUCCO, EXPOSED CONCRETE BLOCK, AND EXPOSED PRESSURE TREATED WOOD ARE NOT APPROPRIATE MATERIALS FOR BUILDING FRONTS. FACADES THAT ARE NOT READILY VISIBLE FROM THE STREET MAY BE COVERED IN STUCCO OR FIBER CEMENT BOARD.

30 CORNICES

- CORNICE SHAPE, SIZE, PROFILE AND DETAILS SUCH AS DENTILS, BRACKETS, MODILLIONS, SHOULD BE RETAINED. REPLACEMENT DETAILS SHOULD MATCH THE ORIGINAL DESIGN AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE.
- VINYL OR ALUMINUM SIDING SHOULD NOT COVER THE CORNICE.

FRONT, SIDE AND REAR YARD FENCING

- REAR YARD FENCING FACING AN ALLEY FOR PRIVACY OR SCREENING IS PERMITTED IN
 REAR YARDS TO A MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF 72 INCHES. IT MAY BE OPAQUE TO A MAXIMUM
 HEIGHT OF 48 INCHES. THE TOP 24 INCHES MUST INCORPORATE A CHANGE IN
 ARTICULATION AND HAVE A TRANSPARENCY OF 30% OR GREATER WHEN FACING PUBLIC
 SPACES. ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS INCLUDE HIGH QUALITY WOOD, VINYL, PLASTIC WOOD
 COMPOSITE (I.E. TREX), AND MASONRY COMPATIBLE WITH THE ARCHITECTURAL
 GUIDELINES CONTAINED HEREIN. STOCKADE FENCING IS NOT PERMITTED.
- PAINT OR STAIN COLORS FOR REAR YARD FENCING SHOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE COLOR OF THE BUILDING TO WHICH IT IS ATTACHED, AS WELL AS WITH SURROUNDING BUILDINGS AND FENCES.
 - FRONT YARD FENCING MAY BE NO HIGHER THAN 48 INCHES. CHAIN LINK FENCING IS NOT ALLOWED.

ADDITIONS OR GARAGES

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• Additions and garages visible from any street must be designed to be compatible with the architecture of the existing residence through the same or similar incorporation of materials. Garages shall be accessed from the rear alley.

WINDOWS AND DOORS

- RETAINING ORIGINAL WINDOWS, DOORS, AND STAINED GLASS TRANSOMS IS ENCOURAGED.
- Replacement windows and doors must be sized to fit the original opening.
- The style of replacement windows should be compatible with the original window style where possible or to other houses in the row.

PORCHES, STEPS, AND FRONT YARDS

- 25 Porches define many of the houses in the area. The elements foundations, steps,
- 26 COLUMNS, RAILING, AND ROOFLINE CREATE CONSISTENCY AND ARCHITECTURAL HARMONY FOR
- 27 EACH ROW.
- WHEN REPLACING PORCHFRONT ELEMENTS, MATCH THE ORIGINAL ELEMENTS OF THE ROW
 AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE. T-1-11 PANELING, PLYWOOD, VINYL AND ALUMINUM SIDING,
 CINDERBLOCK, LATTICE, AND EXPOSED PRESSURE-TREATED WOODEN STEPS, COLUMNS,
 AND RAILINGS ARE DISCOURAGED.
- FOUNDATIONS OF ASHLAR STONE SHOULD BE REPAIRED AND REPOINTED WITH MATCHING MORTAR AND MORTAR JOINTS.
- Front Porches Should Remain Open.
- ORIGINAL PORCHES SHOULD BE RETAINED AND NOT BE FILLED IN WITH OPAQUE MATERIALS.

1 2	 PORCH POSTS AND RAILINGS SHOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE ORIGINAL APPEARANCE AND OTHER HOUSES IN THE ROW. 	3
3	• Steps should be oriented in the same manner as other houses in the row.	
4 5	• Replacement steps should be stone, brick or concrete, not pressure treated wood.)
6 7	• Front yards should be landscaped with plant material; cement slabs covering the front yard area are not allowed.	
8	New Construction Residential Guidelines:	
9	BUILDING FORM AND PLACEMENT	
10	• All residential buildings are to face the street.	
11 12 13	 BUILDING SETBACKS SHALL FOLLOW THE HISTORIC SETBACK PATTERN OF THE STREET O ALLOW ADEQUATE SPACE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL STOOP, STEPS, AND PLANTINGS, AS WELL STREET TREES. 	
14	• MID-BLOCK GAPS ARE NOT PERMITTED WITHIN A ROW OF TOWNHOUSES.	
15	BUILDING HEIGHT	
16	• The maximum height for all single-family houses is 45 feet.	
17	PARKING	
18	• All parking and servicing shall be accessed from rear alleys.	
19 20	• AT LEAST ONE OFF-STREET SPACE PER UNIT SHALL BE PROVIDED. ALL PARKING MUST BE ACCOMMODATED ON THE PROPERTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNIT.	BE
21	CURB-CUT AND SERVICING	
22 23	• ALL CURB CUTS SHALL BE DESIGNED TO MINIMIZE IMPACT ON THE PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT.	
24 25 26	 SERVICING AREAS, SUCH AS DUMPSTERS, MUST BE INTERNAL TO THE BLOCKS AND ACCESSED THROUGH ALLEYS AND NOT THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS. TRASH COLLECTION SHOULD BE ACCOMMODATED ON ALLEYS WHERE POSSIBLE. 	ł
27	Roofs	
28	The roofline of buildings should be compatible with other houses in the row	V.
29 30	• FRONT BUILDING WALLS SHOULD END WITH ORIGINAL CORNICES OR NEW CORNICES CONSISTENT WITH THE SCALE AND DESIGN OF OTHER HOUSES IN THE ROW.	

1 2	• Roof decks, where permitted, should be set back from the front of the house and be as inconspicuous as possible.
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4 5	• Front entry doors should face the street or public open space. Front entry doors should be distinctive to enhance building facades.
6 7	• A minimum of 30% of the linear horizontal dimension of the facade of each floor shall be windows or openings.
8 9	• Openings: If residential buildings are designed in a traditional style, openings must be vertical in proportion and consistent with nearby historic styles.
10	Walls
11	• Front facades of attached houses must be made of brick.
12 13	BRICK COLORS SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH BALTIMORE TRADITIONS IN A STANDARD MODULAR SIZE.
14	Garages
15 16 17	• Garages visible from any street must be designed to be compatible with the architecture of the accompanying residence through the same or similar incorporation of materials. Garages shall be accessed from the rear alley.
18	Non-Residential Guidelines:
19 20 21	Over and above the codes and ordinances of the city of baltimore, the following additional standards shall be applied to all non-residential properties, whether occupied or vacant.
22 23	Commercial rehabilitation objectives are essential to rehabilitating non-residential buildings in the Coldstream Homestead Montebello Area so as to:
24 25	 Relate the diverse building types and create a visually identifiable commercial area along Harford Road.
26 27	• Preserve original facade and design characteristics of parts of buildings visible from the public streets.
28 29	• Ensure that commercial properties do not negatively impact the adjacent residential neighborhood.
30	BUILDING FACADES
31 32 33 34	• ALL DEFECTIVE AND DETERIORATED STRUCTURAL AND DECORATIVE ELEMENTS OF BUILDING FRONTS AND SIDES, INCLUDING STOREFRONTS, CORNICES, AND PORCHES, SHALL BE REPAIRED OR REPLACED IN A WORKMANLIKE MANNER. ORIGINAL MATERIALS SHOULD BE USED WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

1	•	ALL BRICK WALLS AND NATURAL STONE WALLS SHALL BE KEPT CLEAN, REPAIRED, AND
2		REPOINTED AS REQUIRED. CLEANING OF MASONRY FACADES BY MEANS OF SANDBLASTING
3		SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED. BRICK WALLS THAT ARE NOT PAINTED SHALL REMAIN
4		UNPAINTED. PAINTED BRICK WALLS SHALL BE PAINTED A COLOR THAT IS COMPATIBLE
5		WITH THE COLORS OF THE NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES.

- No new formstone, stucco, metal or wood siding, or exterior finishes shall be permitted over brick wall surfaces. All such existing siding and finishes that are defective over 10 percent of their area shall be repaired. If an existing covering is more than 50 percent defective, it shall be removed and the walls behind them must be restored.
- EXISTING METAL SIDING THAT IS UNDAMAGED, STRUCTURALLY SOUND, AND PERMISSIBLE UNDER THE BALTIMORE CITY BUILDING CODE MAY BE RETAINED.
- ALL METAL SIDING THAT REMAINS SHALL BE KEPT CLEAN, IN A STATE OF GOOD REPAIR, AND IN A COLOR COMPATIBLE WITH THE COLORS OF THE NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES.
- ALL MISCELLANEOUS ELEMENTS ON THE EXTERIOR WALLS OF THE STRUCTURES, SUCH AS
 EMPTY ELECTRICAL BOXES, CONDUITS, PIPES, UNUSED SIGN BRACKETS, ETC., SHALL BE
 REMOVED.
- Side walls shall be finished in a manner that is harmonious with the front of the building.

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- New Storefronts that project beyond the original property line of the commercial properties are not permitted.
- Show windows, entrances, signs, lighting, sun protection, security grilles, etc. shall be compatible, harmonious, and consistent with the original scale and character of the structures.
 - ENCLOSURES AND HOUSING FOR SECURITY GRILLES AND SCREENS SHALL BE AS
 INCONSPICUOUS AS POSSIBLE AND COMPATIBLE WITH OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE FACADE.
 CREATIVE AND CUSTOM SECURITY GRILLES THAT APPEAR MORE LIKE ART THAN SECURITY
 DEVICES ARE ENCOURAGED.
 - ALL EXPOSED PORTIONS OF THE GRILLE, SCREEN, OR ENCLOSURE THAT ARE NORMALLY PAINTED, AND ALL PORTIONS THAT REQUIRE PAINTING TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, OR RENOVATE THE SURFACE SHALL BE PAINTED.
- Solid or Permanently enclosed or covered storefronts shall not be permitted.
- Show windows shall not be painted for advertising purposes but may be painted with lettering for authorized identification of the place of business.
 - SOFT AWNINGS ARE PERMITTED. ALUMINUM AWNINGS ARE NOT PERMITTED.

• ENCLOSURE OF PORCH FRONTS TO DEVELOP NEW STOREFRONTS IS NOT PERMITTED AFTER

2	THE DATE OF THE ENACTMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE.
3	• Conversion of basements under porches into storefronts is not permitted.
4	Windows
5	ALL WINDOW OPENINGS SHALL HAVE THE SAME HEIGHTS AND WIDTH THEY DID AT THE TIME THAT
6	THE WALL IN WHICH THE OPENINGS ARE LOCATED WAS ORIGINALLY BUILT. FILLING IN THESE
7	OPENINGS AT THE TOP, BOTTOM, OR SIDES IS NOT PERMITTED. THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL
8	REQUIREMENTS SHALL APPLY:
9	• ALL WINDOWS MUST BE TIGHT-FITTING AND HAVE SASHES OF PROPER SIZE AND DESIGN.
10	SASHES WITH ROTTEN WOOD, BROKEN JOINTS, OR LOOSE MULLIONS OR MUNTINS SHALL BE
11	REPAIRED OR REPLACED WITH GLASS OR OTHER APPROVED TRANSPARENT MATERIAL, AND
12	ALL EXPOSED WOOD SHALL BE REPAIRED AND PAINTED.
13	WINDOW OPENINGS IN UPPER FLOORS OF THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING SHALL NOT BE
14	FILLED OR BOARDED UP ON THE EXTERIOR. WINDOWS IN UNUSED AREA OF THE UPPER
15	FLOORS MAY BE BACKED BY A SOLID SURFACE ON THE INSIDE OF THE GLASS. WINDOW
16	PANES SHALL NOT BE PAINTED.
17	WINDOW OPENINGS IN SIDES OF BUILDINGS THAT ARE FILLED OR BOARDED ON THE DATE
18	of enactment of this Ordinance are permitted to remain for a period of 1 year.
19	During this period, the filled or boarded openings shall be treated in a
20	MANNER THAT IS COMPATIBLE AND HARMONIOUS WITH THE FACADE IN WHICH THEY ARE
21	LOCATED AND SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN GOOD CONDITION.
22	Parking
23	It is important to minimize the impact of parking structures on the character of
24	PEDESTRIAN SPACES AND STREETS, WHILE PROVIDING FOR SUFFICIENT AND CONVENIENT PARKING
25	FOR RESIDENCES AND BUSINESSES.
26	• No surface parking lots for 12 or more vehicles shall be permitted.
27	SIGN GUIDELINES
28	ALL SIGNS MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ZONING CODE OF BALTIMORE CITY. IN ADDITION,
29	THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS APPLY:
30	ALL SIGNS SHALL BE DESIGNED TO BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE SURROUNDING
31	NEIGHBORHOODS AND WITH THE SIGNAGE SYSTEM AND TEMPLATES DEVELOPED FOR EACH
32	INDIVIDUAL BUILDING DESIGN.
33	When existing signs are removed, any holes or other damage shall be patched
34	AND PAINTED AS NECESSARY TO MATCH THE EXISTING WALL SURFACE, AND ALL UNUSED

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BRACKETS AND CONDUITS SHALL BE REMOVED.

1	•	ALL LIGHTING AND ELECTRICAL ELEMENTS, SUCH AS WIRES, CONDUITS, JUNCTION BOXES,
2		TRANSFORMERS, BALLASTS, SWITCHES, AND PANEL BOXES, MUST BE CONCEALED FROM
3		VIEW.

• FLASHING, BACKLIT, OR MOVING SIGNS ARE NOT PERMITTED. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE BARBER POLES.

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- The total area of signs for a building facade may not exceed 2 square feet per linear foot of building frontage. This total area includes window signs, awning signs, logos, product signs, temporary signs, or any other signage. However, no sign identifying a building occupied by a single user may exceed 100 square feet. No sign identifying individual tenants in a multi-tenant building may exceed 25 square feet. All building signs must be mounted flat against the surface of the building to which it is attached.
- Signs shall not be placed so as to obstruct windows, storefronts, or cornices.
- IN NO CASE SHALL A SIGN EXTEND ABOVE THE ROOF LINE.
 - Any sign placed above the first floor of a building will be subject to the approval of the Department of Planning.

18 FLAT SIGNS:

• FLAT SIGNS SHALL BE PLACED PARALLEL TO THE BUILDING FACE AND SHALL NOT PROJECT MORE THAN 12 INCHES FROM THE SURFACE OF THE BUILDING.

21 PAINTED SIGNS AND CUTOUT LETTERS:

• PAINTED SIGNS ON BUILDING SURFACES OR USE OF SEPARATE CUTOUT LETTERS SHALL BE PERMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE LIMITS FOR FLAT SIGNS.

24 Projecting Signs (Blades):

- PROJECTING SIGNS SHALL NOT BE EXTENDED MORE THAN 5 FEET BEYOND THE BUILDING SURFACE.
- All signs shall be of a solid, durable material, double-faced with a maximum thickness of 6 inches.

FLAGS AND BANNERS

- FLAGS AND BANNERS MAY BE DISPLAYED ON A TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT BASIS, SUBJECT TO
- 31 OBTAINING THE NECESSARY MINOR PRIVILEGE PERMIT, SO LONG AS THE BANNER MATERIAL IS NOT
- 32 FADED, TORN, OR FRAYED, AND THE POLES ARE WELL MAINTAINED. BANNERS MAY BE DISPLAYED
- 33 ONLY FROM BUILDINGS AT LEAST 2 STORIES HIGH AND MAY NOT BE LESS THAN 10 FEET ABOVE
- 34 THE SIDEWALK. ALL BANNER POLES ALONG ONE STREET SHOULD BE SET AT THE SAME ANGLE
- 35 FROM THE HORIZONTAL PLANE. BANNERS MAY PROJECT UP TO ⅓ THE WIDTH OF THE SIDEWALK,

- 1 BUT NOT MORE THAN 5 FEET, WHICHEVER IS GREATER. PROVISIONS FOR FLAGS AND BANNERS
- 2 MUST OTHERWISE CONFORM TO THE PROVISIONS OF CITY CODES.
- 3 SECONDARY SIGNS
- 4 SECONDARY SIGNS ON UPPER FLOORS OF A BUILDING SHALL NOT EXCEED 3 SQUARE FEET IN AREA
- 5 AND SHALL NOT PROJECT MORE THAN 1 INCH BEYOND THE SURFACE OF THE BUILDING, NOR SHALL
- 6 THEY BE PLACED HIGHER THAN AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SECOND STORY WINDOW.
- 7 Secondary signs on the lower floors of porch front buildings shall not exceed 24
- 8 SQUARE FEET IN AREA AND SHALL NOT PROJECT MORE THAN 1 INCH BEYOND THE SURFACE OF THE
- 9 BUILDING, NOR SHALL THEY BE PLACED HIGHER THAN THE BOTTOM OF THE PORCH RAILING
- 10 ABOVE.
- PAINTED SIGNS ON BUILDING SURFACES OR USE OF SEPARATE CUTOUT LETTERS SHALL BE
- 12 PERMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE LIMITS FOR FLAT SIGNS.
- FUTURE MINOR PRIVILEGE PERMITS FOR SIGNS SHALL BE ISSUED ONLY FOR THOSE SIGNS MEETING
- 14 PROJECT DESIGN CRITERIA.
- 15 Roofs

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- CHIMNEYS OR ANY OTHER AUXILIARY STRUCTURES ON ROOFS SHALL BE KEPT CLEAN AND IN GOOD REPAIR.
- ROOF MOUNTED STRUCTURES FOR THE SUPPORT OF SIGNS, BILLBOARDS, ETC. ARE NOT PERMITTED.
- ANY MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT PLACED ON A ROOF SHALL BE SO LOCATED AS TO BE
 HIDDEN FROM VIEW AND TO BE AS INCONSPICUOUS AS POSSIBLE FROM OTHER VIEWPOINTS.
- OTHERWISE, SUCH EQUIPMENT SHALL BE SCREENED WITH SUITABLE ELEMENTS OF A
- 23 PERMANENT NATURE AND FINISH. WHERE SUCH SCREENING IS UNFEASIBLE, EQUIPMENT
- 24 SHALL BE INSTALLED IN A NEAT, PRESENTABLE MANNER, AND SHALL BE PAINTED SO AS TO
- 25 MINIMIZE ITS VISIBILITY.
- 26 **COMPLIANCE**
- NO ALTERATION OR IMPROVEMENT WORK SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN THAT DOES NOT CONFORM
- 28 WITH THE REQUIREMENTS HEREIN UNLESS THE REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN WAIVED BY THE
- 29 COMMISSIONER.
- 30 **DESIGN REVIEW AND APPROVAL**
- DESIGNS FOR ALL BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS, MODIFICATIONS, REPAIR, REHABILITATION, OR
- 32 PAINTING CONCERNING THE EXTERIOR OF THE EXISTING BUILDINGS, THEIR SHOW WINDOWS, AND
- 53 FOR ALL SIGNS, SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
- 34 AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING. APPROVAL BY THE
- 35 DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING SHALL BE REQUIRED BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THE WORK.
- THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND/OR THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 37 PLANNING SHALL SUBMIT TO THE COLDSTREAM HOMESTEAD MONTEBELLO COMMUNITY

1	Corporation, or its successor or its assignee for its review and comment, the form
2	AND CONTENT OF ALL PLANS AND PROPOSALS TO REDEVELOP LAND, ALL PROPERTY
3	REHABILITATION PLANS, AND ALL WORK AND OCCUPANCY PERMITS. THE COLDSTREAM
4	HOMESTEAD MONTEBELLO COMMUNITY CORPORATION OR ITS SUCCESSOR OR ITS ASSIGNEE,
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6	ACCEPTABILITY AND/OR PRIORITY OF ALL PLANS, PROPOSALS, AND PERMITS. THE COMMISSIONER
7	OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RETAINS THE FINAL
8	AUTHORITY TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE ALL PLANS AND/OR PERMITS AND TO GRANT OR
9	WITHHOLD DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES, DISPOSING OF REDEVELOPMENT LAND THROUGH
10	PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

(11) In the Plan, revise Exhibit 2, "Property Acquisition", and Exhibit 3, "Land Disposition", to reflect the changes in the Plan.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the Urban Renewal Plan for Coldstream Homestead Montebello, as amended by this Ordinance and identified as "Urban Renewal Plan, Coldstream Homestead Montebello, revised to include Amendment _, dated February 12, 2007", is approved. The Department of Planning shall file a copy of the amended Urban Renewal Plan with the Department of Legislative Reference as a permanent public record, available for public inspection and information.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That if the amended Urban Renewal Plan approved by this Ordinance in any way fails to meet the statutory requirements for the content of a renewal plan or for the procedures for the preparation, adoption, and approval of a renewal plan, those requirements are waived and the amended Urban Renewal Plan approved by this Ordinance is exempted from them.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That if any provision of this Ordinance or the application of this Ordinance to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the invalidity does not affect any other provision or any other application of this Ordinance, and for this purpose the provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That if a provision of this Ordinance concerns the same subject as a provision of any zoning, building, electrical, plumbing, health, fire, or safety law or regulation, the applicable provisions shall be construed to give effect to each. However, if the provisions are found to be in irreconcilable conflict, the one that establishes the higher standard for the protection of the public health and safety prevails. If a provision of this Ordinance is found to be in conflict with an existing provision of any other law or regulation that establishes a lower standard for the protection of the public health and safety, the provision of this Ordinance prevails and the other conflicting provision is repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.