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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 10-0584		

TO

DATE: September 16, 2010

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

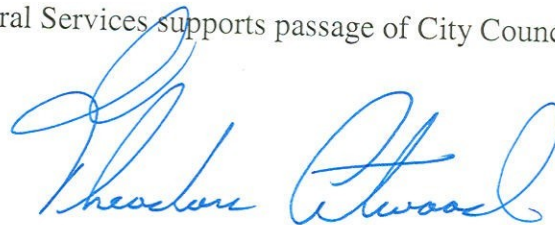
I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 10-0584 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of General Services).

The purpose of the Bill is to grant a franchise to 929 N. Wolfe, LLC, to construct, use and maintain a private structural projection over a portion of the bed of Ashland Avenue, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations.

The Graduate Student Housing Community at the Science and Technology Park at Johns Hopkins wishes to construct a new multi-story building for graduate students at the northeast corner of North Wolfe Street and Ashland Avenue. The project will include 321 apartments with a mix of 1-bedroom/1-bath, 2-bedroom/2-bath and efficiency units. The building design includes a projection over the right-of-way of Ashland Avenue, beginning at the 12th floor and extending to the 21st floor of the structure. The portion of the building projecting into the right-of-way measures approximately 3 feet 10 inches by 31 feet 2 inches, or approximately 120 square feet for each of the 10 floors, for a total of a 1,200 square feet encroachment. City Council Bill 10-0584, if approved, would permit these portions of the building to project into the Ashland Avenue right-of-way, well above the bed of the street, allowing for free pedestrian and vehicular use of the cartways and sidewalk.

In accordance with the Minor Privilege Schedule of Charges and Regulations as established and set by the Board of Estimates, an annual franchise fee of \$5,592.00 is recommended for this type of encroachment into the public way.

Based on these findings, the Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 10-0584.



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