



# MEMORANDUM

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RAWLINGS-BLAKE,  
Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,  
Executive Director, HABD  
Commissioner, HCD

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: October 25, 2011

Re: **City Council Bill 11-0762 - Urban Renewal - Key Highway - Amendment** \_

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0762, which was introduced for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Key Highway to revise Exhibits C and D to reflect the change in zoning, upon approval by separate ordinance, for 1302 Key Highway; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The Key Highway Urban Renewal Plan (URP) was enacted in 1986, and most recently amended in 2004. This bill would amend the URP to accomplish two aims: (i) upon approval of rezoning by a separate ordinance for the property known as 1302 Key Highway, revise Exhibit C, "Land Use," to reflect the change in zoning from Industrial to Community Business; and (ii) upon approval of rezoning by separate ordinance, revise Exhibit D, "Existing Zoning," to reflect the change in zoning for the property known as 1302 Key Highway, from the M-2-2 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District. At its regular meeting on October 6, 2011, the Planning Commission recommended this bill be amended to place a 50-foot height limit on the 1302 Key Highway property and passed by the City Council.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the amendment and adoption of City Council Bill 11-0762.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, *Deputy Mayor*

