



BALTIMORE HOUSING

SHEILA DIXON
Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO
Executive Director, HABC
Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

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

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: June 2, 2009

Re: **City Council Bill 09-0293 Downtown Management District -
Adjustment of Boundaries**

Revised
For
PAUL T. GRAZIANO

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 09-0293, which was introduced for the purpose of extending the Downtown Management District to encompass an area bounded by Franklin Street to the north, Howard Street to the east, Saratoga Street to the south, and Eutaw Street to the west, as well as properties fronting on the west side of Eutaw Street; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related language; making this Ordinance subject to a certain contingency; and generally related to the Downtown Management District and Authority.

The proposed expansion would permit the Downtown Management District, also known as the Downtown Partnership, to fund expanded "Clean, Safe and Beautiful" services for the west side of Eutaw Street. The Partnership already provides cleaning services to both sides of the street but now seeks the inclusion of this area within its formal boundaries in order to collect additional assessments to continue the service. A total of 83 properties are affected by the expansion, however, 53 of which are exempt from additional assessment due to their current residential, governmental, or non-profit status.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 09-0293.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson
Ms. Diane Hutchins
Mr. Andrew Frank

