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CITY COUNCIL BILL 11-0308R

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September 23, 2011

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Resolution 11-0308R introduced by Council Members Conaway, Henry, Stokes, Cole, Kraft, Middleton, Welch, Clarke, Holton, Branch, and President Young.

The purpose of the Resolution is to call on representatives from the Department of Public Works, Health, Housing, Recreation and Parks, and General Services to appear before the Council to explain the City's current policies for maintaining City owned vacant lots and other properties; discuss how these properties could be better maintained; and establish a clear and simple method by which neighbors of City-owned properties can quickly and effectively get their concerns addressed.

The Department of General Services maintains City municipal buildings, recreation centers, fire stations, and libraries. In additional to providing custodial and security services to some of these public buildings, the Department has worked hard to improve the energy efficiency of City facilities. As part of the holistic approach to managing and caring for these buildings, our Department has surveyed 77% of the square footage of municipal buildings, identifying the layout, size, utilities, and tenants for each.

The Department of General Services will be present at the hearing to respond to any questions or requests for additional information the Committee may have on City Council Resolution 11-0308R.

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