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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 09-0283		

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TO 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 Bill 09-0283 introduced by Council President Rawlings Blake on behalf of the Administration (Department of Public Works).

The purpose of the Bill is to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Hawkins Point Road, extending from Fort Armistead Road southwesterly 449.8 feet, more or less, to an access ramp to northbound Interstate Route No. 695, and no longer needed for public use.

The Department of Public Works was approached by a property owner whose parcels are separated by an unpaved and unutilized portion of Hawkins Point Road right-of-way. The privately owned parcel that is situated to the south of the unimproved Hawkins Point right-of-way is approximately 0.832 acres in size (Block 7004, Lot 6), and the privately owned parcel to the north is approximately 6.259 acres in size (Block 7005, Lot 18). The owner who wishes to close this portion of Hawkins Point right-of-way does not have any development planned for his properties at this time.

City Council Bill 09-0283, if approved, would sell an arc-shaped former portion of Hawkins Point Road right-of-way, located between a northbound access ramp to I-695 and Fort Armistead Road. Companion City Council Bill 09-0282 would close this portion of right-of-way to public use. Any public utilities present in the former portion of right-of-way proposed for sale would be subject to a full width perpetual easement as noted on page 2, lines 6 and 7 of the legislation.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 09-0283 provided the closure ordinance is approved.


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