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The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: Baltimore City Council Bill 08-0158 – Urban Renewal – Park Heights –  
Renewal Area Designation and Urban Renewal Plan

Dear Madame President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 08-0158, as well as the amendments recommended by the Planning Commission, for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would repeal the existing Park Heights Urban Renewal Plan and replace it by designating a Park Heights Renewal Area and approve a Renewal Plan for Park Heights.

The Law Department recommends deleting the “Homes for the rehabilitation of non-bedridden alcoholics and for the care and custody of homeless persons” language on page 4 in lines 4-5, in order to avoid a possible violation of the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

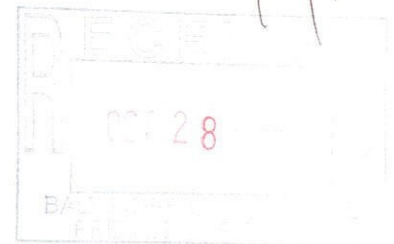
With the amendment recommended above, City Council Bill 08-0158 and the amendments recommended by the Planning Commission would be consistent with Article 13, § 2-6 of the City Code. Subject to the attached amendment, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,



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**Amendment No. 1**

On page 4, strike lines 4-5.

