

CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0059 - Sale of Property — Block 3434, Lots 2 and 1

President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0059 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the Commissioner of Housing and Community Development to sell at public or private sale, all the interest of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore in the property known as Block 3434, Lots 2 and 1 declaring it no longer needed for public use. The bill also provides for a special effective date.

Art. 13, Sec. 2-7 of the City Code and Article II, Section 15(c) of the Baltimore City Charter grants the Department of Housing and Community the power to arrange for the disposition of any building or parcel of land for development or redevelopment and no longer needed by the City for public use, if that sale is approved by the Board of Estimates. Assuming the agency reports reveal that the property is no longer needed for public use, this is the appropriate ordinance to authorize disposition of the subject property. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

Elena R. DiPietro

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Division Chief

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