

CITY OF BALTIMORE

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

Re: City Council Bill 17-0129 – Sale of Property – Former Bed of a Portion of
a 10 Foot Alley Lying Between North Milton Avenue and Rose Street

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0129 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the City to sell its interest in a former bed of a portion of a 10 Foot alley lying between North Milton Avenue and Rose Street, declaring it no longer needed for public use. Consistent with the accompanying Opening and Closing bills, the sale will be subject to a full width perpetual easement for utilities and services.

Section 5(b) of Article V of the City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to sell any interest in property that the Mayor and City Council deems by ordinance no longer needed for public use, if that sale is approved by the Board of Estimates. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor

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