



## BALTIMORE HOUSING

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Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO  
Executive Director, HABC  
Commissioner, HCD

# MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: September 29, 2009

Re: **City Council Bill 09-0377 - Acquisition of Property - Block 6990, Lots 1 - 7, and Block 6991, Lots 1 - 26**

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The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 09-0377, which was introduced for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, the fee simple or other interests in certain property known as Block 6990, Lots 1 through 7, and Block 6991, Lots 1 through 26, and needed to create a public park.

City Council Bill 09-0377, if adopted, would authorize the purchase of 33 privately owned properties located near Browning Highway, Colgate Creek, the Dundalk and Seagrit Marine Terminals. Baltimore County is financing the acquisition and intends to use these parcels as part of the formation of a newly proposed Dundalk Heritage Park. Since a portion of these properties extend into Baltimore City, this legislation is required to facilitate Baltimore County's project.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 09-0377.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Ms. Diane Hutchins, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Mr. Andrew Frank, *First Deputy Mayor*

