

## MEMORANDUM

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PAUL T. GRAZIANO, Executive Director, HABC Commissioner, HCD

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From:

Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

September 23, 2011

Re:

City Council Bill 11-0757 - Sale of Properties - 411 and 413 North Washington Street

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0757, which was introduced for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain properties located at 411 and 413 North Washington Street (Ward 06, Section 05, Block 1667, Lots 05 and 06) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The subject properties are two improved lots and were awarded, on June 9, 2010, to My Son Development, LLC ("Developer"), under the City's Rolling Bid Process. This bill would grant authority to sell these properties to the Developer, who will raze the improvements on the properties and then redevelop them as part of a 45,000 square foot office building redevelopment project located at 403-427 North Washington Street, which will market at the growing demand for office space in the surrounding area including the Johns Hopkins Medical Center.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 11-0757.

## PTG:nb

cc:

Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

