



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: April 28, 2008

Re: City Council Bill 08-0067 Franchise - Private Steam Line Under and
Across Central Avenue and North Caroline Street

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 08-0067, which was introduced for the purpose of granting a franchise to the Johns Hopkins Hospital to construct, use, and maintain a private steam line under the Central Avenue and North Caroline Street rights-of-way.

Portions of this private steam line and vaults will be located beneath the surface of the Central Avenue and North Caroline Street rights-of-way, and portions will cross 1400 Orleans Street and 540 North Caroline Street, which are properties owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore (the "City Properties"). The portions of steam line crossing the Dunbar Public School facility will be subject to perpetual easements and will require an ordinance separate from this franchise ordinance. The steam line will be located and begin 7 feet beneath the surface of the public rights-of-way.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 08-0067.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson
Mr. Demaune Millard

