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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 09-0293		

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TO
 The Honorable President and Members
 of the Baltimore City Council
 c/o Karen Randle
 Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 09-0293 introduced by Council Members Cole and Spector on behalf of the Downtown Partnership of Baltimore.

The purpose of the bill is to extend the Downtown Management District to encompass an area bounded by Franklin Street to the north, Howard Street to the east, Saratoga Street to the south, and Eutaw Street to the west, as well as properties fronting on the west side of Eutaw Street; correct, clarify, and conform related language; make this Ordinance subject to a certain contingency; and generally related to the Downtown Management District and Authority.

Ordinance 92-057 authorized the creation of the Downtown Management District and the Downtown Management Authority. Resolutions 96-005, 02-026, and 07-022 periodically renewed and continued the Authority and District. The purpose of the Downtown Management District is to fund, through a supplemental tax levied on all commercial properties, public safety and exterior environment initiatives. City Council Bill 09-0293, if approved, would expand the area of the District to include the area bounded by Franklin, Howard, Saratoga, and Eutaw Streets, including properties along the west side of the 300 to 900 blocks of Eutaw Street. The intent of the requested expansion is to expand services to the west side of Eutaw Street, a major access route to Lexington Market and Downtown Baltimore.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 09-0293.


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