



# MEMORANDUM

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RAWLINGS-BLAKE,  
Mayor

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: May 30, 2013

Re: **City Council Bill 13-0180 – City Streets – Opening – A Portion of Fremont Avenue**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 13-0180, which was introduced for the purpose of condemning and opening a portion of Fremont Avenue, extending from Baltimore Street southeasterly 154.0 feet, more or less, as shown on Plat 329-A-23 in the Office of the Department of General Services; and providing for a special effective date.

This bill, if adopted, would condemn and open a portion of Fremont Avenue located in the University of Maryland BioPark section of the city, sitting between the southern edge of W. Baltimore Street and running southeasterly until the intersection with the bed of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard right of way.

City Council Bill 13-0180, along with its companion legislation, City Council Bill 13-0181 and City Council Bill 13-0182, which would certain city streets and authorize the sale of certain city-owned parcels, respectively, will allow for the entire site to be redeveloped as part of the University of Maryland BioPark site. Additionally, it is the understanding of HCD that the BioPark will landscape and maintain the subject properties, which are to remain accessible to the public.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 13-0180.

PTG:nb

cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Ms. Kaliopé Parthemos, *Deputy Mayor*



*no obj.*