

## EMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE.

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

July 2, 2012

Re:

City Council Bill 12-0096 - Zoning - Conditional Use Second-hand Store - 5702 Bellona

Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0096, which was introduced for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a second-hand store on the property known as 5702 Bellona Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

This bill, if adopted, would permit the petitioner, Second Time Around, to operate a second-hand store at the 5702 Bellona Avenue. The subject property is located in a B-2-2 Zoning District and in the York Road Community Strategic Neighborhood Action Plan (SNAP) area. The Zoning Code permits, as a conditional use, a second-hand store for property located in the B-2-2 Zoning District, and defines a second-hand store as "a place of business of a person who engages in the business of buying for resale, trade, or transfer used or previously owned property or merchandise, including carvings, clothes, ceramics, furniture, glass, household items, jewelry, paintings, rugs, sculptures, silverware, and other moveable personal property, but excluding motor vehicles, records, tapes, compact discs, and books." It is the understanding of the Department of Housing and Community Development that the petitioner intends to sell clothing, furniture and related merchandise, which is within the scope of permissible uses for a second-hand store in the Zoning Code.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 12-0096.

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cc:

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Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

