



December 14, 2012

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, 100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, MD 21202

Re: City Council Resolution 12-0077R: Request for State Action – Community  
Association Standing

Ladies and Gentlemen:

City Council Resolution 12-0077R has been referred by your Honorable Body to the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals for study and report.

The purpose of City Council Resolution 12-0077R is to request the General Assembly to adopt, and the Governor sign, legislation that would allow Baltimore City community associations the same access to the State court system for zoning disputes enjoyed by community associations in other Maryland jurisdictions.

State legislation passed in accordance with City Council Resolution 12-0077R would give Baltimore City community associations standing to pursue zoning appeals to the State courts. The BMZA is of the opinion that this legislation will significantly affect the appeal process and therefore respectfully requests deferral of this Agency's response until a later date for the purpose of preparing a more detailed evaluation of the Resolution.

Sincerely,

David C. Tanner  
Executive Director

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CC: Mayors Office of Council Relations  
Legislative Reference

