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June 13, 2012

Honorable President and Members  
of the City Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On June 13, 2012 the Board had before it for consideration the following pending City Council Bills:

12-0023 - Charter Amendment - Municipal Elections for the purpose of providing for the election of the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the President and Members of the City Council in 2016 and in every succeeding fourth year; adjusting the terms of office for those elected in 2011; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**THE LAW DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS THAT THE CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0023 BE AMENDED TO CHANGE THE PURPOSE CLAUSE TO RECOGNIZE THE ACTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE RECOMMENDED AMENDMENT IS: IN LINE 3, AFTER "PURPOSE OF" INSERT "CONFIRMING THE STATE LEGISLATION ENACTMENT." THE LAW DEPARTMENT APPROVED CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0023 FOR FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY.**

**ALL REPORTS RECEIVED WERE FAVORABLE.**

CITY COUNCIL BILLS - cont'd

**THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES SUPPORTS PASSAGE OF CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0060 PROVIDED THE OPENING AND CLOSING ORDINANCES ARE APPROVED.**

**THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO THE PASSAGE TO CITY COUNCIL BILL 012-0079 ON THE CONDITION THAT CITY COUNCIL BILLS 12-0058 AND 12-0059 ARE ALSO APPROVED AND ENACTED.**

**ALL REPORTS RECEIVED WERE FAVORABLE.**

- 12-0071 - An Ordinance Concerning Sale of Property - Former Bed of a 15-Foot Alley For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of a 15-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as 4406 and 4410 Pall Mall Road and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

**THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES SUPPORTS PASSAGE OF CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0071 PROVIDED THE CLOSURE ORDINANCE IS APPROVED.**

**ALL REPORTS RECEIVED WERE FAVORABLE.**

- 12-0079 - An Ordinance Concerning Sale of Property - Former Beds of Certain Streets and Alleys Bounded by Sun Street, the CSX Transportation, Inc. Railroad Right of Way, Vera Street, and Chesapeake Avenue For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain parcels of land known as the former beds of certain streets and alleys bounded by Sun Street, the CSX Transportation, Inc. Railroad right of way, Vera Street, and Chesapeake Avenue and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.



**CITY COUNCIL BILLS** - cont'd

12-0092 - Charter Amendment - Stormwater Utility for the purpose of establishing a financially self-sustaining stormwater utility; authorizing supplemental legislation to implement the provisions governing water, sanitary wastewater, and stormwater utilities; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related language; providing for a special effective date; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**THE LAW DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS ONE AMENDMENT TO CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0092. IN SECTION 18(E) FOR CLARITY, ADD "AND NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THIS CHARTER" AFTER DESIRABLE. THE LAW DEPARTMENT APPROVED CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0092 FOR FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY.**

**ALL REPORTS RECEIVED WERE FAVORABLE.**

12-0093 - Charter Amendment - Minority Party Representation on Boards and Commissions for the purpose of allowing voters registered as unaffiliated or as third party members to sit on City boards and commissions as minority party representatives; defining a certain term; generally relating to minority party representation on City boards and commissions; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the City for adoption or rejection.

**ALL REPORTS RECEIVED WERE FAVORABLE.**

12-0060 - An Ordinance Concerning Sale of Property - Former Bed of Toone Street For the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Toone Street, extending from Ponca Street easterly to the Right of Way Line of Interstate Route No. 895 (Baltimore Harbor Tunnel) no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

CITY COUNCIL BILLS - cont'd

THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO THE PASSAGE TO CITY COUNCIL BILL 012-0079 ON THE CONDITION THAT CITY COUNCIL BILLS 12-0077 AND 12-0078 ARE ALSO APPROVED AND ENACTED.

THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES SUPPORTS PASSAGE OF CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0079 PROVIDED THE OPENING AND CLOSING ORDINANCES ARE APPROVED.

ALL REPORTS RECEIVED WERE FAVORABLE.

After NOTING AND CONCURRING in all favorable reports received, the Board approved the aforementioned City Council Bills and referred them to the City Council with the recommendation that they be approved and passed by that Honorable Body.

The President **ABSTAINED** from voting.

Sincerely,



Bernice H. Taylor

Clerk to the Board of Estimates

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