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	SUBJECT	CCB #08-0100/TAX SALES – AGENCY COORDINATION		

DATE: May 20, 2008

**TO** The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
City Hall, Room 400  
100 N. Holliday Street

The Department of Planning has received City Council Bill No. 08-0100 for the purpose of prohibiting the tax sale of property that is designated or being considered for possible future acquisition by or on behalf of the City under a plan for development or redevelopment; requiring certain notices to and certain verifications from certain entities before a property may be advertised for tax sale; and generally relating to tax and other lien sales.

The Department of Planning supports this legislation, as it aims to prevent tax sales of property by the City before the various agencies involved in development and redevelopment efforts have been given an opportunity to comment. This proposed legislation would allow the various City agencies to thoroughly review tax sale properties and then make assessments regarding the need for these properties in the City's acquisition efforts. The bill will do much to further the goals of the City's various Urban Renewal Plans, many of which cover areas that have the highest rates of tax delinquency in the City. Furthermore, the bill will encourage agencies to coordinate their efforts around development and redevelopment efforts.

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Attachment

CC: Mr. Andrew Frank, Deputy Mayor  
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Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office  
The Honorable Rochelle "Rikki" Spector, Council Rep. for Planning Commission  
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