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|                  | SUBJECT                     | CITY COUNCIL BILL 10-0513  |

CITY of BALTIMORE



TO

DATE:

June 3, 2010

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 10-0513 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of General Services).

The purpose of the Bill is to authorize 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 McElderry Street, and no longer needed for public use.

McElderry Street, LLC is requesting to close and purchase a portion of McElderry Street that is located between North Dean Street and a 15-foot alley located east of North Highland Avenue. McElderry Street, LLC owns the property abutting the proposed street closing. Schuster Concrete operates a concrete batch plant and storage yard at this location and the portion of McElderry Street to be closed provides access to the plant and storage yard. The applicant has complained of problems with vandalism and criminal activity in this area. McElderry Street, LLC wishes to close and purchase the street bed, allowing for the fencing of the western end and installation of gates at the eastern end, opening onto Dean Street. The portion proposed for purchase measures approximately 50 feet wide by 592.5 feet long. Any utilities present that are not to be abandoned or relocated are protected in lines 1 and 2 of page 2 of the legislation. Companion legislation would authorize the closure of this portion of right-of-way (City Council Bill 10-0512).

Based on these findings, the Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 10-0513 provided the closure ordinance is approved by the City Council.

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