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June 10, 2014

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 14-0390 introduced by Council President Young at the request of the Department of Housing and Community Development.

The purpose of the Bill is to amend the Urban Renewal Plan for Druid Heights to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area and to extend the life of the Plan; waive certain content and procedural requirements; make the provisions of this Ordinance severable; provide for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and provide for a special effective date.

Ordinance 77-376 established the Urban Renewal Plan for Druid Heights and was last amended by Ordinance 11-447. The Druid Heights is generally bounded by West North Avenue on the north; Bloom Street, Division Street, and Laurens Street on the south; Pennsylvania Avenue on the west; and Tiffany Street on the east. Ordinance 11-447 extended the acquisition and condemnation authority through and including December 31, 2014.

City Council Bill 14-0390, if approved, would reauthorize the Plan's powers of acquisition and condemnation so that these actions may legally continue in compliance with §12-105.1 of the Real Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and would extend the life of the Plan.

The Department of Public Works has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 14-0390.

Sincerely,

Rudolph S. Chow, P.E.
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