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Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO  
Executive Director, HABCD  
Commissioner, HCD

## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: November 6, 2009

Re: **City Council Bill 09-0410 - Urban Renewal - Carroll Camden-  
Amendment \_**

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 09-0410, which was introduced for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Carroll Camden to revise an exhibit to reflect the disposition changes in the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances.

City Council Bill 09-0410 would amend the Carroll Camden Urban Renewal Plan to grant the City the authority to sell 701 W. Ostend Street and the bed of Warner Street between Bayard and Worcester Street to the Baltimore City Entertainment Group (BCEG). These properties will be combined into the overall disposition area that will be part of the future site of a video lottery facility (commonly referred to as "slots"). BCEG intends to develop a multi-level parking garage with retail and restaurant use at the ground level at the Warner Street lots. Parking for the VLT facility employees and motor coaches will be located at 701 W. Ostend lot.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 09-0410.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Ms. Diane Hutchins, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Mr. Andrew Frank, *First Deputy Mayor*

