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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 11-0727		

DATE: August 17, 2011

TO

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 11-0727 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 the former beds of certain alleys bounded by Barclay Street, 24th Street, Greenmount Avenue and 23rd Street, and no longer needed for public use.

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is requesting the opening, closing, and sale of certain interconnecting alleys or portions of alleys in the Barclay neighborhood and within the block bounded by Barclay Street, 23rd and 24th Streets and Greenmount Avenue. DHCD would like to consolidate the alley beds with adjoining City-owned properties to create one large lot that would be available for redevelopment purposes. Two church properties also abut the alleys and have consented to their closure.

City Council Bill 11-0727 and companion legislation (City Council Bills 11-0725 and 11-0726), if approved, will allow for the opening, closing, and sale of the alley beds needed for consolidation and development.

The following alleys are proposed to be opened, closed and sold:

- An approximately 15 foot wide by 70 foot long portion of a 25-foot wide alley located perpendicular to and between the rear of the properties known as 400 East 23rd Street and 401 and a portion of 403 East 24th Street;
- An approximately 10 foot wide by 95 foot long portion of an alley located to the rear of the properties known as 413 through 423 East 24th Street;
- An irregularly-shaped alley approximately 38 feet by 5 feet by 37.8 feet by 8 feet and located to the rear of the properties known as 403 through 413 East 24th Street;

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- An approximately 5 foot wide by 23 foot long alley located perpendicular to the irregularly-shaped alley to be closed and the 10-foot wide alley to be closed, adjacent to a portion of the western property line of 413 East 24th Street; and
- An approximately 5 foot wide by 11 foot long alley located to the rear of 400 East 43rd Street.

Any City-owned utilities not to be abandoned or relocated would be subject to a full width perpetual easement as noted in lines 31 and 32 on page 3 of the legislation.

The Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 11-0727 provided the opening and closing ordinances are approved.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Theodore Atwood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Theodore Atwood
Director

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