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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 15-0550		

TO

DATE:

September 22, 2015

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 15-0550 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of Transportation).

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 portion of the former bed of Dickman Street, designated as Lot 7 on the Resubdivision Plat dated December 29, 1989, and no longer needed for public use.

Ordinance 88-162 authorized the closing of a portion of Dickman Street, located between Hanover Street and Insulator Drive. The closure was done as part of the comprehensive redevelopment of the Port Covington Planned Unit Development (PUD). The intent was to sell the former bed of Dickman Street that was closed to the Baltimore Sun Company, but the sales ordinance was never pursued. City Council Bill 15-0550, if approved, would allow for the sale of this Lot 7 to the Tribune Media company, the owners of the Baltimore Sun Properties. There are no public utilities that would be affected by the proposed sale of this former street bed.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 15-0550.



Sincerely,


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Director

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Favorable