

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: September 26, 2008

Re: City Council Bill 08-0180 Sale of Property - 3904 White Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 08-0180, which was introduced for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property known as 3904 White Avenue (Block 5691, Lot 005) and no longer needed for public use.

The property is a vacant lot consisting approximately of 15,333 square feet. The owner of a neighboring apartment complex wishes to acquire this lot and use it for off-street parking. According to the Housing Code Enforcement's database, this property has been the subject of complaints for excessive high grass and weeds in the past. Accordingly, DHCD believes that creating a productive use for this property such as a parking lot would alleviate the concerns of local residents.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 08-0180.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson

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