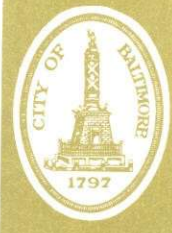


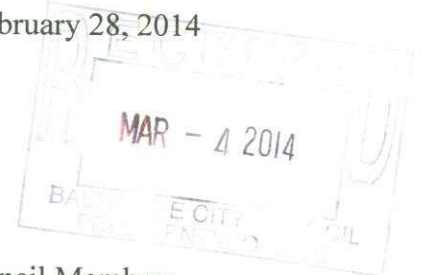
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| <b>FROM</b> | NAME & TITLE          | Rudolph S. Chow, P.E., Director                                  | <b>CITY of</b><br><b>BALTIMORE</b><br><b>MEMO</b> |  |
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|             | SUBJECT               | <b>CITY COUNCIL BILL 14-0326</b>                                 |   |   |

**TO**

DATE:

February 28, 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 14-0326 introduced by Council Members Henry and Curran.

The purpose of the Bill is to approve certain amendments to the Development Plan of the York Road and Belvedere Avenue (Belvedere Square) Planned Unit Development.

Ordinance 74-771, amended by Ordinances 84-187, 04-858, 07-500, and 09-174 established the York Road and Belvedere Avenue (Belvedere Square) Planned Unit Development (PUD) and approved the Development Plan submitted by the applicant. The PUD area is bounded by York Road, Northern Parkway, Clearspring Road, and Orkney Road and consists of a mix of retail and office uses located on both sides of Belvedere Avenue.

In the subsequent amendments to the PUD, outdoor table service, hours of operation for the table service, opportunities for special events, outdoor gatherings, movies, and multi-day festivals were permitted to create a vibrant and welcoming atmosphere without negatively impacting the surrounding communities. The areas where these exterior uses and activities were allowed were defined in an Exhibit B as were the numbers of allowable outdoor tables and seating. The management/owners of Belvedere Square were required to prepare and maintain traffic, parking, security, and trash pickup management plans to ensure these events would be well managed. Tenants of Belvedere Square were also allowed to have outdoor displays and sell merchandise on the sidewalks and common areas of the PUD. With the exception of the sections dealing with the outdoor tables and seating, the provisions for special events established by amendment to the PUD automatically terminated three years from the date of enactment.

City Council Bill 14-0326 would re-establish these formerly permitted uses and activities and would increase the numbers of outdoor seating and tables. The management/owners of Belvedere Square would still be required to prepare and execute management plans, including traffic and parking management plans and pedestrian safety plans which require review and approval by the right-of-way section of the Department of Public

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Works [Section 5 (g)]. As noted in the Department of General Services report on this Bill, the right-of-way section is now with their Department and would therefore require correction in the legislation. In addition, Section 4 of the Bill requires the management/owners to submit to the contiguous neighborhood associations a list of previous year's and upcoming year's events. Automatic termination three years from the date of enactment of this legislation would again occur, with the exception of Section 5(3)(b), the numbers of allowable outdoor seating and tables in the area shown on Exhibit B.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 14-0236 as proposed to be amended by the Department of General Services.

Sincerely,



Rudolph S. Chow, P. E.  
Director

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