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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET		
	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #18-0298/ FRANCHISE – 26" OHP GAS MAIN (GRANITE PIPELINE) THROUGH THE LANDS OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE		

DATE:

TO

The Honorable President and
 Members of the City Council
 City Hall, Room 400
 100 North Holliday Street

November 8, 2018

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #18-0298, which is for the purpose of granting a franchise 50' wide to the Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (i) to construct, use, and maintain a new 26" OHP Gas Main (Granite Pipeline); and (ii) to decommission and maintain an existing 26" OHP Gas Main (Granite Pipeline), both running through "Gwynns Falls Leakin Park", owned by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore located in Baltimore City, Maryland, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

The Department of Planning recommends approval of City Council Bill #18-0298, and defers to the Department of Recreation and Parks as the more directly impacted agency. We understand that this Franchise is necessary in order to install a major replacement gas line through Park property. We also understand that the agreement imposes strict guidelines for forest management and vegetation within the area of disturbance, and establishment of a franchise fee to be paid by Baltimore Gas and Electric.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eric Tiso, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-8358.

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