

MEMORANDUM

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

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: July 25, 2009

Re: City Council Bill 08-0157 Rezoning - Properties in Canton

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 08-0157, which was introduced for the purpose of changing the zoning for certain properties in the Canton area: as outlined in blue on the accompanying plats, from the B-1-2 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; as outlined in yellow on the accompanying plats from the B-1-3 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; as outlined in red on the accompanying plats, from the B-2-2 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; as outlined in purple on the accompanying plats, from the B-2-3 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; as outlined in turquoise on the accompanying plats, from the B-3-2 Zoning District; as outlined in green on the accompanying plats, from the B-3-2 Zoning District to the R-8 Zoning District; as outlined in brown on the accompanying plats, from the M-2-2 Zoning District; as outlined in orange on the accompanying plats, from the M-3 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District to the B-1-2 Zoning District.

The goals of City Council Bill 08-0175 were to formalize the zoning recommendations of the Canton Waterfront Urban Renewal Plan and to make the zoning conform to the existing character of the neighborhoods. This rezoning effort is the result of an 18 month process lead by Councilman Kraft and aided by the Planning Department in which approximately 29 community associations and business owners were represented on the 21224 Rezoning Task Force.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 08-0157 and defers to the recommendations for the Planning Commission for further amendment and comment.

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