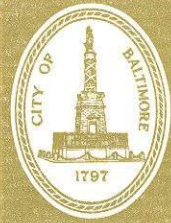


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May 22, 2014

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall, 100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 14-0377 – Charter Amendment – Minority Party
Representation on Boards and Commissions

Dear President and City Council Members:

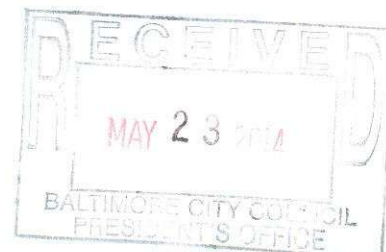
The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 14-0377 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would resolve to amend Sections 116, 132 and 133 of Article VII of the City Charter to transfer certain functions now performed by the Department of General Services (“DGS”) to the Department of Transportation (“DOT”). There are no legal impediments to these changes.

Under Article XI-A, Section 5 of the Maryland Constitution, a resolution, such as City Council Bill 14-0377, is an appropriate method of initiating an amendment to the Baltimore City Charter. The Law Department, therefore, approves the resolution for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor

cc: George Nilson, City Solicitor
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