



# MEMORANDUM

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RAWLINGS-BLAKE,  
Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,  
Executive Director, HABCD  
Commissioner, HCD

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: July 31, 2012

Re: **City Council Bill 12-0109 – Franchise – Private Pedestrian Bridgeways Above and Across and Private Tunnels Under and Across a Portion of Marion Street Right-of-way**

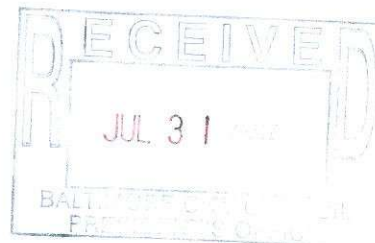
The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0109, which was introduced for the purpose of granting a franchise to CB Fayette Street Baltimore, LLC, to use and maintain two existing private pedestrian bridgeways above and across and two existing private tunnels under and across a portion of Marion Street right-of-way, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

It is the understanding of the Department of Housing and Community Development that Ordinance 937 of 1987 gave permission and authority to PKLB Limited Partnership, and its successors and assigns, to maintain and operate two existing and enclosed bridgeways and two existing subterranean tunnels within Marion Street right-of-way, between Howard Street and Kimmel Alley. CB Fayette Street Baltimore, LLC is the current owner of the premises and is the successor in interest to the rights of PKLB Limited Partnership as the Grantee under Ordinance 937 of 1987. The new owner intends to maintain and operate the bridgeways and tunnels and wishes to renew the franchise for an additional 25 years.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 12-0109.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, *Deputy Mayor*



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