

CITY OF BALTIMORE

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE, Mayor



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

Re: City Council Bill 15-0520 – Sale of Property – Former Beds of 2 10-Foot  
Alleys Between Lafayette Avenue, Lanvale Street, Barclay Street, and  
Greenmount Avenue

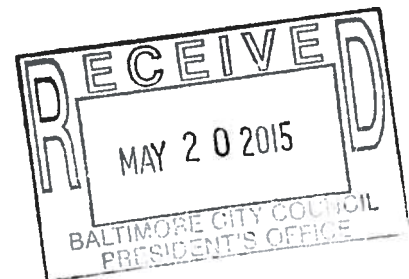
Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0520 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the City to sell all, or a portion of, its interest in the alleys and portions of streets and alleys located behind Brentwood Avenue, declaring them no longer needed for public use.

Section 5(b) of Article V of the City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to sell property that the Mayor and City Council deems by ordinance no longer needed for public use, if that sale is approved by the Board of Estimates. This is the appropriate ordinance. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor



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