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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 08-0156		

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TO

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Karen Randle
Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 08-0156 introduced by Council President Rawlings Blake on behalf of the Administration (Department of Public Works).

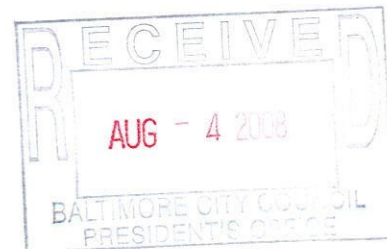
The purpose of the Bill is to condemn and close Adams Street, extending from Ponca Street, easterly 152.2 feet, more or less, to the end thereof, as shown on Plat 114-A-35 in the Office of the Department of Public Works.

The subject right-of-way is a wedge-shaped portion that measures approximately 154.49 feet by 4.09 feet by 149.97 feet by 40 feet. It is located just south of the intersection of O'Donnell and Ponca Streets, and is bounded by Ponca Street, the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel right-of-way (I-895), and the northern property line of the 1101-1113 Ponca Street property. Construction of the I-895 effectively closed off the use of this paper street. The adjacent property owner, G&F Property Investments, LLC plans to construct a full-service car wash facility on its 1101-1113 Ponca Street property and would like to use this portion of street bed as part of the development site.

Having checked our records, this Department has no utility or other interests that would be affected by the proposed closure. However, standard language in Sections 3 and 4 of the legislation protect City utilities from any damage or utility abandonment or relocation costs. Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 08-0156.


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