

MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE,

PAULT. GRAZIANO,

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

September 23, 2011

Re:

City Council Bill 11-0713 - Sale of Properties - the Former Beds of a 10-Foot Portion of

Foster Avenue and a 7-Foot Portion of Fait Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0713, which was introduced for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain properties known as the former beds of (1) a 10-foot portion of Foster Avenue, contiguous to the south side thereof and extending from Oldham Street Westerly 356.0 feet, more or less, and (2) a 7-foot portion of Fait Avenue, contiguous to the north side thereof and extending from Oldham Street Westerly 729.0 feet, more or less, to the CSX Transportation, Inc., Railroad Right of Way and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The sale of these properties is related to a redevelopment project in Greektown involving the razing of some existing industrial structures between the Bayview Medical Campus and the Canton Industrial area within the Greektown Redevelopment Planned United Development (PUD). According to the Planning Commission's October 2007 report, PUD plan provides for 139 townhome lots, the creation of homeowner association open space, a larger central park, and the creation of public alleys.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 11-0713.

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cc:

Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

