


MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable President and Members of the City Council
Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM: M. J. Brodie, President 

DATE: July 17, 2012

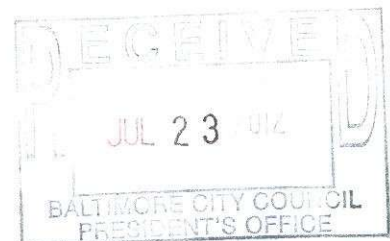
SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 12-0107
Rezoning – 235-239 North Gay Street

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0107 for the purpose of changing the zoning for 235-239 North Gay Street from M-2-3 to B-2-2. BDC supports this legislation because it will allow the properties to be used for commercial uses not permitted in industrial zones but appropriate for the 200 block of North Gay Street due to the changing nature of the Gay Street corridor. For example, in the past several years, two new hotels have opened in the immediate area, and the owners, employees, and guests are all anxious for some additional retail options in the area.

The Baltimore City Planning Department is recommending a similar change (from industrial to commercial) through the comprehensive rezoning process; this bill simply allows the change to take place more quickly.

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