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

Attn: Karen Randle
Executive Secretary


Re: City Council Bill 11-0006– Zoning – Conditional Use Banquet
Hall – 5503 Richard Avenue

Dear President and City Council Members:

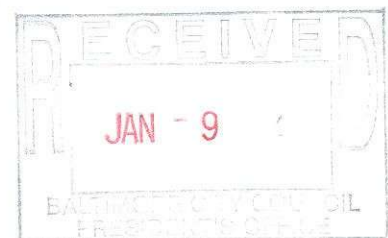
City Council Bill 11-0006 authorizes a conditional use for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a banquet hall on the property known as 5503 Richard Avenue. Pursuant to the City Zoning Code (“ZC”), a bill concerning a conditional use is classified as a “legislative authorization.” ZC § 16-101. Legislative authorizations require certain procedures to be followed in the bill’s passage which, among other things, include submission of the bill to the Planning Commission for its review and subsequent report on the legislation. *See* ZC §§ 16-301& 16-302.

The Law Department believes the information contained in the Planning Commission’s report may impact on the legal analysis of the bill. For this reason, the Law Department respectfully requests approval to delay its report on the above bill until we have had an opportunity to review the Planning Commission’s report.

Sincerely,


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Assistant Solicitor

cc: George Nilson, City Solicitor
Angela C. Gibson, Mayor’s Legislative Liaison
Elena DiPietro, Chief Solicitor
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