



MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE
RAWLINGS-BLAKE,
Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,
Executive Director, HABC
Commissioner, HCDC

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: September 27, 2010

Re: **City Council Bill 10-0572 - Sale of Property - Former Bed of Diamond Street**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0572, 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 a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Diamond Street, extending from Fayette Street northerly 220.2 feet, more or less, to Shad Alley and no longer needed for public use.

The proposed legislation would authorize the sale of a portion of the former bed of Diamond Street from Fayette Street to Shad Alley. This would allow the University of Maryland, Baltimore to secure the entranceway and control the access to a new 16-story high-rise residential building being constructed for graduate student housing.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 10-0572.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Ms. Diane Hutchins, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Ms. Kaliopé Parthemos, *Deputy Mayor*

No obj.

