CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> Re: City Council Bill 17-0012 – Sale of Property – 217 North Pine Street

Dear Mr. President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0012 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all of its interest in certain property known as 217 North Pine Street(Block 0589, Lot 017), no longer needed for public use. The bill also provides for a special effective date.

Section 15(c) of Article II of the City Charter grants the City the power to sell property for development or redevelopment. The powers granted under this section have been vested, as allowed by Section 2-7 of Article 13 of the City Code, in the Department of Housing and Community Development. The Law Department approves this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

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