

MEMORANDUM

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To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From:

Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

June 19, 2012

Re:

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

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0006, which was introduced for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a banquet hall on the property known as 5503 Richard Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat.

This bill, if adopted, would permit, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance and operation of a banquet hall as a conditional use at the subject property address, 5503 Richard Avenue. The subject property is currently zoned B-2-2 and is located within the Hamilton Business Area Urban Renewal Plan area. The Zoning Code defines a "banquet hall" at §1-144.1.a. and, so long as the property complies with all limitations imposed by the conditional use, the applicant would be able to lawfully operate a banquet hall at the property site location, should this bill be enacted into law.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 11-0006.

PTG:nb

cc:

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

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

