

MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE,

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul . Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

September 12, 2011

Re:

City Council Bill 10-0632 - Zoning - Re-Zoning - 2525 Kirk Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0632, which was introduced for the purpose of the property known as 2525 Kirk Avenue, as outlined in red on the accompanying, from the M-1-2 Zoning District to the B-3-2 Zoning District.

The bill would change the zoning at the above-noted address so that a brick building known as the "Coca-Cola Building" could be re-zoned to allow for a charter school to occupy the three-story office portion of the property.

The Department of Housing and Community Development is not particularly familiar with this project. Without firsthand knowledge about the community sentiments of this project, HCD cannot provide an informed position on this bill. Therefore, HCD defers to the Department of Planning and the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals for a position on City Council Bill 10-632.

PTG:nb

cc:

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

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

