

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 09-0377  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Recreation and Parks)  
Introduced and read first time: August 10, 2009  
Assigned to: Taxation, Finance and Economic Development Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Public Works, Department of Real Estate, Department of Finance, Department of Recreation and Parks, Board of Estimates, Department of Transportation, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Acquisition of Property – Block 6990, Lots 1 – 7, and Block 6991, Lots 1 – 26**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to acquire, by purchase  
4 or condemnation, the fee simple or other interests in certain property known as Block 6990,  
5 Lots 1 through 7, and Block 6991, Lots 1 through 26, and needed to create a public park; and  
6 providing for a special effective date.

7 BY authority of  
8 Article I - General Provisions  
9 Section 4  
10 and  
11 Article II - General Powers  
12 Sections 2 and 21  
13 Baltimore City Charter  
14 (1996 Edition)

15 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That it is  
16 necessary to acquire, for the purpose of creating a public park, the fee simple or other interests  
17 that the Director of Public Works considers needed or sufficient in the land and improvements  
18 known as Block 6990, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, and Block 6991, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,  
19 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26.

20 Together with all right, title, interest, and estate that the owner of that property has in all streets,  
21 alleys, ways, or lanes, public or private, contained within or abutting the property.

22 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, That the Department of Real Estate, or any  
23 other person or agency that the Board of Estimates designates, may negotiate and acquire on  
24 behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore the fee simple or other interests in the land  
25 and improvements described in this Ordinance as needed or sufficient for the purposes described  
26 in this Ordinance. If the Department of Real Estate, or the person or agency otherwise  
27 designated by the Board of Estimates, is unable to agree with the owner on the purchase price for  
28 the property, it shall promptly notify the City Solicitor, who shall institute the necessary legal

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 proceedings to acquire by condemnation the fee simple or other interests needed or sufficient for  
2 the purposes described in this Ordinance.

3 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That proceedings for the acquisition by  
4 condemnation of the property described in this Ordinance and all rights of all parties interested  
5 or affected shall be in accordance with Title 12 of the Real Property Article of the Maryland  
6 Code.

7 **SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it  
8 is enacted.