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0	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET, 8 TH FLOOR
Щ	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL #09-0429 Required Parking for Bicycles

CITY of BALTIMORE





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The Honorable President and Members of the City Council City Hall, Room 400 100 N. Holliday Street

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February 17, 2010

The Department of Planning has received City Council Bill #09-0429. This legislation will require certain new or expanded structures, premises and uses to provide bicycle parking; would require certain employers to provide bicycle parking for their employees, and generally relates to bicycle parking requirements.

Mandatory and secure bicycle parking would encourage more people to cycle as a form of transportation. However, clarification is needed to define the responsibilities of the DOT from those of citizens, especially in the design, location and cost of bicycle parking facilities on city streets and sidewalks.

The City's Comprehensive Master Plan, in the LIVE Section, Goal #3, Objective #1, calls for the City to "implement [the] Bicycle Master Plan to create a complete bikeway system;" "implement Transportation System Management techniques to improve the efficiency and safety of [the] existing roadway system;" and "target Pavement Maintenance Management System funding to bicycle and bus routes and surface rail crossings."

The Master Plan, in the EARN Section, Goal #3, titled "Improve Access to Jobs and Transportation Linkages between Businesses," and in the LEARN Section, Goal #4, Objective #1, titled "Improve Pedestrian and Bicycle Access to Schools and Libraries," reinforces these LIVE strategies.

Therefore, the Department of Planning recommends approval of CCB #09-0429.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Gary Letteron, Environmental Planner with the Office of Sustainability, at 410-396-4369.

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