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| FROM | NAME & TITLE | TJS THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR |
| | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET, 8 TH FLOOR |
| | SUBJECT | CCB #10-0609 Supplementary Capital Fund Appropriation – Department of Planning -- \$500,000 |

CITY of
BALTIMORE
MEMO



TO DATE: October 22, 2010

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

The Department of Planning has received City Council Bill #10-0609 for review. This legislation is “For the purpose providing a Supplementary Capital Fund Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000 to the Department of Planning (Account #9905-926005-9188), to provide other funds for the Critical Area Stormwater Offset Program; and providing for a special effective date.”

As required by State Law, the revenue in this account is from offset fees paid by developers who cannot meet Critical Area requirements at their site. These offsets will be used to fund various environmental projects which will improve water quality, restore habitat and make a more attractive and sustainable environment for Baltimore’s citizens.

This appropriation is necessary because when the Ordinance of Estimates for FY 2011 was formulated and approved by the Board of Estimates, the Department of Planning did not anticipate the additional revenue for the Critical Area Program under the Department of Planning for fiscal year 2011. The Department of Planning is recommending that the appropriation be established for fiscal year 2011.

This Bill supports the City’s Comprehensive Masterplan, Live Goal 2, Objective 5, Improve Water Quality and the Environmental Sustainability of the Chesapeake Bay, and Play Goal 3, Increase the Health of Baltimore’s Natural Resources and Open Spaces for Recreation and to Improve Water Quality. Therefore, the Department of Planning recommends approval of CCB #10-0609.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gary Letteron in the Office of Sustainability at 410-396-4369.

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