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DATE: April 4, 2012

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 12-0034 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Baltimore Development Corporation).

The purpose of the Bill is to repeal Ordinance 08-10, approved May 12, 2008.

Ordinance 02-296 established the Carroll Camden Urban Renewal area and was last amended by Ordinance 09-253. The Urban Renewal Area is located southwest of downtown Baltimore and includes both stadia and the Carroll and Camden Industrial Park areas, including the 55-acre Montgomery Park complex. Ordinance 08-10 approved the creation of a Business Planned Unit Development (PUD) within the Carroll Camden Urban Renewal Area, called Gateway South. The Gateway South PUD encompasses an approximately 15 acre site located between Russell Street and the Middle Branch, and between Bush and Alluvian Streets. The PUD established a sports theme mixed use development. Companion Ordinance 08-09 rezoned the properties in the PUD area from M-2-3 to B-2-2 to allow for the mixed use development. The Development Plan includes a conceptual massing plan that is subject to final development plan and design approval by the Planning Commission. The entire PUD is within the Critical Area and the tidal flood zone of the Gwynns Falls, and a large portion is within the Critical Area Buffer Zone.

A 2008 voter referendum approved a State constitutional amendment that authorized a Video Lottery Terminal at the PUD site. The license application for an early entity to construct a Video Lottery Terminal failed. While a new entity has expressed interest in developing the site, no specific development plans are being considered at this time. City Council Bill 12-0034, if approved, would repeal Ordinance 08-10 and leave in place land use controls based on zoning and the existing Urban Renewal Plan.

The Department of Public Works has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 12-0034.

Director

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