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CITY COUNCIL BILL 12-0098

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August 30, 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 12-0098 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Baltimore Development Corporation).

The purpose of the Bill is to amend the Urban Renewal Plan for Inner Harbor Project I to add a new general land use category to the Land Use Provisions in the Plan, to change the land use category for certain Development Areas in the Renewal Plan, and to revise a certain exhibit to the Plan to reflect these changes; waive certain content and procedural requirements; make the provisions of the Ordinance severable; and to provide for the application of this Ordinance in conjunctions with certain other ordinances.

Ordinance 67-1045 established the Urban Renewal Plan for Inner Harbor Project I and was last amended by Ordinance 01-134. The Urban Renewal Area is generally bounded by Lombard Street on the north; Charles Street, Lee Street and Hanover Street on the west; Key Highway and Montgomery Street on the south; and the Harbor, Pier 3, and Gay Street on the east. The intent of the Urban Renewal plan is to control the manner in which redevelopment of the Inner Harbor Area would occur.

City Council Bill 12-0098, if approved, would add a new general use category to the permitted land uses for Development Areas 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, and 24 to allow for commercial/public uses. The Baltimore Development Corporation is investigating the potential for street level retail spaces to be developed as one to three story additions to the existing building fronts along the Pratt Street corridor.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public works has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 12-0098.

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cc: Ms. Marcia Collins

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