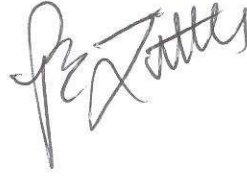


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TO: Bernard C. "Jack" Young, City Council President
FROM: Peter Little, Executive Director
DATE: November 16, 2012
RE: Council Bill 12-0152

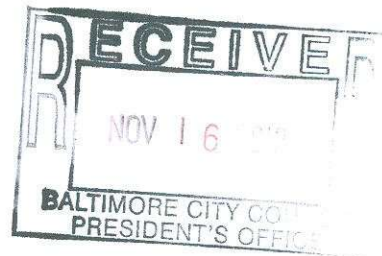


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I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 12-0152 introduced by Council President Young at the request of the Department of Planning.

The purpose of this bill is to establish a new Zoning Code for Baltimore City; modify the laws governing the agencies and officials who administer the City's zoning processes, including the Zoning Administrator, the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, the Planning Commission, the Planning Director, and the Commissioner of Housing and Community Development; provide for the respective powers and duties of these agencies and officials; establish new zoning districts for the City, including Residential, Commercial, Industrial, 9 Open Space, Environmental, Special Purpose, and Overlay Districts; adopt maps and profiles for the various districts; establish the requirements and procedures for obtaining zoning amendments, use permits, and other approvals; establish use regulations for various districts, including permitted uses, conditional uses, and prohibited uses; establish bulk and yard regulations for various districts, including height, lot coverage, lot areas, floor area ratio, and yard size standards; establish design standards for development in various districts; establish off-street-parking requirements, sign regulations, and other regulations for various districts; require special reviews for certain proposed developments, including site plan review, environmentally sensitive areas review, design review, and landscape review; provide for the establishment and regulation of planned unit developments; establish certain transition rules and authorizing the continuation of certain nonconforming uses and structures, subject to certain conditions; provide for conditional uses (special exceptions), variances, and other modifications or approvals; define certain terms; establish certain rules of construction; prohibiting certain conduct; establish enforcement procedures, including civil and criminal penalties; conform cross-references in other articles; correct, clarify, and conform related provisions; provide for a 25 special effective date; and generally relating to zoning and development laws of the City of Baltimore.

The Baltimore City Parking Authority does not object to the passage of City Council Bill 12-0152.



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