

MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE, PAUL T. GRAZIANO, Executive Director, HABO Commissioner, HCD

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: January 2, 2013

Re: City Council Bill 12-0080 – Rezoning – 3224-3226 Washington Boulevard

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0080, which was introduced for the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 3224-3226 Washington Boulevard, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-2-1 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District.

This bill, if adopted, would rezone the property known as 3224-3226 Washington Boulevard from the M-2-1 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District. It is the understanding of HCD that the subject property has been used as a gasoline service station for at least eighty years. Moreover, it appears that the property has never been used for industrial use—despite being designated in an M-2-1 industrial zoning district—and given the particular geography of the subject property, would likely not be ideally suited to such a use.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 12-0080.

PTG:nb

cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

