NAME & TITLE	Steve Sharkey, Acting Director
AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of General Services 800 Abel Wolman Municipal Building
SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 13-0183





The Honorable President and Members

of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

February 12, 2013



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 13-0183 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of General Services).

The purpose of the Bill is to condemn and close (1) Maine Avenue, extending from Hillsdale Road northwesterly 236.0 feet, more or less, to Gwynn Oak Avenue and (2) a 10-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as 4600 through 4612 Maine Avenue, and extending from Hillsdale Road northwesterly 195.7 feet, more or less, to Gwynn Oak Avenue, as shown on Plat 106-B-32A in the Office of the Department of General Services.

A new ShopRite supermarket is proposed to be built at the corner of Liberty Heights Avenue and Gwynn Oak Avenue in the Howard Park community of Baltimore City. In order to fully accommodate the proposed supermarket footprint, portions of Maine Avenue and a 10-foot alley need to be closed to public use and incorporated into the development parcel. City Council Bill 13-0183, if approved, would condemn and close the following portions of rights-of-way to public use:

- An approximately 50 foot by 314.8 foot by 173.3 foot by 50 foot by 155.9 foot by 300 foot portion of Maine Avenue, located between Hillsdale Road and Gwynn Oak Avenue; and
- An approximately 10 foot by 315.7 foot by 77.8 foot by 10 fot by 75.2 foot by 314 foot alley, located between Hillsdale Road and Gwynn Oak Avenue and to the rear of the properties known as 4600 through 4612 Maine Avenue.

Any municipal utilities that are not abandoned or relocated from these rights-of-way are protected under Sections 3 and 4 of the legislation.



The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council February 12, 2013 Page 2

The Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 13-0183.

Respectfully,

STEVE SHARKEY ACTING DIRECTOR

SS/MMC:ela