

MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE,

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

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From:

Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

October 9, 2013

Re:

City Council Bill 13-0228 - Franchise - Private Pipelines Under and Across or Over and Across Portions of the South Clinton Street, South Highland Avenue, South Haven Street, Boston Street, O'Donnell Street, Eastern Avenue, East Lombard Street, and Pulaski

Highway Rights-of-Way

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 13-0228, which was introduced for the purpose of granting a franchise to Petroleum Fuel & Terminal Company, to construct, use, and maintain private pipelines under and across or over and across portions of the 1600 block of South Clinton Street, the 1600 block of South Highland Avenue, the 1400 block of South Haven Street, the 4100 block of Boston Street, the 4100 block of O'Donnell Street, the 4400 block of Eastern Avenue, the 4500 block of East Lombard Street, and the 5100 block of Pulaski Highway rights-of-way, connecting the Company's North Terminal at 5101 Erdman Avenue to the Company's South Terminal at 1622 South Clinton Street, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; repealing Ordinance 55-1462, Ordinance 79-1157, and Ordinance 82-851; and providing for a special effective date.

This bill, if enacted, would grant easements to Petroleum Fuel & Terminal Company (PF&T) to construct, use and maintain private pipelines under and across or over and across portions of certain city rights-of-way for the purpose of running a pipeline between PF&T's North Terminal and South Terminal. Specifically, this bill would reauthorize and consolidate all existing pipeline franchise ordinances into the instant legislation, as well as granting additional franchise rights for a new right-of-way crossing of Haven Street at a location approximately 440 feet south of Boston Street. It is the understanding of HCD that the franchise authority would be granted for an additional 265 years and is anticipated to bring in \$15,091.64 in annual franchise fees at the relevant rate most recently set by the Board of Estimates.

The Department of Housing and Community Development respectfully defers its position on City Council Bill 13-0228 to the Department of Planning.

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CC:

Ms. Angela Gibson, City Council Liaison, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Chief, Economic Development