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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 14-0358	

CITY of BALTIMORE





TO

DATE:

April 29, 2014

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 14-0358 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development).

The purpose of the Bill is to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property known as 31 South Payson Street (Block 0224 Lot 016) and no longer needed for public use.

The subject property is located on the east side of South Payson Street, between Frederick Avenue and Hollins Street. The property includes a vacant structure that is a former Enoch Pratt branch library and a paved parking area with ingress and egress on Frederick Avenue and South Payson Street. Our utility records show a storm drain crossing the property beginning at the southwest corner of the lot, extending approximately midway into the property and terminating at a manhole. Should the City sell this parcel, it will be necessary to include an easement in the final deed of sale to allow continued access to this City-owned and maintained utility.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 14-0358 subject to an easement for the City-owned utility located within the parcel.

Sincerely,

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