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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 14-0405	MEMO	1797

The Honorable President and Members of the City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 City Hall

July 31, 2014

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 14-0405, Sale of Property - 700 North Eutaw Street, which authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property known as 700 North Eutaw Street (Ward 11, Section 08, Block 500, Lot 009) and no longer needed for public use; and provides for a special effective date.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) has no objections to the passage of this bill.

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) offered the subject property, a decommissioned and surplus firehouse, through a Request for Proposals process in March 2011. The property was awarded to Property Consulting, Inc. for its redevelopment of the firehouse into artists' studios and a café and market. This disposition will enable BDC to move forward with its Land Disposition Agreement with Property Consulting and bring this exciting project to fruition.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,

William M. Johnson

Director

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