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December 30, 2014

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Natawna Austin

Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 14-0451 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of General Services).

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 a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Creek Alley, extending from West West Street Northeasterly 330 feet, more or less to West Cross Street, and no longer needed for public use.

The subject alley is located within the block bounded by West Cross Street, Race Street, West West Street and Leadenhall Street in the Sharp Leadenhall neighborhood. The alley is approximately 20 feet wide by 330 feet long and located perpendicular to and between West West Street and West Cross Street. Companion legislation (City Council Bill 14-0450) would close this portion of alley to public use.

The requestor, Caves Valley Partners, owns or has under contract the properties adjacent to the portion of Creek Alley proposed for closure. It is the intent of the requestor to purchase the alley bed and incorporate it with the adjacent parcels to create a development parcel. Caves Valley Partners plans to construct a mixed use development to be known as Stadium Square. Any Cityowned utilities not to be abandoned or relocated in the former alley bed are protected in lines 1 and 2 of page 2 of the legislation.

The Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 14-0451 provided the companion alley closing ordinance is approved.

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