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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 15-0563

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TO

DATE: October 26, 2015

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 15-0563 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of Transportation).

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 located in Block 6840 adjacent to Lot 1/22 that is part of the former bed of Cardiff Avenue and no longer needed for public use.

The subject property is adjacent to Lot 1/22 (Block 6840), also formerly the bed of Cardiff Avenue. Lot 1/22 abuts the east side of the Ponca Street right-of-way and the southern property line of the property known as 4901 Boston Street. City Council Bill 15-0563 would grant authority to sell a delineated 50 foot wide by 70 foot long portion of the former bed of Cardiff Avenue adjacent to Lot 1/22's east property line. Both Lot 1/22 and the delineated parcel that is proposed to be sold were part of the Cardiff Avenue right-of-way closed under Ordinance 168 of 1955. A review of our records determined that a water line and sanitary sewer line cross Lot 1/22 and the adjacent parcel proposed to be sold. Should this authorization to sell be approved, the existing utilities would either need to be protected under a full width easement or relocated at the expense of the purchaser.

The Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 15-0563 provided that the aforementioned utilities are protected as part of the deed of sale.



Sincerely,

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Director

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