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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 15-0600 introduced by Councilmember Kraft at the request of the Greektown LLC.

The purpose of this Bill is to approve certain amendments to the Development Plan of the Greektown Redevelopment Planned Unit Development.

Ordinance 06-192 established the Greektown Redevelopment Residential Planned Unit Development (PUD) in March 2006. This PUD is located in the southwest corner of the Greektown neighborhood and is bounded by Foster Avenue to the north, Oldham Street to the east, O'Donnell Street to the south, and the CSX right-of-way to the west. It consists of approximately 13.5 acres.

The Greektown PUD is divided into Section A, which is mostly developed, and Section B, which is currently unimproved. Section B, the subject area, allows for all permitted and conditional uses of O-R, B-1, and B-2 zoning districts with the exception of certain uses such as dwellings, apartment hotels, rooming houses, foster homes, fraternity and sorority houses, housing for the elderly, and other similar uses.

The Greektown PUD was last amended by Ordinance 15-352 which allows for one drive-in restaurant (including window service) as a permitted use in Section B with the intent to attract a coffee shop to the location. That Ordinance also added "live entertainment and dancing" to the list of uses that would not be permitted in Section B.

City Council Bill 15-0600, if adopted, would delete "dwellings" from the list of uses that are currently not permitted in Section B of the PUD. This amendment would enable the developer, the applicant, to construct approximately 13 dwellings in the section of the PUD at 4526 O'Donnell Street, an area of about 50' x 311'.

It is this Department's understanding that the project is supported by the surrounding associations of the Greektown Development Corporation and the Greater Greektown Neighborhood Alliance and that it received a favorable vote from the Planning Commission. Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 15-0600.

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Sincerely,

Rudolph S. Chow, P.E.

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