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	SUBJECT	<b>CITY COUNCIL BILL 16-0746</b>

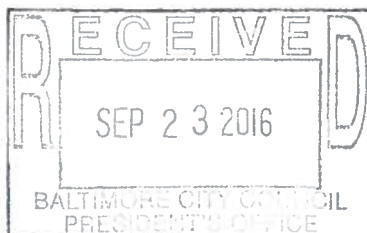
CITY of  
BALTIMORE  
**MEMO**



**TO**

DATE: September 21, 2016

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 16-0746 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 certain parcels of land known as a portion of South Eden Street, extending from Lancaster Street northerly 308 feet, more or less, to Aliceanna Street, and a portion of Aliceanna Street, extending from South Central Avenue easterly 170 feet, more or less, to South Eden Street, and no longer needed for public use.

City Council Bill 16-0746 would grant the City authority to sell the following two parcels created via opening and closing portions of rights-of-way to public use under companion legislation (City Council Bills 16-0744 and 16-0745):

- An approximately 14-foot wide by 300-foot long portion of the west side of the S. Eden Street right-of-way, located perpendicular to and between Aliceanna and Lancaster Streets; and
- An approximately 6-foot wide by 170-foot long portion of the south side of the Aliceanna Street right-of-way, located perpendicular to and between S. Central Avenue and S. Eden Street, and abutting the north property line of the property known as 711 S. Central Avenue.

Whole Foods is located at 711 S. Central Avenue, the property adjacent to the former rights-of-way proposed to be closed. The company would like to acquire these former rights-of-way to provide sufficient access to their business and sufficient access for commercial vehicles that serve their business. Utility records show that conduits may be located in or near the portions of rights-of-way that, if not abandoned or relocated, would require continued access for maintenance purposes.

*No obj, comments*

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Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 16-0746 provided the companion legislation granting closure of the right-of-way is approved and that accommodation for any public utilities remaining in this area is protected under a full width perpetual easement.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. S. Chow, P.E.", written in a cursive style.

Rudolph S. Chow, P.E.  
Director

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