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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Attn: Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> Re: City Council Bill 18-0280 – Sale of Property – Former Bed of Dillon Street

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 18-0280 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the City to sell its interest in the former bed of Dillon Street described in the bill, declaring it no longer needed for public use. The sale will be subject to a full width perpetual easement for utilities and services.

Section 5(b) of Article V of the City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to sell any interest in property that the Mayor and City Council deems by ordinance no longer needed for public use, if that sale is approved by the Board of Estimates.

The Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

Chief Solicitor

cc: Andre M. Davis, City Solicitor

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