November 5, 2020

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 20-0610 – Repeal- Reisterstown Road Plaza Transit

Station Urban Renewal Area and Plan

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 20-0610 for form and legal

sufficiency. The bill repeals the Reisterstown Road Plaza Transit Station Urban Renewal Area and Plan. Section 2-6(g)(l) of Article 13 of the City Code requires that any change to an Urban

Renewal Plan be made by ordinance. This bill is the appropriate mechanism for repealing the

Carroll Camden Urban Renewal Plan (the "Plan"). *See, e.g., Mayor and City Council of Baltimore v. Neighborhood Rentals, Inc.*, 170 Md. App. 671, 683 (2006) (nothing "prohibits, either expressly or impliedly, a future city council from lengthening or shortening the life of [any Urban Renewal]Plan or terminating it altogether.").

The Law Department therefore is prepared to approve the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,



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