



Maryland Department of Planning

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December 18, 2012

Thomas Stosur, Director of Planning
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Dear Mr. Stosur,

RE: MDP's review of adopted tier maps; No comments

Thank you for providing the Department of Planning with a copy of Baltimore City's Growth Tier Map administratively adopted by Baltimore City, as indicated in your letter dated November 13, 2012. This action establishes growth tiers under the Maryland Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 for Baltimore City.

The Act allows the Department to comment on mapped growth tiers when the Department determines that the growth tiers do not meet the criteria established by the Act.

The Maryland Department of Planning is pleased to advise you that the map adopted by Baltimore City satisfies the criteria for designation of growth tiers under the Maryland Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012. The Department therefore has no comments on the adopted map.

Please be advised that the growth tiers shall be incorporated into the City's comprehensive plan or an element of the plan when the City conducts its six year review of the plan. If the growth tiers are not incorporated into the comprehensive plan or an element of the plan during that 6-year review, Senate Bill 236 provides that the growth tiers may not be considered as adopted and the restrictions on major subdivisions outside sewer areas shall apply.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Rich Josephson
Director of Planning Services

Martin O'Malley, Governor
Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor

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Matthew J. Power, Deputy Secretary

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