

# SoBoImCo

South Baltimore Improvement Committee • August 2006



## CLEAN & GREEN

### New Garbage Collection Time to Begin in Federal Hill Business District

Federal Hill Main Street, in its ongoing effort to improve the business district, has been working to clean up the district on many fronts. We are pleased to announce a new program in the fight against grime: "Keep Federal Hill Clean and Green," a comprehensive plan that touches all aspects related to keeping the business district clean and beautiful. Initiated in May 2006, the program has already begun in earnest and will become more public in the following months.

One of the key tasks for the Keep Federal Hill Clean and Green campaign is to work with the City of Baltimore in scheduling a new garbage collection time of 10:00 am within the business district's boundaries. The business district's boundaries are Montgomery Street to the north, Ostend Street to the south, Light Street to the east, and Charles Street to the west. Residents and businesses within the business district may have already noticed that the collection crews have begun garbage collection later on Tuesday and Friday mornings. The 10:00 am collection time allows businesses and residents within the business district to place their garbage out on the street on the morning of collection and not the night before. By reducing the number of

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## GET OUT!

**Shakespeare on the Hill**

**July 28th, 29th, 30th**

*Federal Hill Park*

Featuring *Two Gentlemen of Verona*.

Children's event starts at 7pm, main event starts at 8pm. See page 6 for details.

**Live at Cross Street**

**Friday, August 4th**

*Cross Street, next to the Market*

Featuring Love Seed Mama Jump with \$3 cover & \$3 drink specials.

**Morning Canoe Escape**

**Saturdays, August 5th & 19th**

**10 a.m.—**

*Middle Branch Park*

Paddle the quiet waters of Baltimore's other harbor. Pre-registration required; please call at least 24 hours in advance at (410) 396-0440. Canoes and vest provided. Admission is \$5.

**Open House at Cylburn Mansion**

**Saturday, August 12th &**

**Sunday, August 13th**

**10 a.m.-noon,**

**Garden Walk at 12:15 p.m.**

*Cylburn Arboretum*

Visit the beautifully renovated 19th century Cylburn Mansion and talk with tour guides about the history of the Cylburn Estate and the people who have lived here. This event is FREE and open to the public.

**Comprehensive Zoning Study**

**Tuesday, August 15th**

**7:00p.m.**

*Thomas Johnson Elementary School*

Come discuss and decide the future of development in South Baltimore. See page 10 for details.

**Neighborhood Cleanup**

**Saturday, August 26th**

**8:00a.m.—**

*Corner of Randall & Race Streets*

Gloves, brooms and bags provided.

## OOPS!

We goofed—the wrong dates for paper recycling were printed in July's newsletter. It's always the 2nd & 4th Friday, though!

## COMMUNITY MEETING

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday, August 1st, 2006**

7:30 p.m. at Olive Branch  
United Methodist Church

(corner of Charles & Fort Ave. S.)

**Guest Speaker:**

Natasha Poole

Baltimore City Planning Department

To discuss upcoming Zoning Study  
meeting in South Baltimore

## RECYCLING DAYS

Paper recycling is the 2nd & 4th  
Fridays, August 11th & 25th



Bottles, Cans & Jars  
are the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

Mondays, August 14th & 28th  
All recycling collected streetside



### SoBoImCo

SoBoImCo is a monthly production of the South Baltimore Improvement Committee, Inc. whose mission is "to encourage, through regular meetings, the formal exchange of ideas; to work with local law enforcement in promoting safety; and to assist individuals and families in the continuing process of neighborhood renewal." We welcome articles, ads and photo submissions via mail or email:

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We reserve the right to edit or reject submissions. Articles represent the opinions of the authors and not necessarily those of SoBoImCo. We believe all sources of information are reliable, however, we do not guarantee completeness or accuracy.

### Membership

Residents of South Baltimore are encouraged to become members of SBIC. Just contact an SBIC officer for more information.

### Meetings

Community meetings of SBIC are usually held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Olive Branch United Methodist Church located at the corner of Charles Street and Fort Avenue.

### Website

www.soboimco.org

## SANITATION & BEAUTIFICATION

By Amy Mutch

Happy summer to all SBIC neighbors. Just keeping plants and flowers adequately watered has been a chore in July unless you've planted geraniums. The dry heat seems to suit them fine! Thank you to those special individuals who take the time to care for a neighbors flower pot while away on vacation.

Speaking of vacations, let us make greater efforts to keep all trash property contained so our water-ways can be a show case and enjoyed by residents and visitors to our city. Trash littering the streets of South Baltimore will pollute the Chesapeake Bay. When trash bags are improperly placed at curbside allowing rats to tear open the plastic everyone loses except the rat.

Attention dog owners! Dog feces placed in a neighbors trash can is an inconsiderate action. Please take the bag home and dispose in a well sealed can. The use of a public receptacle is repulsive to those who live adjacent to the container. The bocci ball court trash can is generally filled with dog feces causing extreme odor and flies!

The Examiner newspaper is trying to improve the delivery service to our neighborhood. John Poskocil is our Zone manager and will respond to any concerns you may have regarding delivery issues. His email address is: jposkocil@baltimoreexaminer.com.

EXTREME CLEAN is the new challenge and motto for the SBIC Sanitation/ Beautification committee. Anyone believing in the possibility of a cleaner living environment is invited to join our efforts by signing up as a block captain. Call Amy Mutch 410-468-0118 or email: amyemutch@yahoo.com.

In an effort to address another of our neighborhood's problem areas, our next clean up is scheduled for Saturday, August 26th at the corner of Randall & Race Streets, with a focus on cleaning adjacent to the train tracks. We will start early at 8am to beat the heat and have the afternoon for enjoyment.

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## LOTS HAPPENINGS AT THE LIGHT STREET BRANCH LIBRARY

### SUMMER READING CLUBS! SIGN UP ANY TIME FOR SUMMER READING FUN!

We have programs for babies through adults – read, participate, learn, enjoy, and get prizes! Visit the Information Desk at the Light Street Branch for details.

#### This summer's line-up of programs:

#### AWESOME ACTING WORKSHOP

Thursday, August 3, 1 – 3 pm

Ages 10 –17. Do you think that you are the next big stage or screen star? Come learn proper acting techniques by participating in role playing exercises designed to increase your acting skills. Space is limited. Call 410-396-1096 to register.

#### CLOWNING AROUND WITH SHAKESPEARE

Saturday, August 5, 2 p.m.

Learn about the clowns in Shakespeare's works in this one-person show, told by Will Kemp, one of Shakespeare's actors.

### GET A CLUE SUMMER READING BASH

Monday, August 7, 6:15 pm

Young Adults & Adults. Celebrate the end of summer reading & test your super sleuth skills.

### AQUARIUM ON WHEELS: WHERE'S MY MOMMY?

Tuesday, August 8, 11 am

A baby Osprey is lost & looking for his way home to his mother. Come with him on his journey, meeting many animals of the Chesapeake Bay, including the Great Blue Heron & the Muskrat. Visit the hands-on Discovery Lab to play games & meet live Chesapeake Bay animals.

### LASERFACE

Tuesday, August 8, 3-5 pm

Ages 10 – 17. Experience a laser light show. Also learn the basics of puppetry & juggling in this fascinating workshop. Space is limited. Call 410-396-1096 to register.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIGHT STREET BRANCH

Thursday, August 10, 6:15 pm

Monthly Friends meeting. New faces are always welcome. Become a Friend and make a difference in your community.

### CLUE INTO READING SUMMER SOCIAL

Monday, August 14, 6:30 pm

Ages 0-10. Join us for mysterious fun & games celebrating young summer readers.

### 5 INVESTOR PITFALLS

Thursday, August 17, 6:30 pm

Angele Shaffer-Beacher with Lincoln Financial Advisors will present an educational workshop explaining the five most common investor pitfalls and how to avoid them.

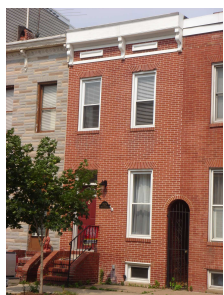
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## YOU KNOW YOU'RE A SOUTH BALTIMOREAN IF YOU:

- Burn more gas circling the block for a parking spot than commuting to work.
- Time your trips to the grocery store for the third quarter during football season.
- Go to the local bars Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, mostly so you don't have to leave your parking spot.
- Sit on your front steps and cheer on the Meter Maid for giving parking tickets.
- Would rather watch the tow trucks hook up a car with no parking permit than the Game on TV.

All joking aside, we know that parking in the neighborhood is getting worse, but there is something we can do about it. For those of us in Area A and Area 30 parking, we need to start addressing the issue of off-street parking. The Parking Authority has a little-used rule that requires off-street parking spaces to be used in lieu of issuing a parking permit. For example: if a property has one off-street parking spaces (either a parking pad or garage), the first vehicle registered to that address would not receive a parking decal, but any vehicles registered thereafter would, and every property would be eligible for the same number of visitor's passes. The tricky part of enforcing this rule is that it requires a thorough survey of off-street parking spaces by the neighborhood itself, which requires volunteers.

If you're interested in helping to take stock of the neighborhood, even if it's just your block, please contact Cynthia at 410.466.5686.

## SBIC NEWSLETTER GOES ELECTRONIC

You can now receive an electronic copy of the SBIC newsletter in your email. Please visit our website at [www.soboimco.org](http://www.soboimco.org) and follow the links to join our newsgroup. By joining the newsgroup, you will receive a copy of the SBIC newsletter in your email and stay abreast of community news.

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## C.O.P. WALKS

Are you worried about crime in the neighborhood? You can change things by getting together with neighbors who share your worries. Anyone and everyone can take the most basic actions, like reporting suspicious behavior or crimes in progress to the police. Whatever the contribution of time, energy, talent, and resources you can make, small or large, it will help! Citizens on Patrol (COP) is just one way you can help in making our streets smarter and safer. Take a stand and help protect your neighborhood!

Current schedule is:

### **SHARP-LEADENHALL/ OTTERBEIN**

Wednesday, August 2nd at 7pm  
*Meet at the corner of Sharp St. & Henrietta*

### **CHERRY HILL**

Monday, August 7th at 7pm  
*Meet at Cherry Hill Senior Manor, 918 Cherry Hill Rd.*

### **LOCUST POINT**

Thursday, August 10th at 7pm  
*Meet at Our Lady of Good Council, corner of Fort Ave & Towson Sts.*

### **CARROLLTON RIDGE**

Tuesday, August 15th at 7pm  
*Meet at the Samuel F.B. Morse Recreation Center, corner of the 400 blk of South Pulaski/2100 block of Ashton Streets*

### **CHERRY HILL**

Monday, August 21st at 7pm  
*Meet at parking lot across from Southern District Police Station.*

### **PIGTOWN**

Wednesday, August 23rd, 7pm  
*Meet at The Bath House, 904 Washington Blvd.*

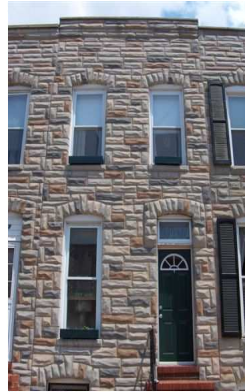
### **CURTIS BAY**

Monday, August 28th, 7pm.  
*Meet at 1600 block Hazel St., near Sooner's Bar*

### **BROOKLYN**

Thursday, August 31st at 7pm  
*Meet at old Wendy's parking lot; 600 blk Patapsco Ave.*

Please visit the Southern District Police Community Relations Council website for the latest COP scheduled updates. [www.sdpcrc.org](http://www.sdpcrc.org).



## **1431 Patapsco Street \$308,000**

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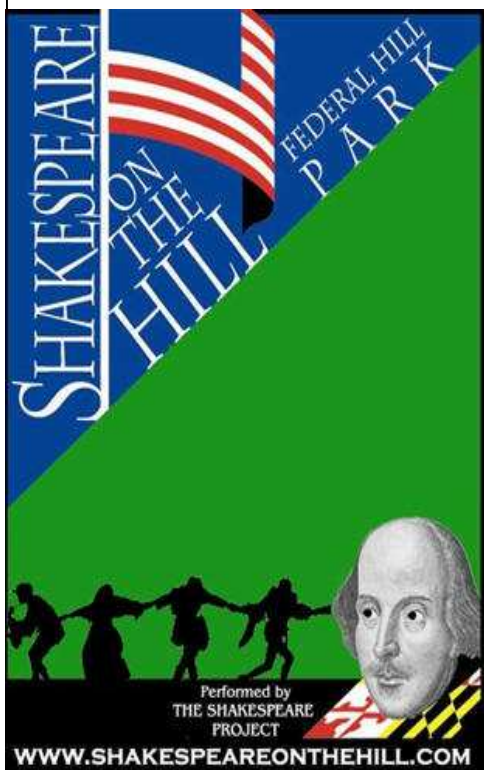
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## **JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BALTIMORE NEW MEMBER OPEN HOUSE**

When was the last time you did something for yourself, like meeting a new friend or developing your leadership skills? Would you like to get more involved in the Baltimore community through making the lives of women in children in South Baltimore, Hampden, and Govans? Women in the Junior League of Baltimore do these things every day! Get more information about our programs, our contribution to the community, our cadre of trained volunteers, and how to join us at our next membership open house and information night our thrift store, The Wise Penny, located at 5902 York Road, on August 22nd from 6:30p.m.—8:30p.m.

**The Junior League of Baltimore, Inc.** is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. For nearly a century, the Junior League of Baltimore has been taking on tough issues and making a difference in Baltimore with members-initiated many programs such as: the Ronald McDonald House, Parents Anonymous of Maryland, the Waxter Center for Senior Citizens, Pets on Wheels, Santa Claus Anonymous and the Hampden Family Center. The Junior League works with community partners to establish programs and activities that will provide systemic change in these neighborhoods. With a mission-driven emphasis on training volunteers and developing the potential of women, the Junior League has touched not only the Baltimore community it serves, but tens of thousands of women who have been members. *For additional information on the Junior League of Baltimore, please contact Erika Haws at 410-499-2901 or visit [www.jlbalt.org](http://www.jlbalt.org).*

# IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD



Shakespeare On The Hill will rank in the top five significant cultural events in the city this year and can expect to attract thousands of visitors for the productions that will run **July 28, 29 and 30**. Also, because the city of Baltimore attracts so many tourists at this time of year, the event will acquire a national and international dimension as visitors to Baltimore's Inner Harbor are drawn in by this landmark event.

An evening of the Shakespeare On The Hill is a unique experience. Prior to the performance, members of the audience can picnic in this idyllic setting, before sitting back to enjoy an evening of dynamic and highly visual theatre.

The productions themselves are vivid and spectacular, and are performed in full period costume with live Elizabethan music. Imperceptibly the evening passes from a glorious summer evening to dusk and then to night. The moon rises to provide additional lighting in a way that no theatre could match. Following the performance the audiences from each venue return to the heart of Baltimore, Federal Hill and The Inner Harbor and its many bars and restaurants to end a perfect evening.

Join us for the third season of free Shakespeare On The Hill atop Federal Hill Park. **Two Gentlemen of Verona** is the featured Shakespeare plays for the 2006 season. Preceding these headline plays on Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be an hour long performance designed for children of all ages. The event will kickoff at 6:30PM and the headline plays will begin at 8PM and run approximately two hours.

Visit [www.shakespeareonthehill.com](http://www.shakespeareonthehill.com) for more information.

# WHAT'S COOKIN'

Submitted by Erika Haws

## Remoulade Sauce

Makes 1 and a half cups

This sauce originated in France and this variation is a favorite of New Orleanians. My all-time favorite way to eat this is over a simple lettuce and tomato salad. However, since I've recently discovered that I do like seafood, I'm warming up to the traditional cool shrimp and remoulade appetizer. I have also been told that it is delicious with crab-cakes.

2 egg yolks

1/4 cup vegetable oil

1/2 cup celery chopped very fine

1/2 cup green onions chopped  
chopped very fine

1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

1/4 cup grated fresh horseradish. If that is unavailable, prepared horseradish will work just fine.

1/4 lemon, seeded

1 crumbled bay leaf

2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

1 tablespoon prepared mustard

1 tablespoon white vinegar

1 tablespoon Tabasco sauce

1 tablespoon minced garlic

2 teaspoons sweet paprika

1 teaspoon salt

Beat the egg yolks for two minutes in a blender.

Add oil in a stream and continue blending.

Add the remaining ingredients at once.

Beat until well-mixed.

Chill. I like to chill overnight for the best flavor but it is really a matter of personal taste. As long as it is chilled completely through it is just fine.



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watching the ducks.

She was originally adopted from the shelter in January, but her family brought her back on 6/20 because they didn't have time for a puppy.

8 months old, Border collie mix. 31 lbs.



### Gilbert, kennel #73

Quick...Gilbert is making his escape! Could it be to your heart? This sweet tabby wants to go home so badly. He is young and curious and wants to explore (in a home of course) to his heart's content. Do you have room in your heart for this little explorer?

Poor Gilbert had injury so he had to have a pin put in his leg — but that has not slowed him down. The vet who worked on him reports that he is a good cat! Already neutered so he can go home today!

1 year old, Gray tabby. 10 lbs. Brought to the shelter on 3/25 — he has been here the longest of all animals. It's hard to compete with the summer rush of kittens.

To learn how to adopt these orphans, stop by BARCS at 301 Stockholm St (near Ravens Stadium), phone 410-396-4688 or visit [BaltimoreAnimalShelter.org](http://BaltimoreAnimalShelter.org)

## ADOPTION MEET & GREET!!!



Stop by Lucky Lucy's Canine Café at 1126 S. Charles St. to learn about the next adoption event and get to meet an adoptable dog from BARCS like those featured above. Call Lucky Lucy's for more info: (410) 837-2121



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Aug. 4—6 vs. NY Yankees  
Aug. 18—20 vs. Toronto  
Aug. 22—24 vs. Minnesota  
Aug. 25—27 vs. Tampa Bay

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ours that garbage is left outside, we will greatly reduce the associated problems created by weather, vermin, and people rifling through the trash. This new collection time applies to recycling pick-ups as well.

The Keep Federal Hill Clean and Green program has also accomplished a number of other goals in helping to make our neighborhood and business district clean. Those accomplishments include:

- o The business district is now swept by a City employee Monday through Friday and is monitored by a supervisor throughout the day.

- o An inmate cleaning crew sweeps the business district on Saturdays. They also perform other cleaning duties including cleaning out the corner garbage cans, cleaning alleys and other streets not necessarily within the business district.

- o Corner garbage cans have been

removed from primarily residential corners where there was repeated dumping and abuse. The cans have been placed, instead, in the heart of the business district and at the major gateways to the ball parks. We have already noticed a significant improvement in the cleanliness of these areas as well as improved collections of the cans in general.

- o Monthly meetings have been initiated by Federal Hill Main Street between the heads of the City Collections and Enforcement Departments that serve our area in order to ensure that we achieve consistent results and improve upon the progress already made. These meetings have proved invaluable and we thank the people at the City of Baltimore's Department of Public Works for their cooperation and perseverance.

Sanitation offenses are being tracked and monetary fines will be increased for businesses and residents that are repeat offenders. If the offending property owners do not address their infractions, the health department will

visit the site.

As the Keep Federal Hill Clean and Green campaign gets underway, a number of initiatives will be undertaken in coordination with area neighborhood associations, focusing on the key components of education, enforcement, maintenance, and beautification. Please visit the Main Street web site at [www.historicfederalhill.org](http://www.historicfederalhill.org) to view the complete "Keep Federal Hill Clean and Green Campaign Strategy."

Thousands of volunteer hours have already been invested in making the Keep Federal Hill Clean and Green campaign a reality. But, to make it successful, Federal Hill Main Street needs your support. If you would like to make a difference in our neighborhood, join Federal Hill Main Street and volunteer a few hours a month to help fulfill the goals of the campaign. We can all work together and you can help make a difference in your neighborhood.

#### About Federal Hill Main Street

Federal Hill Main Street, Inc., an IRS Code 501(c)(3) nonprofit Maryland corporation, is one of the seven nonprofit urban revitalization programs created in Baltimore City in October of 2000. Modeled after the National Main Street program, (created by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 1977), Federal Hill Main Street's purpose is to revitalize this urban business community in ways that will preserve its unique and historic character. It is a comprehensive, common-sense process that deals with problems and takes advantage of opportunities to stimulate and maintain economic development.

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## THIRD THURSDAY

The Southern District Police Community Relations Council invites you to The Third Thursday. Join us on Thursday, August 17, 2006 at 7:00p.m. for our monthly meeting. Agenda includes:

#### The Southern District Update

Major Eric Jordan & Deputy Major Michael McDonald

#### C.O.P. Update

Shannon Sullivan

#### Guest speakers - Our State Delegation

The Maryland State Senate - 46th District - Baltimore City

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## SALES TAX HOLIDAY AUGUST 23RD-27TH

From August 23 through August 27, 2006, qualifying clothing and footwear sold in Maryland and priced at \$100 or less will be exempt from Maryland's 5 percent sales and use tax. The five-day Sales Tax Holiday event gives Maryland shoppers a unique, money-saving incentive to shop in state for back-to-school, summer clearance, fall fashion, and other purchases, while helping Maryland merchants compete with retail markets in neighboring states.

Certain clothing and footwear designed to be worn on or about the human body will be eligible for the sales tax exemption. Qualifying apparel include belts, coats, jackets, pants, shoes, socks and sweaters. Special clothing or footwear designed primarily for protective use and not for normal wear, such as football pads, do not qualify. In addition, accessory items such as

handbags, jewelry, ties, and umbrellas do not qualify and remain taxable.

Each qualifying article of clothing or footwear selling for \$100 or less will be exempt, regardless of how many items are sold at the same time. For example, two \$60 sweaters sold at the same time are both exempt, even though the total purchase price is more than \$100.

Items that cost more than \$100 will be taxable, even if they would otherwise be eligible. The first \$100 of a more expensive item is not tax-free. If the item costs \$110, sales tax is due on the entire \$110.

For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday, click on the links below or call 410-260-7980 from Central Maryland or 1-800-MD TAXES from elsewhere in Maryland, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



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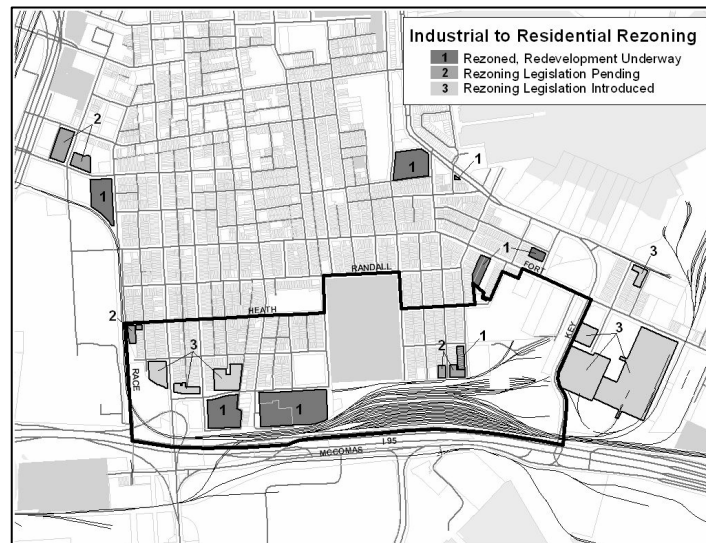


# SOUTH BALTIMORE AREA ZONING STUDY

The Baltimore City Department of Planning has begun a study of existing zoning within the South Baltimore area (a map depicting the study area's boundaries is attached for reference). This study was precipitated by numerous redevelopment proposals for either residential or business projects on land that is currently zoned for Industrial use. The goal of the study will be to formulate zoning recommendations for the area, but any suggested rezonings will not be initiated by the Department itself. Rather, the resulting document will serve as a guide plan with which pending and future rezoning requests must conform. The study will be the topic of a meeting, which you are invited to attend:

**Tuesday, August 15th – 7:00 PM**  
**Thomas Johnson Elementary School**  
**100 E. Heath Street**

**Background:** With market forces working to spur new housing development, Industrial properties in South Baltimore have been increasingly speculated upon for conversion to Residential use. The Department of Planning has been supportive of a number of requests for rezonings to Residential that allowed for new housing development within the context of existing neighborhoods, and on lots that were no longer viable for Industrial use. There is pending legislation that has been referred to the Department that – for the first time – requests rezoning to various Business use categories. There are four major zoning categories: Residential (R), Office-Residential (OR), Business (B), and Industrial (M). All zones permit residential uses EXCEPT the Industrial categories. In order to evaluate this demand for new development, the Department has begun to look at zoning within the area roughly bounded by Heath, Randall, and Fort Avenue to the north, the I-95 overpass to the south, Key Highway to the east, and Race Street to the west.



The following three pieces of rezoning legislation have been introduced:

- ✦ City Council Bill #06-0375 – Rezoning 2/40 East Wells Street from M-2-2 to R-8
- ✦ City Council Bill #06-0376 – Rezoning 1800 South Hanover Street from M-2-2 to B-2-4
- ✦ City Council Bill #06-0377 – Rezoning 1834 South Charles Street from M-2-2 to B-2-3

Rezoning requests must meet certain legal standards for review and should not be initiated without sufficient findings to warrant the rezoning. By conducting a comprehensive study of the area, we hope to gain your input on the important questions of what uses should be permitted and what the physical pattern of development should be, such as building heights and densities. We will use this input to formulate policy recommendations that will ultimately be presented to the Planning Commission for their consideration.

If you have questions regarding this study, contact David Fowler, Baltimore City Department of Planning, 410-396-5171, [david.fowler@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:david.fowler@baltimorecity.gov) or Natasha Poole, Baltimore City Department of Planning, 410-396-1453,