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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

The Honorable Linda W. Cropp

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM:

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Chief Financial Officer

DATE:

OCT 20 2006

**SUBJECT:** 

Fiscal Impact Statement: "NoMA Vision Plan and

Development Strategy Approval Resolution of 2006"

REFERENCE:

**Draft Resolution - Bill Number Not Available** 

#### Conclusion

There is no fiscal impact at this time associated with the provisions of the proposed NoMA Vision Plan and Development Strategy Approval Resolution of 2006. Any activities related to the plan and development strategy and undertaken by District agencies will need to be budgeted and appropriated in future years.

### Background

The proposed resolution would supplement the proposed District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan Act of 2006 by providing detailed planning and development direction for portions of Wards 5 and 6 referred to as "North of Massachusetts Avenue" (NoMA).

The "NoMA Vision Plan and Development Strategy" (NoMA Plan) is the culmination of 12-month planning process with the goal of developing a strategy to facilitate the creation of a walkable, transit-accessible, dynamic, and diverse neighborhood in the NoMA area. The NoMA Plan is designed to coordinate public and private resources to guide a strategy involving six areas of development in the NoMA area – land use mix, transportation and infrastructure, public realm and open space, identity and building design, existing neighborhoods, and environment and sustainability.

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## Financial Plan Impact

The NoMA Plan contains an extensive collection of information, goals, policies, and action steps to guide elected officials, District agencies, residents, businesses, and developers in planning the NoMA's future development. Activities not documented in this fiscal impact statement but related to the plan and undertaken by District agencies will need to be budgeted in future years.

The D.C. Office of Planning indicates that, beginning in FY 2007, at least seven D.C. government agencies or entities – Office of Planning, Deputy Mayor's Office for Planning and Economic Development, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, District Department of Transportation, the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority, Community Improvement District, and the Zoning Commission – will be responsible for implementing parts of the NoMA Plan. Any activities related to the plan and undertaken by these District entities, and any others, will need to be funded with existing resources and/or budgeted in future years.