# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Chief Financial Officer



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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

The Honorable Vincent C. Gray

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM:

Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

DATE:

SEP 26 2008

**SUBJECT:** 

Fiscal Impact Statement: "Brookland/CUA Metro Station Small Area

Plan Approval Resolution of 2008"

REFERENCE:

**Draft - No Resolution Number Available** 

#### Conclusion

There is no fiscal impact at this time with the enactment of the proposed resolution. Implementing any of the public investment strategies identified in the Brookland/CUA Metro Station Small Area Plan ("Plan"), dated August 2008, would need to be budgeted and appropriated in future years or absorbed in existing agency budgets.

# **Background**

The proposed resolution would approve the proposed Brookland/CUA Metro Station Small Area Plan ("Plan"), as submitted to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) on September 18, 2008.

The stated purpose of the Plan is to guide growth, development, and revitalization of underutilized areas within a quarter mile or ten minute walk of the Brookland/CUA Metro Station, including the Metro Station itself. The Plan identifies near and mid-term strategies for revitalization and articulates broad development goals, urban design and definitive priority actions deemed critical to the revitalization of the areas identified in the Plan. The guiding principles of the Plan are grouped into four areas that include: land use and neighborhood character; economic development and neighborhood amenities; transportation, walkability, and connectivity; and green space, open space, and environment. The Plan is also intended to provide

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supplemental guidance to the Zoning Commission and other District agencies in carrying out the policies of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan.

The Plan provides a strategic framework for implementing recommendations in the plan area—including those that would require public investment--but does *not commit* District resources to implement such recommendations. Public expenditures intended to realize the goals and strategies identified in the Plan are subject to the applicable laws relating to the appropriation of District funds.

# Financial Plan Impact

There is no fiscal impact at this time with the enactment of the proposed resolution. Implementing any of the public investment strategies identified in the Plan, dated August 2008, would need to be budgeted and appropriated in future years or absorbed in existing agency budgets.

Federal and District anti-deficiency laws<sup>1</sup> prohibit District officers and employees from exceeding agency appropriations in any fiscal year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 31 USCA § 1341 (2000) and D.C. Official Code § 47-355.01 et sequitor (2003).