

Facts About...

1111 Light Street Parcel (Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Location

This 0.96-acre property is located at 1105-1117 Light Street, 1108-1110 William Street, 133-135 E. Cross Street, and 124-126 Weber Street in a mixed residential and commercial area of Federal Hill in Baltimore, Maryland. The area generally slopes to west and southwest towards the Middle Branch of the Patapsco River, located approximately one-half mile of the property. The property is serviced by public water and sewer.

<u>Site History</u>

In 1890, the property was occupied by 28 residential and commercial rowhouses. The property was redeveloped between 1914 and 1951 to include larger commercial entities. A few rowhosues were replaced with larger buildings. A department store and associated warehouse and parking area were built in the 1950s.

Currently, the property is improved with four buildings. The 124 and 126 Weber Street lots are occupied by two residential rowhouses built in 1870. The 1105-1115 Light Street lot is occupied by the former department store and attached former warehouse. The 1117 Light Street lot is occupied by a multi-level, commercial rowhouse. The 133 E. Cross Street and 135 E. Cross Street, 1108 William Street, and 1110 William Street lots are vacant and consist of asphalt-paved parking areas. The property is currently used for commercial, retail, and residential purposes.

Environmental Investigations

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) was completed in May 2007 and was revised in July 2008 as part of an application for participation into the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). A Limited Phase II ESA, completed for the property in August 2008, revealed arsenic in soil above the Department's cleanup standards and identified a geophysical anomaly associated with a potential underground storage tank.

Current Status

In August 2008, 1111 Light Street, LLC submitted a VCP application for the property as an inculpable person. The Department issued comments on the VCP application in October 2008. The 1111 Light Street Parcel property was accepted into the VCP in February 2009 and with the requirement that a response action plan (RAP) be developed. The proposed RAP to address the environmental concerns on the property was submitted to the VCP in September 17 and a public informational meeting was held October 20, 2009. Planned future property use is residential and commercial.

Contact

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