

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013



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Director Emeka C. Moneme District Department of Transportation 2000 14th St NW, 7th Floor Washington, DC 20009

Re: Car Share Parking Enforcement

Mr. Moneme:

At our regularly scheduled public meeting on October 12, 2006, our Commission voted to support your efforts to implement greater enforcement of car-share parking spaces. Neighbors using car share parking spaces in our ANC continue to raise concerns, and in particular the parking space located on 12th Street NE, just south of H Street owned by the District Department of Transportation. Since that time, eight months ago, we have observed no notable improvement to the situation.

Flexcar owns and manages the vehicle located at 12th Street NE, and continues to express frustration with removal of illegally parked vehicles in car share spaces. This is an enforcement problem that is District-wide. As noted in our previous letter, enforcement is far more problematic in the District than other jurisdictions in Virginia and Maryland. Therefore, we request your efforts to coordinate with other city agencies in working toward a creative solution to this problem.

In our previous letter to your department, we suggested the possibility of allowing private tow companies to tow illegally parked cars, as is done in Arlington County. Lacking true and continued enforcement by Parking Enforcement and the Metropolitan Police Department leads us again to look outside of existing mechanisms and to authorize private tow companies to remove illegally parked cars immediately. This may provide a greater deterrent to this illegal parking problem.

We look forward to assisting in resolving this issue. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Omar Mahmud at (202) 546-1520.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Tengler

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Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A