

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A P.O. Box 15020 Washington, D.C. 20003



May 19, 2025

Members of the City Council of the District of Columbia Director of Department of Transportation Department of Buildings, and Office of Zoning

Via email

Re: Residential Parking Permits for Large Buildings

Dear City Council Members and Directors:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 8, 2025, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted 7-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter to you requesting statutory and/or administrative remedies to an apparent omission in the District's efforts to encourage use of modes of transportation other than private automobiles. Action on such an initiative would promote cleaner air, improved health status, support a more financially sound public transportation system, minimize traffic congestion, and generate overall benefits to public health and safety.

Accordingly, we respectfully request the Council, the Department of Buildings, the Department of Transportation, and the Office of Zoning, to provide additional information as to why residents of large buildings with more than X units, that do not have adequate parking for residents - as determined by a ratio of X/Y spaces per apartment - are currently allowed to obtain a Resident Parking Permit (RPP) stickers. Historically, we understood that residents of large buildings without adequate parking were not permitted access to RPP stickers. We were also aware that residents of buildings with addresses on commercial streets were not allowed RPP stickers. The Council et al. is asked to clarify the status of these previous restrictions and reinstate them if not currently in effect.

In summary, we firmly believe that reaffirming or reinstating these policies would support the objectives and benefits of encouraging alternative modes of transportation in a dense urban area and enhance public health.

Thank you for giving great weight to the views of ANC 6A. I can be contacted at 6A05@anc.dc.gov and Commissioner Roberta Shapiro at robertafor6a03@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Dave Wethington

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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