

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B**  
**Resolution in Support of Expanding Northern Boundary of**  
**The Capitol Hill Performance Based Parking Pilot**

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

WHEREAS in 2008 the city implemented an enhanced version of the Residential Permit Parking (RPP) system in conjunction with the opening of the then new ballpark in Near Southeast; and

WHEREAS the revised RPP system is called the Capitol Hill – Ballpark District Performance Based Parking Pilot (Pilot); and

WHEREAS the purposes of the new program as stated by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) are to:

1. **Protect resident parking:** Higher curbside parking meter rates combined with more stringent parking restrictions in residential neighborhoods in the pilot areas help preserve curbside parking for residents in areas where business or entertainment uses draw lots of visitors.
2. **Protect businesses:** Performance based meter rates and time limits are designed to encourage brief curbside parking with high turnover while discouraging long-term parking that would deprive businesses of customers. Visitors with long-term parking requirements are encouraged by the higher meter rates to utilize off-street parking facilities.
3. **Promote non-automotive transportation and reduce congestion:** Higher curbside meter rates encourage walking, biking and transit use in lieu of auto travel in congested places.

WHEREAS the initial area of the Pilot that was implemented encompassed nearly all of Southwest DC (north of the river), all of Near Southeast, and a large portion of ANC 6B between Pennsylvania Avenue SE and the SE Freeway bounded on the east by 9<sup>th</sup> Street and South Capitol Street on the west; and

WHEREAS, with the support of ANC 6B, DDOT subsequently expanded the implementation area of eastern portion of the Pilot out to but not including 11<sup>th</sup> Street SE between Pennsylvania Avenue and the freeway to better protect residential streets east of 8<sup>th</sup> Street from visitor parking associated with the Barracks Row commercial activity, and added the two blocks of 7<sup>th</sup> Street between North Carolina and Pennsylvania Avenues SE; and

WHEREAS key features of the Pilot are:

- **Expanded day and hour coverage:** The RPP system operates six days a week (Monday through Saturday) within the Pilot area from 7:00 AM to 9:30 PM.
- **Further limits on parking by non-Zone 6 permitted vehicles:** On most residential blocks, on-street parking on one side of the block is limited to vehicles with Zone 6 Parking Permits while the other side of the street allows vehicles without Zone 6 Parking Permits to park for up to two hours.
- **Provision of permanent Visitor Parking Passes:** Each residence within the Pilot area receives a permanent Visitor Parking Pass that can be used by non-Zone 6 Parking Permitted vehicles for temporary parking on both sides of residential blocks.
- **Temporary One-Day parking passes:** At the request of ANC 6B, DDOT provides, through the MPD Substation at 5<sup>th</sup> and E Streets SE, multiple temporary one-day parking passes to residents who request them.
- **Multi-space meters:** DDOT has installed multi-space meters in place of individual parking space meters throughout most of the commercial corridors in the Pilot area, as well as along some of the metered blocks adjacent to these commercial corridors.
- **Funding for non-automotive improvements:** A portion of the revenues from the new multi-space meters is set aside by DDOT annually in an account to fund investments in non-automotive improvements. With ANC 6B's support, a number of projects have been funded from this account and several more ANC 6B requests are in the final funding process.

WHEREAS, DDOT has the authority under the existing statute to expand the boundary of the Pilot area by adding the residential blocks north of Pennsylvania Avenue up to East Capitol Street between 11<sup>th</sup> Street on the east and the US Capitol complex on the west; and

WHEREAS the four Commissioners whose Single Member Districts would be impacted by an expansion of the Pilot boundaries (Commissioners Frishberg, Garrison, Oldenburg and Pate) have held extensive discussions with residents to get their views on the idea;

WHEREAS the impending construction and opening of the Hine development will place additional pressures on on-street parking in the residential blocks around the project, making affirmative and quick action to expand aspects of the Pilot all the more important;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 6B as its properly noticed regular meeting on September 11, 2012, by a vote of 10 to 0, agreed to request that DDOT move immediately to expand the boundary of the Pilot north of Pennsylvania Avenue SE to include the area, described on the attached map, bordered by 3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE on the west, East Capitol Street on the north (but not including East Capitol Street itself) and 11<sup>th</sup> Street SE on the east; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6B requests that DDOT extend the following features of the Pilot into the new area north of Pennsylvania Avenue SE:

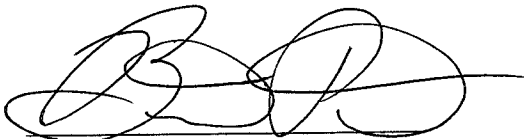
- **Zone 6 Permit Only Parking:**
  - For the blocks closest to the Eastern Market complex (see attached map), change the RPP signs on one side of each residential block to permit Zone 6 Permit Only parking from Monday through Sunday, 7 AM to 8:30 PM;
  - For the remaining blocks, change the RPP signs on one side of each residential block to Zone 6 Permit Only parking Monday through Saturday, 7 AM to 8:30 PM.
  - The other side of all of these blocks would remain as is with the current RPP restrictions of Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 8:30 PM.
- **Visitor Passes:** Provide permanent Visitor Passes to all households throughout the expanded area as soon as possible and well before the introduction of the new Zone 6 Permit Only parking signs. ANC 6B urges DDOT to take all possible steps to be sure that its database of household addresses is current and accurate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6B requests that DDOT work individually with the Commissioner of each of the four impacted SMDs to determine the implementation plan for each block within the new Pilot boundaries and to make any necessary adjustments in current boundaries; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6B will closely monitor the implementation of the installation of the new signs by DDOT and the subsequent experience of residents with the new restrictions and, prior to the completion of the Hine development, will consider whether further refinements in the Pilot in this new area are required; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6B authorizes the Commission Chairperson to transmit this Resolution to DDOT and Councilmember Tommy Wells.

Attest:

  
Secretary

14 SEPT 2012  
Date