

Nov. 15, 2010

DC Zoning Commission
Office of Zoning Hearing Room
441 4th Street, Suite 220

RE: Support for Case 08-06 – Parking (Comprehensive Zoning Regulations: Chapters B-15, B-16)

Dear Commissioners:

Good evening, my name is Mike Donnelly. I've been working by Union Station for the past six months, I leave my car in Delaware every Monday morning and live car-free in the metro area. I am here to express my strong support for the proposed changes to the DC Zoning code regarding vehicle and bicycle parking.

I support the proposed parking regulations to largely remove parking minimum requirements and institute maximum limits. As an economist I believe that supply equals demand. If you artificially increase the supply of parking, you guarantee more traffic on your already congested roads.

Both sides of this outcome negatively impact me. We all pay to increase the supply of parking. More land wasted as a parking spot means the remaining land prices escalate, resulting in higher home prices. As a pedestrian crossing your streets, more traffic makes me less safe, and as a father considering moving to DC, I'd worry for my children. That is assuming, I can afford your home prices, we are still looking.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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