
TO: Zoning Commission
441 4th St NW, #200
Washington, DC 20001

FROM: Patrick Murphy
36 New York Ave NW
Washington, DC 20001

SUBJECT: I Support Changes to DC's Parking Regulations

DATE: July 26, 2008 04:42 PM

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Dear Zoning Commission,

RE: Case No. 08-06-2

I support the proposed changes to DC's parking regulations. In this time of rising gas prices and concern about climate change, it's important we plan for a more walkable, vibrant, and affordable DC.

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- encouraging car sharing (i.e. Zipcar),
- encouraging more motorcycle and scooter parking
- replacing surface parking lots (like those at North Capitol and M, North Cap and K, and at federal center South West) with parks and green space
- removing rush hour parking restrictions that turn city streets into throughways
- allowing shared parking, and

-charging developers who want to build excess parking.

**Sincerely,
Patrick Murphy
36 New York Ave NW
Washington, DC 20001**

July 26, 2008 10:06 PM

Stacey McLaughlin

4850 Connecticut Ave NW Apt 916, ♦ Washington, DC 20008

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Julie Hantman

1325 18th Street NW, #805 , Washington, DC 20036

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TO: Zoning Commission
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FROM: Daniel Smith
1825 Biltmore St. NW
Washington, DC 20009

SUBJECT: I Support Changes to DC's Parking Regulations

DATE: July 26, 2008 11:10 AM

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Dear Committee Member,

As a long time DC resident, people are often surprised to hear that I have a car. Why? They never see me in it and they always run into me on the street or in the Metro! One of the reasons I've stayed in DC is that I love walking and between the Metro and the buses, I can get wherever I need to go.

However one of the downsides to spending a fair amount of time on foot and the bus is seeing how much of our streets are devoted to parking and generally making it easier for cars to get around, and I'd love to see policy that prioritizes walking, biking, and public transportation.

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Many thanks, Alix Davidson

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Alix Davidson

1336 Harvard Street NW, #3

Washington, DC 20009

July 26, 2008 02:36 PM

Janak Mayer

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July 24, 2008

Anthony Hood, Chairman
Office of Zoning
DC Zoning Commission
One Judiciary Square
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210-S
Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: Support for Case No. 08-06-2 (Comprehensive Zoning Regulations Rewrite: Parking)

Dear Chairman Hood:

I am writing to express my support for the proposed parking regulations. This city-wide effort is particularly timely given rising fuel prices and increased awareness of the connection between land-use regulations, transportation options and more livable communities. The current regulations are outdated as compared to best practices implemented in other cities throughout the United States and Europe.

I am a life-long Washingtonian and have experienced firsthand the physical construction and now explosive usage of the Metro. Coupled with improved bus service, street-car service and car-sharing options, the District of Columbia is fast becoming a model for what "can" be. Adopting the parking regulations as proposed by the Office of Planning is simply another logical step towards making this city the leader, and model in this area – a fitting place for the Nation's Capital.

The Office of Planning proposal demonstrates the goal of multi-modal transit options—making our wonderful, diverse neighborhoods accessible by foot, public transit, bicycle and yes, car. By creating maximums in place of the current minimums, the city will be better able to encourage "park-once" shopping habits which will in turn increase foot traffic in our neighborhood retail corridors. Additionally, the development costs that can be saved by not forcing a specific number of parking spaces on new projects could be deployed towards other neighborhood amenities. Our historic neighborhoods which currently exist in this environment, are generally thriving communities and can serve as a model for other parts of the city.

The District loses millions of dollars each year to neighboring jurisdictions such as Chevy Chase and Bethesda, Maryland because of the convenience and accessibility of retail options located just over our borders. Having better options within the city will help retain these dollars and further attract non-residents to our neighborhoods to spend their disposable income. Adopting the parking regulations as proposed by the Office of Planning will help achieve these goals. Our communities and city have everything to gain from the adoption of this proposal.

Andrew Aurbach
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