

TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO: Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, President City Council  
FROM: Peter Little, Executive Director  
DATE: February 28, 2009  
RE: Council Bill 09 - 0278



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 09-0278 introduced by Council President Stephanie Rawlings-Blake at the request of the Department of Housing and Community Development.

The purpose of the Bill is to repeal the existing Reisterstown Plaza Urban Renewal Plan and replacing it by designating it as a "Renewal Area" an area situated in Baltimore City, Maryland known as Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station, bounded by Northern Parkway on the south and east, Reisterstown Road on the north and the western Baltimore City boundary line west; approving a Renewal Plan for Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station by 1) establishing the objectives of the Plan, 2) establishing permitted land uses in then Renewal Area, 3) providing that where there may be a conflict between the provisions of the Renewal Plan and the provisions of any Planned Unit Development, 4) the provisions of the Planned Unit Development control, 5) providing for the review of all plans for new construction, exterior rehabilitation, change in use or the demolition of any property, 6) providing that the provisions of the Zoning Code apply to the properties in the project area, 7) providing for the term of the Plan and 8) approving an appendix and certain exhibits to the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The Parking Authority has reviewed the Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station Repeal as adopted by this bill to read "Urban Renewal Plan – Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station" and determined there would be no negative fiscal or operational impact to any of the City's on-street parking programs and / or City owned off-street parking facilities at this time. Additionally, PABC will work through the Site Plan Review process with the developer to ensure sufficient parking is available during the entire development process to lessen the impact to the various communities within the Urban Renewal Plan.

Based on the above comments the Parking Authority supports the passage of City Council Bill 09-0278.

