TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO: Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, President City Council

Members of City Council

FROM:

Peter Little, Executive Director

DATE:

July 17, 2009

RE:

Council Bill 09-0354



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 09-0354 introduced by Councilmembers Henry, Kraft, Branch, Clarke, Curran, and Welch.

The purpose of this bill is to modify the local law governing the invalidation or cancellation of stopping, standing or parking citations to conform to the requirements of Sate law; authorizing the Director of Transportation to request the State's Attorney to nolle prosequi stopping, standing, or parking citations under certain circumstances, subject to certain limitations and requirements; and generally to the administration of stopping, standing, and parking violations.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City has reviewed the proposed legislation and values the intent of the Bill. The Parking Authority does not participate in the enforcement of parking citations, so we must defer to the position of the Department of Transportation, as they oversee the enforcement and processing of the aforementioned citations. It will be our goal to continue to work with the Department of Transportation to ensure any reasonable, practical and legal improvements in the enforcement of parking restrictions are considered. As such, we will defer to the position of the Department of Transportation and Law Department.

