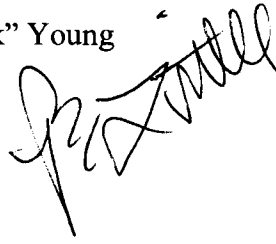


TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO: Council President Bernard "Jack" Young
FROM: Peter Little, Executive Director
DATE: November 13, 2015
RE: Council Bill 15-0590



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 15-0590 introduced by Council President Young and Councilmembers Henry, Middleton, Costello, Kraft, Clarke, Reisinger, Spector, Welch, Scott, and Mosby.

The purpose of this bill is to prohibit the demolition or reconstruction of certain City-owned structures unless expressly authorized by an ordinance of the Mayor and City Council; defining certain terms; and requiring that, on introduction of a proposed authorizing ordinance the bill be referred to certain agencies for their reports and recommendations.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) reviewed the proposed legislation, as well as the response by the Department of Transportation (DOT). We agree with DOT in that this bill would also make "timely repairs and replacement impractical" for "structures" that fall under the purview of PABC such as parking meters and surface parking lots.

The PABC concurs with the amendments submitted by DOT with the following addition:

"City Structure" does not mean:

- (1) Any structure (other than a building) that is owned by the City, to the extent that the structure:
 - a. is located on, over, or under a street, alley, or other public way or land, and
 - b. is designed, constructed, controlled, and maintained by and under the authority and supervision of the Director of Public Works, the Director of General Services, Executive Director of the Parking Authority of Baltimore City, or the Director of Transportation, whichever has jurisdiction, or an authorized representative of the Director: and,

PABC supports this bill with amendments to clarify that this bill would not affect the removal or replacement of ground-level surface parking lots and associated curbs, fixtures, and equipment; parking meters; and street signs.