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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 11-0765		

TO

The Honorable President and Members
of the City Council
c/o Karen Randle
Room 400 City Hall

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I am herein reporting on City Council Bill #11-0765.

The purpose of this bill is to provide for the licensing and regulation of special-event parking lots; limit their operation to a specified Special-Event Parking District; define certain terms; impose certain fees; require payment of the parking tax; impose certain penalties; conform certain provisions of the Zoning and Building Codes; conform, correct, and clarify other related provisions; and generally relate to the licensing, regulation, operation, and zoning of parking lots.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) concurs with the Department of Finance's report that this bill adequately addresses key policy concerns related to special events parking. This legislation will likely improve enforcement of vehicle vandalism and theft, illegal and improper property use, and equitable parking tax collections. DOT's traffic engineers are readily available to review any traffic management plans submitted in compliance with this legislation at the Department of Finance's request. To the extent that it might protect against trespass violations, the Council might consider requiring applicants submit proof of legal possession of lot property through the application process described in this bill. Regardless, DOT supports this well-conceived bill as proposed and requests that the Council grant it a favorable report.

Respectfully,


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Director

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Cc: Ms. Angela C. Gibson
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