TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO:

Council President Bernard "Jack" Young

FROM:

Peter Little, Executive Director

DATE:

May 14, 2018

RE:

Council Bill 18-0218



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 18-0218 introduced by Councilmember Bullock at the request of Derrick Shaw and Trina Smiley.

The purpose of this bill is for permitting, subject to certain conditions, the conversion of a single-family dwelling unit to 2 dwelling units in the R-8 Zoning District on the property known as 807 North Monroe Street (Block 0084, Lot 046).

According to Baltimore City Code Art. 32 § 9-701(2) the R-8 Zoning District allows for the conversion of a single-family dwelling to a multi-family dwelling through conditional-use approval by Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council. Conversion standards in Baltimore City Code Art. 32 § 9-703(f) require that at least 1 off-street parking space must be provided for each dwelling unit. This proposed legislation requests a variance for the off-street parking requirement.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) reviewed the proposed legislation. This property is not located on a block where PABC administers on-street parking programs. A site visit was conducted during the first week of May 2018. The PABC observed the onstreet parking demand and determined that there is available inventory. In addition, the PABC investigated the alley and rear yard and concurs with the Department of Planning's analysis that vehicle access to the rear of the property is awkward. A variance for off-street parking is therefore required, and the PABC has determined that the passage of this bill will not negatively impact parking in the area.

Based on the comments above, the Parking Authority of Baltimore City does not oppose the passage of City Council Bill 18-0218.