

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Nick J. Mosby, President, Baltimore City Council

**From:** Peter Little, Executive Director

Date: January 4, 2022

**Subject:** City Council Bill 21-0159

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 21-0159 introduced by Councilmembers Conway, Dorsey, Bullock, Cohen, Burnett, Torrence, Middleton, Ramos, Porter, and Glover.

The purpose of this bill is for converting the City fleet of vehicles, subject to certain exceptions, to zero-emission vehicles; defining certain terms; authorizing rules and regulations; and generally related to the City's procurement of vehicles.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) has reviewed the proposed legislation. The PABC believes, in principle, this is a worthwhile effort, and that it can implement the conversion of the portion of the City's vehicle fleet assigned to it within the stated time periods and other specified conditions. However, the PABC hosts many City fleet vehicles in our parking facilities when they are not in use. Those vehicles, many of which will be converted to electric vehicles, will need to be recharged when they are parked. We maintain the City will need to build out its electric vehicle charging infrastructure to support this mandate to transition, in large part, to an electric fleet and that, if this legislation is passed, then the City must budget funds to build out that infrastructure.

The PABC does not oppose the passage of City Council Bill 21-0159.