TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO:

Council President Brandon Scott

FROM:

Peter Little, Executive Director

DATE:

January 22, 2020

RE:

Council Bill 19-0478



I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 19-0478 introduced by Councilmembers Dorsey, Burnett, Cohen, Henry, Bullock, Middleton, Clarke, Reisinger, Sneed, Stokes, and Costello.

The purpose of this bill is for establishing a process for the City of Baltimore to restore unneeded, unused or otherwise abandoned curb cuts.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) reviewed the proposed legislation. The PABC appreciates and supports the objective of this ordinance amendment to return the curb wherever possible and create opportunities for parking and loading. This is especially important in areas where parking is unregulated, and it is harder to communicate where vehicles may park. Still, the PABC would request that the City Council consider adding language to this ordinance amendment to address remedies for those who cannot readily bear the expense of the restoration similar to Article 26 §10-7 through 9 where citations have been issued for sidewalk and other frontage improvements. PABC believes passage of this bill will positively impact parking in the City.

Based on the comments above, PABC supports the passage of City Council Bill 19-0478.