

TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO: Council President Brandon M. Scott
FROM: Peter Little, Executive Director
DATE: March 2, 2020
RE: City Council Bill 20-0494



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I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 20-0494 introduced by Councilmember McCray at the request of Blessing Okoro and 5401 Belair Road, LLC.

The purpose of this bill is for permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a banquet hall on the property known as 5401 Belair Road (Block 5989A, Lot 019).

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) reviewed the proposed legislation. The legislation does not explicitly address parking. Parking requirements will be based on the underlying zoning district and prescribed by the Zoning Code. The site is currently located within the Community Commercial (C-2) Zoning District. Based on the request, the purpose of the C-2 District is intended for areas of small to medium-scale commercial use, typically located along urban corridors, that are designed to accommodate pedestrians and, in some instances, automobiles. There is parking located around the site. Parking meters are also in the area (north end of 5400 block of Belair). This site is not located in an area where the PABC administers any on-street parking programs.

When building plans and uses are submitted, PABC will be involved through Site Plan Review Committee to ensure that parking and loading demands are adequately addressed, and that negative effects of parking and loading are mitigated.

Based on the comments above, the PABC does not oppose the passage of City Council Bill 20-0494.