



Eric T. Costello

Baltimore City Council, 11th District

November 19, 2018

Mr. Pete Little
Executive Director
Baltimore City Parking Authority
200 W Lombard St, Suite B
Baltimore, MD 21201
Via Email To: Peter.Little@BCParking.com

RE: VPP / Parking Study in RPP Area 5

Executive Director Little:

I write to you in strong support of the speedy implementation of Virtual Permit Parking (VPP) in Residential Permit Parking (RPP) Area 5 (Ridgely's Delight Association). As you are aware, parking in Ridgely's Delight has become increasingly scarce in recent years. Residents have frequently reached out to me to discuss their well-founded frustrations and concerns with this problem. I believe that the implementation of VPP in this neighborhood will serve to mitigate this problem, and help serve as a foundational solution for parking enforcement throughout not only Ridgely's Delight, but in RPP areas in our City. Many universities have rolled out this program with success. VPP is proven to provide for effective and efficient parking enforcement.

To help justify the application of this area for VPP, I am requesting that PABC conduct a parking study of RPP Area 5. This parking permit area corresponds to the borders of Ridgely's Delight, which lie between:

- Pratt St on the north;
- Greene St on the east;
- Conway St Park on the south; and
- Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd on the west.

The parking study should ideally include the following:

- Total number of RPP restricted spaces;
- Total number of reserved handicapped spaces;
- Total number of metered spaces;
- Total number of unrestricted spaces;
- Number of RPP decals issued, on average over the past three years;
- Number of current, active RPP decals;
- Number of RPP visitor permits issued, on average over the past three years;
- Number of current, active RPP visitor permits;
- Number of available on-street spaces at different times of day on different days of the week;
- Number of RPP spaces utilized during different times of day on different days of the week;
- Number of non-RPP vehicles in RPP marked areas during different times and days per week;
 - Number of non-RPP vehicles in RPP marked areas parked beyond RPP restriction duration limits; and
 - Number of non-RPP vehicles in RPP marked areas parked beyond RPP restriction duration limits that were cited.

Chairman, Budget & Appropriations Committee
Chairman, Judiciary & Legislative Investigations
Committee
Chairman, Biennial Audits Oversight Commission
Chairman, Stormwater Remediation Oversight Committee

Land Use & Transportation Committee
Taxation, Finance, & Economic Development Committee



City Hall, Room 527
100 N Holliday Street

Baltimore, MD 21202

(o) 410-396-4816

(m) 443-813-1457

(e) eric.costello@baltimorecity.gov

Eric T. Costello

Baltimore City Council, 11th District

This neighborhood, nestled between highways, stadiums, a hospital, a university, and the Central Business District, presents the best possible terrain to conduct a pilot program of VPP. I am confident that the results of the parking study will confirm this as well as provide guidance to the community as they consider future major changes to RPP Area 5.

Please circle back with me via email by no later than COB, December 14 on next steps and timeframe for VPP implementation and the above requested parking study.

Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me directly at eric.costello@baltimorecity.gov or 410-396-4816.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric T. Costello".

Eric. T. Costello
Baltimore City Council, 11th District

CC: Fran Burnszynski, PABC Planning Manager
Ab Bear, Ridgely's Delight Association Parking Committee Chair
Ben Marks, Ridgely's Delight Association Incoming President
Candace Nue, PABC Chief Operating Officer
Deb O'Neill, Ridgely's Delight Resident
David Rhodes, PABC General Counsel
Shannon Reuter, Ridgely's Delight Association President
Steve Robinson, PABC Manager of RPP