# ANC2B Transportation and Public Infrastructure Committee

Wednesday August 6, 2014 – 6:30 pm Dupont Circle Resource Center (9 Dupont Circle NW)

#### Meeting Minutes

#### Attendance:

Commissioner Noah Smith (2B09)

Susan Volman

Evian Patterson - DDOT

Michael Upright

Moira McCauley

Nicole Mann

Graham Vyse

Shaun Courtney

Alice Kelly - DDOT

Evian Patterson - DDOT

Moira McCauley

Gerald Schwinn

Tom Hay

Daniel Warwick

Special meeting to discuss neighborhood parking concerns and the feasibility of policy options with DDOT. Evian Patterson, the Citywide Parking Program Manager and Alice Kelly of DDOT were invited to discuss our parking problem statements. The meeting had previously been scheduled for July 30, 2014.

Patterson and Kelly opened with brief statements.

Kelly - DDOT close to releasing study of existing policies in curbside use. Residential Parking Program (RPP) has evolved and changed over the years despite conventional wisdom that it is a relic of 1970s. The program has evolved as neighborhoods came with new ideas. Hoping to deconstruct ward/zone/political boundaries of RPP parking. Pricing per vehicle for RPP has not moved past DC Council; support for this idea from community is helpful. Kelly commented that the timing is perfect for ANC 2B to submit suggestions to DDOT on managing community parking.

Patterson - Suggested bringing more stakeholders (residents/business owners) into the discussion about parking. In Logan Circle, they recently implemented a new Visitor Parking Program (VPP) with success. No reports of abuse or that sending VPP stickers to residents is flooding the market. Logan is happy with the pass program and there have been few complaints. Visitor parking pass does designate the ANC where the pass may be used.

The committee then discussed previously agreed upon policy options with DDOT. Notes and comments from Kelly and Patterson in bold.

## Visitor Parking Issues -

o Eliminate 2 hour free parking and have all visitors pay for parking, i.e. "Pay to Park" on residential streets for visitors. **Possible - also business parking issue.** 

- o Voucher system annual pass book. Possible
- Single pass for <del>one car</del> residence sent automatically or by request to RPP residents. Possible
- Improve existing visitor parking system advertise it more streamline service to include online availability. Some opposition from Council - prefer that the city send passes to residents directly.
- o Add meters to residential streets. Possible
- o Improve contractor parking permit process. Council passes one (\$10 per day) but visitor pass is better option for contractor
- o Allow contractors to apply for long-term permit if they do work in the city so they don't have to apply for each job (like a zone 9 permit). **Probably not an option.**

## Residential parking issues

- Designate specific ANC/SMD on parking signs and RPP permits. ANC is on permit /SMD no
- o Expand enhanced RPP program (one side of block reserved for residents only).
- o Raise price for RPP permits for multi car households. **DDOT in favor**
- o Raise price for RPP on all vehicles. Not possible
- o Performance pricing for RPP permits.
- o Set aside more space for car sharing. Possible
- o Education about public transportation issues.
- o Develop incentives for not owning a car.
- o Charge permit pricing based on vehicle size/weight.

## **Under Utilized Parking**

- o Parking is allowed on Sunday mornings on both sides of many blocks; expand to other times, particularly during street sweeping.
- o Address overlap of parking on street sweeping days.
- o Standardize and implement signage for available parking lots across the city.
- o Smartphone Apps for parking. GODCGO website
- o More education about transit and parking resources. GODCGO website
- o Increase utilization of multi-use parking.
- o Encourage churches/schools/other owners of lots to open parking at off hours.
- Walk through neighborhoods to find potential unused spots and report to DDOT.
   Encouraged

### **Business Patrons**

- o Encourage shared valet parking
- o Encourage businesses to educate patrons about parking availability.
- o Support other modes of transit besides motor vehicles.
- Performance parking (USDOT / FHWA study parking has been too cheap)
   Possbile option trying out in Chinatown area (Fall 2014) some technology issues with implementation

- DDOT has been contacted (Moira)
- San Francisco variable pricing changes behavior. Pilot for H Street /
   Ballpark / Columbia Heights not dynamic just time of day.
- Smart meters in business corridors
- o During negotiation of liquor licenses include provision for bike racks, valet and other parking considerations.

Next spring - talk about performance parking in Dupont. There is general support bu need data from meters to make it work.

DDOT invited partnership between ANC's and city to find parking solutions. The ANC will soon host a parking roundtable in Dupont to present feasible options and hear from more stakeholders.