

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/15/2011
Reference No.: CB-051-2011
Draft No.: 2
Proposer(s): Olson, Franklin, Campos
Sponsor(s): Olson, Campos, Franklin, Turner, Lehman
Item Title: An Ordinance concerning Car Sharing – Mixed Used and Overlay Zones – Parking Incentives for the purpose of providing incentives for car sharing facilities in the Mixed Use, Transit District, and Development District Overlay Zones.

Drafter: Karen T. Zvakos, Legislative Officer
Resource Personnel: Dannielle M. Glaros, Legislative Aide

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 9/27/2011
Committee Referral: 9/27/2011 - PZED
Executive Action:
Effective Date: 1/3/2012

Committee Action: 10/11/2011 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/18/2011
Public Hearing: 11/15/2011 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/15/2011 - ENACTED
Council Votes: WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:-, AH:-, LJ:-, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:-
Pass/Fail: P
Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

27-107.01, 27-541.03, 27-548.09.02, 27-548.26.01

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PZED Committee Report

Date 10/11/2011

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Patterson, Campos, Harrison, Olson and Toles)

Council staff presented a Proposed Draft-2 (DR-2) which incorporated certain amendments suggested by the Planning Board and discussed at the October 5, 2011 committee meeting. Proposed DR-2 includes a definition for “Car-Sharing” and new charts which clarify the maximum number of parking spaces that may be reduced per each designated car-share based on the proximity to the transit station. Language was also included in Proposed DR-2 to cap the allowed reduction of parking spaces at 15% of the total minimum required.

The committee voted favorable including the amendments in Proposed DR-2.

10/5/2011

Held in committee.

Council staff provided an overview of the legislation and summarized written referral comments that were received. CB-51-2011 amends the Zoning Ordinance to add new sections under the Mixed-Use zones, the Transit District Development Overlay Zone (TDOZ), and the Development District Overlay Zone (DDOZ) for the purpose of providing incentives for car-sharing facilities in these zones.

Council Vice-Chair Olson, the bill's sponsor, informed the committee that CB-51-2011 is smart growth legislation which will reduce cars by providing incentives in the form of a reduction in required parking spaces for new developments if the applicant enters into a car sharing agreement. Mr. Olson explained that the incentives are proposed as an option to the applicant for development proposals in close proximity to transit stations.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-51-2011 and determined that it is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment. The Planning Board supports CB-51-2011 with amendments and submitted a letter with details of their concerns and suggested amendments. Faramarz Mokhtari, M-NCPPC Transportation Planning Section, was present to respond to Council Members' questions regarding the Planning Board comments. Mr. Mokhtari also informed the committee of statistics concerning the reduction of cars on the road as a result of car sharing parking spaces which have been provided.

Andrew M. Fellows, City of College Park Mayor submitted an October 4, 2011 letter to Committee Chairman Patterson indicating the City's support of CB-51-2011.

Council Vice-Chair Olson suggested that the bill be held in committee to allow time for Council staff to prepare revisions to incorporate certain Planning Board recommended amendments.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This bill will provide incentives for developments in the vicinity of mass transit or public lines of transportation to enter into an agreement with a corporation that provides carsharing services.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
