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Councilmember, Ward 3 | Chair, Committee on Transportation & the Environment

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson
FROM: Councilmember Mary M. Cheh 
DATE: July 15, 2020
SUBJECT: Requests for the July 21, 2020 Additional Legislative Meeting

I request that the following emergency measures be agendized for the July 21, 2020 Additional Legislative Meeting, should one be scheduled:

- RPP Voluntary Exclusion Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020
- RPP Voluntary Exclusion Emergency Act of 2020
- RPP Voluntary Exclusion Temporary Act of 2020

The District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment's hearing ("BZA") for Case No. 20266 - 3400 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., in regards to reducing the minimum number of parking spaces required at the site of a new housing development, is scheduled for July 29, 2020. The District Department of Transportation ("DDOT") has submitted a memorandum in support of the developer, in which it states that the property owner will "prohibit residents at the property from participating in the Residential Parking Permit ("RPP") Program." However, DDOT has no legal means to ensure the property owner abides by this requirement. Without this requirement being enforced, residents of the new development will be able to receive RPP for their vehicles, leading to insufficient street parking for existing residents in the neighborhood. In an April 16, 2020 Memorandum on a study commissioned by the developer, the study team noted that during certain rush-hour periods, parking in the neighborhood is at 98% of capacity.

Emergency legislation is necessary to ensure that DDOT has the legal means necessary to prohibit property occupants who have previously agreed not to participate in RPP from participating in RPP.

Draft copies of the emergency legislation are attached. Please contact Michael Porcello in my office at 724-8062 or mporcello@dccouncil.us if you have any questions.