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Decline participation in enhanced RPP for Mount Pleasant

Resolved, that ANC1D chooses not to participate in the Enhanced Residential Permit Parking (ERPP) program, DCMR 18, 2411.25.

Why: This program would eliminate the two-hour allowance for nonresident parking on 50% of all RPP-zoned blocks, with the purpose of preventing monopolization of curbside parking by short-term visitors, that is, patrons of local businesses. Only a very few blocks of Mount Pleasant, immediately adjacent to Mount Pleasant Street, are significantly affected by business-patron parking during the day. In most of Mount Pleasant, this would impair visitor parking, potentially inflicting parking tickets on visitors unaware of this regulation and overlooking “Ward One only” signs, with no significant benefit. Adjacent to the commercial strip, this would result in parking tickets for unwary business customers, and would harm our local businesses by discouraging customers from coming to Mount Pleasant to patronize their businesses. The Mount Pleasant Business Association has requested that ANC1D choose not to participate in this program.

Passed by 5 to 1 vote at the legally noticed, public meeting of ANC1D on December 6, 2011, with a quorum present. Voting “yes”: Commissioners Romero-Castillo, McKay, Wilson Phelan, Scott, Terrell. Voting “no”: Commissioner Edwards.