

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019, 7:30 P.M.
301 KING STREET, 2nd FLOOR
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman, William Schuyler, Vice Chair, James Lewis, Ann Tucker, Randy Cole, Kevin Beekman, Jason Osborne. and Casey Kane

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineering, Ryan Knight, Civil Engineer IV, Katie North, Division Chief of Mobility Services, Megan Oleynik, Urban Planner III and Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineer II.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None
2. Approval of the April 22, 2019 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2019 Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
3. Staff Written Updates:
Summer WMATA shutdown preparation

4. PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

The following people expressed their opinion on the proposed Seminary Road Complete Streets project: Mr. Weymont, Mr. Longo, Mrs. Nelson, Ms. Flemming, Mr. Rossello, Mr. Bouk, Ms. Baker, Mr. Notis, Mr. Putzu, Mr. Curry, Mr. Krall, Ms. Kerwin, Ms. Griglione, Ms Hoffman, Mr. Norman, Mr. Desjardins, Mr. Ray, and Ms. Porter.

Due to the diversity of opinions, the Board expressed concern that more time might be needed to reach community consensus on this project. The Board stated the need for Board members to be updated on this project before the June meeting. Lastly, the Board asked staff for more clarity about what constitutes a conflict of interest based on some of the views expressed during the public discussion period.

Mr. Jakubek spoke about the intersection of Duke Street and South Pickett Street expressing concern for pedestrian safety suggesting implementation of a leading pedestrian interval or an exclusive pedestrian phase.

Ms. Crawford expressed concern that bicycles are unpredictable and hard for visually impaired people to deal with. She also inquired about the bus schedules for the WMATA shutdown.

Ms. Takath spoke in opposition to the proposed all-way stop sign request at the intersection of Russell Road and Windsor Avenue.

CONSENT CALENDAR

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborn to move item #9 to the consent calendar and to vote on the consent calendar before the public discussion period. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to approve items numbers 5, 6, 7 and 9 in the consent calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to modify residential permit parking restrictions on the north side of the 800 Block of Second Street.
6. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to change parking restrictions at the Hotel Indigo at 220 S. Union St.
7. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to prohibit U-turns and left turns from the Holmes Run Pkwy ramp onto southbound North Van Dorn Street.
9. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to authorize the installation of an All-Way Stop Control at Russell Road and W. Windsor Avenue

PUBLIC HEARING

8. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request on the 1400, 1500, and 1600 blocks of Jamieson Avenue to:
 - i. Remove the 2-hour parking limits,
 - ii. Reduce the hourly metered parking rate from \$1.75 to \$1.00, and
 - iii. Allow a maximum all-day rate of \$5.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented the item to the Board. The Board noted this proposal could encourage long term, multiple day parking and hotel patrons might choose to park along Jamieson Avenue rather than in the parking garage. The Board also asked staff to consider how the proposed change would be evaluated.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cole to recommend to City Council approving the request to amend the parking restriction and rates on the 1400, 1500 and 1600 blocks of Jamieson Avenue to:

- i. Remove the 2-hour parking limits,
- ii. Reduce the hourly metered parking rate from \$1.75 to \$1.00, and

iii. Allow a maximum all-day rate of \$5.

The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF UPDATES

- Mr. Garbacz updated the Board about the taxi industry study being conducted by the Office on Performance Accountability
- Mr. Kane updated the Board on the Transportation Commission, the scooter pilot, and the Alexandria Transit Vision Plan.
- Mr. Schuyler briefed the Board on the Residential Permit Parking project.