

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019, 7:30 P.M.
301 KING STREET, 2nd FLOOR
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MINUTES

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineering, Katye North, Division Chief of Mobility Services, Daphne Knott, Division Chief, Department of Project Implementation, Lieutenant Mike May, Police Department, Sergeant William Mayfield, Police Department, Ryan Knight, Civil Engineering IV, Megan Oleynik, Urban Planner III, Alex Block, Principal Planner and Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineer II.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None
2. Approval of the September 23, 2019 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes: Mr. Cole made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborne to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2019 Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
3. Staff Written Updates: Written Staff Updates:
 - Dockless Mobility (Scooter) Pilot Program Evaluation
4. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**
No one from the public spoke in this period.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to (1) remove “No Parking Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM” signs on the north side of the unit block of W. Glebe Road, and (2) approve future removal of on-street parking on the east side of the 2500 block of Helen Street to accommodate sidewalk installation.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented the item to the Board.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: The following speakers provided testimony: Mr. Cline spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Ms. Tucker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to approve the request to (1) remove “No Parking Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM” signs on the north side of the unit block of W. Glebe Road, and (2) approve

future removal of on-street parking on the east side of the 2500 block of Helen Street to accommodate sidewalk installation. The motion carried unanimously.

- 6. ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to temporarily remove approximately six (6) on-street parking spaces north of the Potomac Avenue entrance of 2601 Mainline Boulevard (Location of the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station construction worker parking and staging lot).

DISCUSSION: Ms. Knott presented the item to the Board. The Board was concerned about pedestrian safety and asked the applicant to install Yield to Pedestrian signs at the parking lot entrance/exit to alert truck drivers to the possible presence of pedestrians on the sidewalk.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke on this request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Cole made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborne to approve the request to temporarily remove approximately six (6) on-street parking spaces north of the Potomac Avenue entrance of 2601 Mainline Boulevard (Location of the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station construction worker parking and staging lot). The motion carried unanimously.

- 7. ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to add a loading zone to the 1700 block of Duke Street

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented the item to the Board. The Board questioned staff about the current Valet not being used all year.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: The following speakers provided testimony: Mr. Driouche spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Osborne made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to approve the request add a loading zone to the 1700 block of Duke Street and direct staff to discuss with the valet permit owner about the usage of the eastern spaces. The motion carried unanimously.

- 8. ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to add valet parking on Reinekers Lane.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented the item to the Board. The Board was concerned that the space will be underutilized.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Hall spoke in favor the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cole to approve the request to add valet parking on Reinekers Lane. The motion carried unanimously.

9. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to amend the City Code related to residential permit parking districts.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik and Ms. North presented the item to the Board. Sergeant Mayfield explained how the Police enforce parking restrictions and why converting the three-hour restriction to two-hour would help enforcement. One of the more controversial changes was eliminating the three-hour parking option to allow standardization and easier enforcement. This change could negatively impact The Little Theater's operation as well as the ability to have contractors, such as plumbers, provide services to homes within the district. The Board had concern about having an ending time restriction at 5:00 PM.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: The following speakers provided testimony: Mr. Matyas, Mr. Snow, Ms. Albers, Ms Amidon, Ms. Whitlatih, Ms. Callanhan, Ms. Haley, and Mr. Schmid, Ms. Blacker, Ms. Sanderson, Ms. Wasowski, Ms. Adams, Mr. Voltmann, Ms Ives, Mr. Ray, Ms. Mosher, Mr and Ms Settle, Ms. Curtih, Mr. Rows, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Macek, Mr. Hardaway opposed the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cole to amend the City Code related to permit parking districts except the change from 3-hour restriction to 2-hour restriction. The motion carried with Mr. Schuyler, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Cole, Mr. Beekman, Mr. Kane and Ms. Tucker voted yes, and Mr. Osborne voted against the motion.

Ms. Tucker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to keep the existing hour restriction as it is. The motion carried with Mr. Lewis, Mr. Beekman, Mr. Kane, Ms. Tucker, Mr. Osborne voted yes, and Mr. Schuyler and Mr. Cole voted against the motion.

STAFF UPDATES:

- Reorganizing Taxi Administration