CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020, 7 P.M. VIRTUAL MEETING

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman, William Schuyler, Vice Chair, James Lewis, Jason Osborne, Annie Ebbers, Ann Tucker, Lavonda Bonnard and Casey Kane

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineering, Ryan Knight, Civil Engineering IV, Katye North, Division Chief of Mobility Services, Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineering II, Megan Oleynik, Urban Planner II, Vicky Caudullo, Urban Planner II, Alex Block, Principal Planner, and Christine Mayeur, Principal Planner.

- 1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: Item 9 was deferred
- 2. Approval of the October 26, 2020 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes:

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ebbers to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2020 Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

- **3. ORAL STAFF UPDATES:** Ms. Caudullo updated the Board on the City's Bikeshare program.
- 4. WRITTEN PUBLIC HEARING FOLLOW-UP
 - a. King, Callahan and Russell
- 5. PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

[This period is restricted to items not listed on the docket]
Ms. Cooke raised concerns about the noise created from cars drag racing on I-495.

CONSENT ITEMS

- **6. ISSUE**: Consideration of a request to replace an existing yield sign with a stop sign on the Duke Street Service Road approach to North Pickett Street
- 7. **ISSUE**: Consideration of a request to close Wales Alley to vehicular traffic
- 8. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to implement the residential pay by phone program on the 200 block of S. Royal Street.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke about these items.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to approve the Consent items. The motion carried unanimously.

9. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to remove parking on the 500 block of Montgomery Street for a bikeshare station.

DISCUSSION: Item was deferred.

10. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add "No Through Truck" restrictions on unit block and 100 block of East Linden Street

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented this item to the Board. The Board expressed concern about the potential for truck traffic to be diverted to other parallel routes, such as, East Maple Street or East Walnut Street. There was also concern about large trucks and the narrow street width on East Linden Street.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Major, Ms. Hunter, Ms. Knight, Mr. Jelks, Mr. Stillman, Mr. Burkart, Mr. Fujka, Mr. Rhodes, and Mr. Denetriades spoke in favor of restricting truck traffic on East Linden Street.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to recommend to City Council adding "No Through Truck" restrictions on unit block and 100 block of East Linden Street. The motion carried unanimously.

11. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to remove 4-hour parking signs on the 5000-5200 blocks of Fillmore Avenue (between St. James United Methodist Church and North Beauregard Street)

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented this item to the Board. The Board expressed concern that removing the four-hour restrictions might encourage commercial vehicles to start parking on Fillmore Avenue as well as other longer-term parkers. Ms. Oleynik indicated that since this was a residential area, commercial vehicles would not be allowed to park.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Ms. Turnbull spoke in favor of the staff's recommendations.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ebbers to approve the request to remove 4-hour parking signs on the 5000-5200 blocks of Fillmore Avenue (between St. James United Methodist Church and North Beauregard Street). The motion carried unanimously.

12. STAFF UPDATES:

None