CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 7:30 P.M. 301 KING STREET, 2nd FLOOR ROOM 2000

MINUTES

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineering, Darren Buck Complete Street Program Manager, Katye North, Parking Planner and Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineer II.

- **1.** Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None.
- 2. <u>Approval of the July 23, 2018 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes</u>: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2018 Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ms. Holland spoke about cut-through traffic in the Commonwealth Avenue and W. Linden Street.
 - Mr. Pakula and Ms. Pakula spoke about not having enough parking enforcement on 600 block of Queen Street.
 - Mr. Murphy spoke about the limited number of parking space in the Chinquapin circle.
 - Mr. West spoke about pedestrian crossing issue in the Del Ray area.
 - Mr. Dodhy Spoke about Uber violating the HOV lanes during rush-hour and the need for more enforcement of the HOV lanes.

PUBLIC HEARING:

4. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to establish a 25mph school zone speed limit on North Beauregard Street in front of Ferdinand Day Elementary School for 30 minutes during student arrival and dismissal at the beginning and ending of the school day.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz introduced the item to the Board. The Board has concern about the location of the proposed northern signs.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to approve staff's recommendation and move the northern signs further north to N. Highview Lane. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to prohibit left turns from southbound West Rosemont Avenue and Cedar Street onto King Street between the hours of 4 PM to 6:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board. He explained the traffic pattern in the area.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Ms. Holland and Mr. Beaver spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Osborn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to approve the request and direct staff to revisit the area after the King, Callahan and Russell project finished. The motion carried unanimously.

6. ISSUE: Consideration of staff recommendations on the renewal of existing certificates of public convenience and necessity.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke.

7. ISSUE: Consideration of staff recommendations on the proposed taxicab fare rate change.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Dodhy and Mr. Atayee opposed the proposal to eliminate the suitcase and animal charges and reduce the extra passenger charge from \$1.25 to \$1:00.

8. ISSUE: Consideration of staff recommendations on the proposed changes to the fees the City charges to the taxicab industry.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Atayee expressed concern that the fees were too high and needed to be reduced.

9. BUDGET PRIORITY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Consideration of the City Manager's request for input on budget priorities

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board.

BOARD ACTION: The Board recommended the following budget priorities:

- Enforcement and enforcement technology
- Parking and wayfinding technologies
- Vision Zero
- Complete Streets
- Sidewalk expansion and repair

STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATES

- o Mr. Kane updated the Board about the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan.
- o Mr. Buck updated the Board about the Seminary Road Complete Street Project
- o Ms. North updated the Board about:
 - 1. Traffic and Parking Board Code
 - 2. RPP Subcommittee