

From: Donna M. Murray
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Montrose Avenue and Richmond Highway
Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 2:02:09 PM

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Good afternoon,

I am a resident of the Lynhaven neighborhood. I live at 240 Evans Lane. The addition of FlavorHive at the intersection of Montrose and Richmond Highway has created a safety concern for travel along Montrose.

Lynhaven is a small community with relatively narrow streets. While parking is always a concern in our neighborhood, the addition of the FlavorHive food truck has created a safety concern for vehicles both entering Montrose from Richmond Highway and vehicles trying to exit Montrose onto Richmond Highway. Cars parked on both sides of Montrose limit the access to just a single vehicle. I've watched a number of instances of escalating road rage as folks try to traverse this area.

I have expressed concerns during the public comment period for the SUP for the restaurant; however, with FlavorHive already utilizing the space for their food truck, comments to the SUP are useless.

Eliminating parking on the north side of Montrose from Richmond Highway to the first alley entrance (also north side) would significantly improve safety for everyone. It won't completely alleviate the problem, but it will help.

Additionally, enhanced parking enforcement - keeping vehicles from blocking alleys or parking in alleys - would have a positive impact on the quality of life for residents of the neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration. I'm happy to provide any further information.

Best,
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From: [Bryan Hayes](#)
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: FW: Safe Routes to School Project at July 28 Traffic & Parking Board public hearing
Date: Thursday, July 24, 2025 1:10:14 PM

From: Ralph Buehler <ralph.buehler@gmail.com>
Date: Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 12:43 PM
To: Bryan Hayes <bryan.hayes@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: Re: Safe Routes to School Project at July 28 Traffic & Parking Board public hearing

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Thank you Bryan. The changes look good. I think there should be even more.

For Jefferson Houston, there are many kids coming from the Braddock Road Metrostation area. They often walk or bike along the trail next to the metro from Braddock to King Street Stations. Then they leave the trail at the corner of Oronoco and Earl Street. That's a very dangerous corner with cars driving too fast and in the middle of the wide road coming from Oronoco (there is a stop sign from the Earl direction). Next the kids cross Princess (after walking down Earl). There is a crosswalk, but only on one side of the street and the cars coming from the west (from the subway line) are often too fast and drivers have bad vision due to the rising sun in the morning (sun rising in the east blinding drivers going east). I think there should be a stop sign for traffic on Princess when crossing Earl.

Thanks for all your work.

Ralph

Am Di., 22. Juli 2025 um 19:48 Uhr schrieb Bryan Hayes <bryan.hayes@alexandriava.gov>:

Good afternoon,

You are receiving this email because you previously provided feedback on this project, or because one of the project locations is in your community.

On July 28, the Traffic & Parking Board is voting on the proposed removal of on-street parking at six locations near four Alexandria City Public Schools as part of the [Crossing Improvements Near](#)

[Schools Project.](#)

This VDOT funded project will design and construct crossing improvements recommended in the 2017 Safe Routes to School Walk Audits. By reducing some on-street parking, the City can install concrete curb extensions that improve visibility at crosswalks and shorten crossing distances at the following locations:

- Patrick Henry K-8 School (North Jordan Street & Taney Avenue)
- Samuel Tucker Elementary School (mid-block crossing at Cameron Station Boulevard)
- Jefferson-Houston PreK-8 School (North West & Princess Street)
- Mount Vernon Community School (Commonwealth Avenue at Uhler, Mt Ida, and Groves Avenues)

You can provide feedback on the proposed parking changes by:

- Emailing comments to trafficandparkingboard@alexandriava.gov.
- Signing up to speak at the July 28 Traffic & Parking Board public hearing.

Visit alexandriava.gov/TrafficParkingBoard for the July docket, which includes meeting and project details.

Thank you for your interest in making it safer and easier for students to walk to school.

Bryan

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From: Eleanor Breen
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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Safe Routes to School Crossing Improvements - Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 12:03:47 PM

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Dear Chair and Members of the Traffic and Parking Board, I am a parent of a student at MVCS and have walked down the east side of Commonwealth across Uhler for 4 years now. I recommend voting against the parking proposal as it currently stands.

My recommendation is to vote no. Spend a week observing the situation, asking parents, and develop a new plan that eliminates or constrains parking on the south side of Uhler. That will provide a Safe Route for these kids to get to school.

Safe Routes to School are incredibly important. On my walks to school, I have observed one bus/car accident (at the east side of the Uhler/Commonwealth intersection), countless parents/caregivers, contractors, even police parking in the crosswalks across Commonwealth at Del Ray Ave and across Uhler at Commonwealth. I have politely asked people to move. I have put in numerous 311s for those who refused. I bring this up to say that I am keen aware of ensuring that MVCS kids get safely to their destination and can efficiently and safely get across streets using crosswalks. The new pole barriers on either side of the crosswalk at Commonwealth have been a huge step in the right direction.

What is a huge step in the right direction for the Uhler/Commonwealth intersection? I can only speak to the east side of the street, but my recommendation is to remove the parking on the south side (or limit hours), just after you turn off of Commonwealth onto Uhler. The issue is not the parking on Commonwealth. It is the parking on Uhler, south side, after you turn right off Commonwealth. It constricts the 2-way traffic and is an insanely busy intersection during the 730-8am half hour. People can't see, they can't turn, and they just sit and sometimes even park(!) in that intersection.

My recommendation is to vote no. Spend a week observing the situation, asking parents, and develop a new plan that eliminates or constrains parking on the south side of Uhler. That will provide a Safe Route for these kids to get to school.

Thank you for all you do for the City of Alexandria, The Wardians

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From: Brooke Kelly
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Traffic Calming Committee feedback for 7/28 meeting
Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 1:40:45 PM

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Hi there,

I'm reaching out about the proposed traffic calming measures around Mount Vernon Community School. For all crossings, including the existing ones, please please have the walk sign appear automatically/in sync with the light cycle vs. only after someone presses the crosswalk button. Almost every pedestrian, especially those with children, don't get to hit the button in time for the light cycle they are in and so end up waiting another light cycle before crossing the street. This leads to confusion, pedestrian traffic build up, and unsafe crossings. I live on Mt. Ida, so I'm most familiar with the traffic at the crosswalk by the school and library (Mt. Ida/Commonwealth), and this is a constant issue. It would be so much safer if the walk symbol would appear with each light cycle. My guess is that this would also prevent needing a pedestrian exclusive phase of the light cycles, which drivers will appreciate, because it's already quite a long light when red. That being said, a pedestrian exclusive phase may make sense during school start and end, as that's when there is the most foot traffic.

Thank you so much for considering my request. I really appreciate there being a forum for this and that the safety of the area is being considered.

Best,
Brooke Kelly

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From: Jennifer Barksdale
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Improving traffic safety at MVCS
Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 1:56:27 PM

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What the intersection at Mt Ida and Commonwealth Ave needs is a consistent crossing guard. No curb cut is going to safely get kids across the street. We used to have one for many years and we have been without one since Covid. Cars run that light ALL the time, cars make illegal right on red ALL the time. We need a physical safety patrol person for school arrival and dismissal times before someone is hurt.
Jennifer Barksdale

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Date: 7/25/2025

Bryan Hayes, Complete Streets Coordinator
Department of Transportation & Environmental Services
Via Email: trafficeandparkingboard@alexandriava.gov

RE: Crossing Improvements Near Schools Project

Dear Mr. Hayes,

Thank you for providing the Crossing Improvements Near Schools Project information slated for the Traffic and Parking Board hearing on 7/28/2025. The DRCA Traffic Calming Committee (TCC) evaluated the project as it relates to the three intersections noted for the Mount Vernon Community School, and reached out to DRCA members as soon as the information was received on 7/22/2025. A meeting was held on 7/23/2025 for those who could attend.

While we did not have sufficient time for a full membership vote on this proposal, the TCC voted unanimously to support the proposed crosswalks and curb extensions. That said, the following concerns were raised:

- Given ongoing challenges with parking enforcement in this area, it is critical that any parking spaces being removed are, in fact, filled with the proposed curb extensions (or other appropriate daylighting amenities such as bikeshare or plantings) and are therefore physically blocked from illegal use by vehicles. We believe this is your plan, but wanted to emphasize the importance as plans move forward.
- For Groves Ave specifically, residents noted frequent double parking on the east side of Commonwealth next to the Mount Vernon Recreation Center, as well as frequent U-turns in this intersection. They expressed concern that installation of a crosswalk within that traffic dynamic may make children less safe. As such, we ask the city consider other appropriate safety measures coupled with the crosswalk.

These improvements align with DRCA goals to improve safety and walkability in Del Ray. The DRCA Executive Board also supports this planned improvement and hopes it can be completed prior to the 2030 project target.

We deeply appreciate your willingness to hear our feedback and strive to provide it to the best of our ability. As one final note, in this case, we received project details just 6 days before the Traffic and Parking Board meeting. We did our best to engage the MVCS PTA for feedback as well, but as you can imagine July is an exceptionally difficult time to engage a school community. We respectfully request additional notice and thought to enabling more comprehensive community feedback in the future.

Sincerely,

Leanna Saler, DRCA Traffic Calming Committee Co-Chair
Rebecca Gordon, DRCA Traffic Calming Committee Co-Chair
Tim Laderach, DRCA President



From: Eddie Boddie
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#); [Bryan Hayes](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Safe Routes to School Project at July 28 Traffic & Parking Board
Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 2:13:56 PM

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Good afternoon,

Regarding the Mount Vernon Community School crossing improvements - this is a great start but I believe is only addressing half of the area of concern. In addition to the Commonwealth Ave. side of the school, the Mount Vernon Avenue area where morning school bus drop offs/afternoon parent pick-ups occur needs addressing.

I've lived on the 2700 block of Mount Vernon Ave for the past 6 years and I've witnessed illegal vehicle activity all day, every day, with no end in sight. Specifically near the crosswalks leading to the school crossing Mount Vernon Avenue from Stewart Ave. Food delivery drivers park illegally near the crosswalk, even ON the crosswalk, daily leading to very dangerous crosswalk conditions for the busy Mount Vernon Avenue road. Despite the city's attempt to make a "loading zone only" parking area across from the school here - these delivery drivers just don't use it. If they do, they make the illegal U-turn (where signage is present stating no U-turns allowed) to do so. These drivers just do not care about the law, so the city needs to make permanent structure changes (crosswalk bump-outs/curb extensions to prevent parking) to ensure safe conditions are being met. Otherwise, I fear someone will soon be struck by a passing vehicle that does not see a pedestrian because these crosswalks are being obstructed by illegally parked vehicles. I've personally witnessed about a dozen near-misses involving children in the recent years. I'm sure many, many more have occurred. Please help. I'm not an overly concerned, overzealous parent, I don't even have children. I just see a problem occurring every day that can be ended by a simple action from a Complete Streets Coordinator like yourself.

Thank you,

Eddie

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From: Sarah Husain
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]in support of Complete Streets project at MVCS
Date: Friday, July 25, 2025 7:57:18 AM

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Hi--

I am writing in support of all of the Complete Streets projects in and around Mount Vernon Community School. My family lives a few blocks from Mount Vernon Community School and my daughter is a rising 5th grader. She started walking home by herself last year. Even with the school zone, existing crosswalks, bike lanes, and blinking yellow lights, drivers still fly through our neighborhood and through crosswalks. The proposed project would not only benefit kids walking to/from school, the rec center, or the library, but any of our neighbors that walk on and around Commonwealth Avenue.

I am glad to see the bike lanes retained along Commonwealth-- this street is heavily used by bikes on every day of the week, including students at MVCS and at George Washington Middle School. Ideally they would be extended down the full length of Commonwealth Ave for this reason.

My only frustration with this project is its speed and proposed timeline. In 2017 when the walk audits were conducted, my daughter was 2. By 2030, or when this project is slated for completion, our MVCS student will be attending Alexandria City High School.

Thanks in advance for your time and consideration!

Sarah Husain
14 Ancell Street

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From: [David Kaplan](#)
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Docket Item 6 - Support
Date: Thursday, July 24, 2025 11:18:59 PM

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Dear Traffic and Parking Board Members:

I write in support of item 6 on your July agenda which is the safe routes to school parking removal. These projects will improve walkability near schools in neighborhoods across the City improving safety.

Staff has worked hard to minimize the parking loss resulting from these projects and the changes will not impede movement of emergency vehicles and buses.

I hope staff will bring forward additional improvements that were identified in the Safe Routes to School audits in the coming months.

David Kaplan
Alexandria, VA 22314

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From: Eldon Boes
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Walk Audit recommendations
Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 5:43:43 PM

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I understand that the TPB will be considering approval of several street crossing safety improvements near 4 ACPS schools at your next Board meeting. I frequently help with bicycling classes at those and other ACPS schools, and I am very supportive of actions to make walking and biking safer at all of our schools. I'm very pleased to see that these actions, which I believe were recommended by Walk Audits conducted in 2017 (and I probably participated in more than one of them) are finally being addressed. And, I'm a bit appalled that it has taken this long.

Please approve these actions, and thank you.

Eldon Boes

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From: Valerie Braiman
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Crosswalks on Commonwealth
Date: Friday, July 25, 2025 9:32:30 AM

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Good morning,

I just wanted to express my support for the proposed project for crosswalks on Commonwealth Ave on the intersections of Groves, Mt Ida and Uhler. As someone who lives near these intersections with kids at Mount Vernon Community school I believe it is needed to ensure the safety of our kids when crossing to and from school and the rec center. As is too many drivers go by too fast and the visibility from cars parked doesn't let them see the kids coming through.

Thank you,

Valerie Kleinrock

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From: [Sara Brandt-Vorel](#)
To: [Sheila McGraw](#); [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Cc: [Katie North](#)
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL]King Street Safety Improvements at ACHS. BPAC position.
Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 4:20:15 PM

Hi All,

forwarding this letter of support from BPAC for the King Street project.

Apologies for the delay.

best,

Sara

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From: Alexandria Carroll <Alexandria.Carroll@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2025 4:55 PM
To: Ken Notis <civ2kn@gmail.com>
Cc: Mary-Jane Roth <greenst@comcast.net>; Sara Brandt-Vorel <Sara.BrandtVorel@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]King Street Safety Improvements at ACHS. BPAC position.

Hi Ken,

Thank you for reaching out and sharing your feedback. I'm cc'ing the Project Manager [@Sara Brandt-Vorel](#) for her awareness.

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From: Ken Notis <civ2kn@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2025 4:13 PM
To: Alexandria Carroll <Alexandria.Carroll@alexandriava.gov>
Cc: Mary-Jane Roth <greenst@comcast.net>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]King Street Safety Improvements at ACHS. BPAC position.

Alex,

I am writing on behalf of the Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC). The committee has voted to support Option 2, with a center turn lane and protected bike lanes on King Street.

Let me know if you have any questions about our position.

Ken Notis

Chair, Alexandria BPAC

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From: [Nathan Zencey](#)
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]public comment for July 28 meeting
Date: Sunday, July 27, 2025 5:27:02 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

I write to offer public comment for the upcoming Traffic and Parking Board meeting on July 28, 2025, as I cannot attend in-person.

My comment is about Docket Item 8: 200 Block of King Street Permanent Closure.

I really like the "closure" of the street, which is really opening it to pedestrians and community life. I hope the City Council makes the current pilot permanent.

My family and I walk down here regularly after dinner now because it's a space for our 18 month old daughter to run around safely. We always buy something from Kilwin's - usually ice cream on a hot summer day - and hang out for the evening. It's an amazing feeling. I am very proud to live in a community that has this historic feel.

I feel the city and Traffic and Parking Board has thoroughly considered and accommodated the issues with parking, emergency access, and trash collection associated with this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,
Nathan Zencey

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From: [Debbie Dittmann](#)
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: re: Traffic and Parking Board Meeting – Monday, July 28
Date: Monday, July 28, 2025 8:50:50 AM

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I am thrilled with the car- free blocks on King Street. In fact, I'd like to see it extended another block to City Hall.

Deborah Dittmann
1257 Madison St.

From: mary b
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]200 Block of King Street pedestrian only
Date: Sunday, July 27, 2025 11:24:47 AM

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Please keep the 200 block of King street open to pedestrian only traffic;
It creates a safe an enjoyable experience.

Thank you,
Mary Brokenborough

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From: [scott talan](#)
To: [Sheila McGraw](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]King street comment
Date: Monday, July 28, 2025 10:39:51 AM

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Hi Sheila.

I am very much in favor of keeping the pedestrian zone in the 200 block of King. Especially if businesses can place chairs and tables outside.

We need less car traffic and more people walking and enjoying!

Scott Talan
4551 strutfield lane

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From: [Alex Goyette](#)
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Support for Items 6, 7, and 8 at 7/28 hearing
Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 2:35:55 PM

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Good afternoon,

I'm writing in support of items 6, 7, and 8 at the Board's meeting on 7/28:

Item 6 Safe Routes to School: these safety improvements are desperately needed around our schools to ensure students, parents, and staff can safely and confidently make their way to and from school. I'm especially excited for students who, with safe routes to school in place, will benefit from the additional independence that parents can safely allow for older children to walk to and from school themselves. No amount of parking is worth trading away Alexandrians' safety and childrens' independence.

Item 7 King Street: Similar to Item 6, this project will significantly enhance safety for students in Alexandria. It also contributes to the city's small but growing network of safe bike & pedestrian infrastructure, adding new safe options to a key corridor used by Alexandrians of all ages to traverse the city.

Item 8 200 Block of King: Permanently opening the 200-block of King to people instead of re-closing it to pedestrians in favor of cars is a no-brainer. The 2 open blocks of King are hands down the most vibrant area of our city, and contribute not only to safety but also serve as a real draw for tourists seeking the historic car-free character and the fun and joy allowed by dedicating more space to people - as evidenced by the support from Visit Alexandria. As a parent I also love the 200 block being open to kids - we can hop directly off our DASH bus at the corner of King & Fairfax and not have to worry about the danger cars pose to our kids as they set off toward the promise of an ice cream by the waterfront.

Please advance all 3 items. Thank you
Alex

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From: [Asa Orrin-Brown](#)
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Support for items #6, 7 and 8
Date: Sunday, July 27, 2025 6:52:16 PM

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Traffic and Parking Board members,

I am writing to support items number 6, 7 and 8.

Safe routes to school are critical. As a parent of one current student enrolled in ACPS, and a total of 3 who have attended in my time here in Alexandria, I strongly believe safe routes to school are vital for the safety and mental health of our community. Children need to gain independence by doing things like biking and walking to school, and safe infrastructure is critical to make this possible. I grew up walking to school, and then eventually expanded my range, taking the public bus around town and to school in middle school and biking in high school. Those experiences did so much to help me become healthy and independent. It is vital that we allow our children now to have the same independence and experiences that so many of us grew up with.

The safety improvements by the King Street campus of ACHS help with this sort of safety and independence, fostering physical health through active transportation, as well as independence and problem solving, reinforcing positive mental health. Many kids walk to and between the two high school campuses, and these safety improvements will make that activity safer, as well as improve everyone's safe access to the DASH bus stops.

I am also a strong supporter of the expanded pedestrian zone in Old Town. As a photographer who operates a small business here in Alexandria, the pedestrian zone has had a huge positive impact on my business. I meet many families and couples by the Starbucks on S Union to take photos by the water and up and down King and Prince street. As a result I have had many conversations with people about the pedestrian zone and the response has been overwhelmingly positive. In addition to spending money with my business for their portraits, many of the clients I meet also make additional purchases in Old Town, like buying icecream for kids or going to dinner after our session. Many of them also share stories with me about first dates and other pivotal life moments that happened for them in our city. Old Town and the expanded pedestrian zone is the single most beneficial things the City has done in the past decade to support my business. I wholeheartedly support making this expansion permanent, and hope that the pedestrian zone will grow more in the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,
Asa Orrin-Brown

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From: bonnoday@gmail.com
To: [TES-Traffic and Parking Board](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Comments on proposed walking and biking safety
Date: Friday, July 25, 2025 4:44:49 PM

My husband and I are low vision/blind and walk to do our errands and catch the bus. We also organize a tandem biking group for low vision individuals in Alexandria. We are therefore pleased about three proposed public safety projects you will be considering next Monday.:

We especially support the King Street Access & Safety at Alexandria City High School (T&PB Docket Item #7 because we ride our tandems down King street on most Tuesdays.): In particular, we support the protected bike lanes extended to Radford Street and the high visibility crosswalks, making it easier to cross King Street. These changes are needed to improve safety for all road users and provide safe walking and bicycling access along a high priority corridor.

We also support the 200 Block of King Street Permanent Closure (T&PB Docket Item #8): It is fun to walk that extra block with no traffic and to sample the outside seating that is made available through this change. We support this becoming permanent.

Safe Routes to School Crossing Improvements Near Schools (T&PB Docket Item #6): Unsafe vehicle speeds and unsafe crossings are the top reasons parents have cited for not allowing their children to walk or bike to school. We have several friends that teach students to ride bicycles and this is pointless without safe streets and intersections. City staff is proposing changes at intersections near four schools for (1) safer vehicle speeds, (2) shorter crossing distances and (3) better visibility by removing parking spaces immediately adjacent to applicable intersections. We support this idea.

Bonnie O'Day and Robert Hartt
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July 26, 2025

Chair Tucker and members of the Traffic and Parking Board (T&PB),

Grassroots Alexandria (GrA) supports safer walking and biking to schools and making permanent the current “pedestrian plaza” pilot project on the 200 block of King Street.

Safe Routes to School Crossing Improvements Near Schools (T&PB Docket Item #6): Unsafe vehicle speeds and unsafe crossings are the top reasons parents have cited for not allowing their children to walk or bike to school. Excessive vehicle speeds also increase the likelihood of a fatal crash. GrA strongly supports proposed changes near four schools for (1) safer vehicle speeds, (2) shorter crossing distances and (3) better visibility by removing parking spaces immediately adjacent to applicable intersections.

King St Access & Safety at Alexandria City High School (ACHS) (T&PB Docket Item #7): King Street near ACHS lacks essential elements of a safe and equitable multi-modal corridor: pedestrian refuge islands, traffic signals timed to provide safety for people walking, connected and protected bicycle lanes, and safe and accessible bus stops. GrA strongly supports proposed safety changes on King Street at Alexandria City High School, including (1) motor vehicle lane reductions (2) a high visibility crosswalk with a pedestrian island (3) protected bike lanes (4) traffic signal changes to allow people more time to cross the street and (5) a dedicated bus pull-off. These changes will improve safety for all road users and provide safe walking, bicycling and bus access in a high priority multi-modal corridor.

Keep the 200 Block of King Street Permanently Open to People (a.k.a 200 Block of King Street Permanent Closure) (T&PB Docket Item #8): The 200 block of King Street is currently a pilot “pedestrian plaza”, i.e., open to people walking and closed to cars. GrA asks that the T&PB recommend that the “pedestrian plaza” on the 200 block of King Street be made permanent. This long-awaited change will make lower King Street a more comfortable and enjoyable place to visit without vehicle emissions directly in our faces.

Thank you for your consideration of each of these items.

Respectfully,

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