

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA  
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025, 7 P.M.  
IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Ann Tucker, Vice Chair Casey Kane, Annie Ebbers, Ashley Mihalik, Kursten Phelps, Dane Lauritzen, and Mark Stout.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** T&ES – Katy North, Division Chief; Sheila McGraw, Principal Planner; Alex Carroll, Principal Planner; Daniel Markham, Civil Engineer IV; Andre Williams, Civil Engineer III; Max Devilliers, Urban Planner III; and Jessica Brown, Civil Engineer I. Climate Action Office – Ryan Freed, Climate Action Officer; and Amy Posner, EV Planner.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None.
2. Approval of the October 27, 2025, Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes:

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Phelps, to edit the minutes of the October 27, 2025, Traffic and Parking Board meeting to reflect that Ms. Ebbers was absent. Ms. Phelps made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ebbers, to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2025, Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

3. **WRITTEN STAFF UPDATES:** The Board received written staff updates on:
  - Parking Enforcement Pilot Contractor Program Update
  - Traffic and Parking Board Meeting Schedule 2026
4. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD:** Rawley Vaughan testified in support of traffic calming measures along Braddock Road under and around the railroad tracks.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Mr. Lauritzen moved, seconded by Ms. Phelps, to remove item #5 from the consent agenda with a friendly amendment from Mr. Kane to remove items #6, 8, and 9 as well. The amended motion passed unanimously.

5. **ISSUE:** Parking Removal – Crossing Improvements Near Schools Phase I

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Hayes presented the item to the Board. Mr. Kane asked if the exclusive pedestrian phase will operate throughout the day, which Mr. Hayes confirmed

it would. Ms. Tucker asked if this would be the first diagonal crossing near a school, to which Mr. Hayes responded that the first was on Sanger Avenue near William Ramsay Elementary School. Alex stated that staff will develop standards for future diagonal crossings as well. Ms. Mihalik requested that the City consider adding more crossing guards citywide and would like to know the criteria for assigning crossing guards. Ms. Tucker asked if this project could be accomplished with two crosswalks instead of three, to which Mr. Hayes responded that the northern crossing is required and adding the diagonal crossing had no additional impact on parking but helped to meet existing pedestrian demand. Ms. Mihalik asked if it would be possible to reject just the northern crosswalk, to which Mr. Hayes responded that current designs would not allow for doing so.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Scarlett Scudder testified in opposition. Mr. Williams added that residents can apply for a permit to divert traffic with a detour to conduct housework but it would be costly.

Russell Anderson testified in support for the parking removal, the diagonal crosswalk, and the 'No Turn on Red' signage, but requested additional speed control/prevention measures.

Peggy Ashbrook testified in support.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Ebbers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauritzen, to recommend the Director of T&ES:

- Remove two on-street parking spaces at the northwest corner of Commonwealth Avenue and Mount Ida Avenue; and
- Install No Turn on Red (NTOR) restrictions for southbound Commonwealth Avenue turning right onto westbound Mount Ida Avenue.

The motion carried six to one, with Ms. Tucker opposed.

**6. ISSUE:** No Turn on Red – Russell Road/Monroe Avenue/High Street

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** None.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Phelps, to recommend the Director of T&ES install No Turn on Red restrictions at all approaches of the intersection of Russell Road, Monroe Avenue, and High Street. The motion carried unanimously.

**7. ISSUE:** Loading Zone Addition – 126 North Patrick Street

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** None.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Phelps made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ebbers, to recommend the Director of T&ES add a 40-foot-long loading zone at 126 North Patrick Street, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., daily. The motion carried unanimously.

## **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

8. **ISSUE:** Parking Removal - Capital Bikeshare Station Relocation 100 Block of South Royal Street

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** None.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ebbers, to recommend the Director of T&ES to remove three (3) on-street parking spaces from the east side of the 100 block of South Royal Street for a Capital Bikeshare station during the City Hall renovation project. The motion carried unanimously.

9. **ISSUE:** Motorcoach Loading Relocation and Parking Restriction Modifications – 300 and 400 Blocks of King Street

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. McGraw presented the item to the Board. Mr. Kane raised a concern about the double parking that generally occurs on Royal Street to start occurring on King Street instead as a result of the relocation of the farmers market, to which Ms. North responded that she will notify Parking Enforcement of this potential issue.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Wellington Watts testified in support, but requested more motorcoach loading space on Royal or Pitt Streets, clearer signage, and pay-in-person options for motorcoach drivers parking on the street. Ms. Mihalik asked how Mr. Watts directs motorcoach drivers, to which he responded that he directs them to the Staff-made map online. Ms. Tucker asked staff for their thoughts, to which Ms. McGraw responded that staff would like to see how the current proposal works for the first few months and will make adjustments as needed working with Mr. Watts. Ms. Tucker asked when peak motorcoach loading occurs, to which Mr. Watts responded that it occurs in the evenings, usually after dinner. Mr. Kane asked if staff is working on a payment solution to address Mr. Watts' concerns, to which Ms. McGraw responded that staff is looking into solutions.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Ebbers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauritzen, to recommend the Director of T&ES:

- Designate eight on-street parking spaces on the 400 block of King Street as Motorcoach loading only during the City Hall renovation project, and
- Add five metered parking spaces to the 300 block of King Street during the City Hall renovation project.

The motion carried unanimously.

**10. ISSUE: Curb Cut Appeal – 1612 Princess Street**

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Williams presented the item to the Board. Mr. Kane noted that allowing the curb ramps to remain unchanged would be unsafe, particularly for persons with disabilities. Ms. Mihalik asked what staff observed with regards to driver speeds, to which Mr. Markham responded that no speeding was observed during the survey but staff could check speed data for a longer period. Mr. Kane asked staff to check with the Police Department about crashes in the immediate vicinity. Ms. Carroll suggested that the residents apply for the Neighborhood Transportation Improvements Program to address speeding concerns.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Paul Miller testified in support of permitting the curb cut. Tamara Adams testified in opposition of permitting the curb cut. Elliott Watts testified in opposition of permitting the curb cut and noted that the parking survey was conducted during the federal government shutdown and that City staff presence likely discouraged drivers from speeding. Jackie Gaither testified in opposition of permitting the curb cut.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Ebbers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauritzen, to approve the curb cut application. The motion carried unanimously.

**11. ISSUE: Administrative Approval Process - Electric Vehicle Charging Only Parking Requirements for Curbside Electric Vehicle Charging**

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Posner presented the item to the Board. Mr. Stout asked what staff found in other jurisdictions, to which Ms. Posner responded that Norfolk is the only other jurisdiction in Virginia to have a similar permit; other jurisdictions include DC, Portland (OR), Boston, and Seattle. Ms. Posner mentioned that the City would issue 5-year permits for a 2-year period, pause the issuance of permits, collect feedback, and make improvements before issuing additional permits. Mr. Kane would like the City to consider including commercial properties in the future and would like the \$25 citation fee for misusing the EV space to be increased. Mr. Kane also suggested to work with the Police Department to develop best practices for issuing citations and asked how this program relates to the Alexandria Mobility Plan, to which Ms. Posner responded that applications/sites would be reviewed by Transportation Branch staff to ensure siting doesn't affect future projects. Mr. Kane added that Small Area Plans should also be considered when reviewing applications, and that the term "Amenity Zone" should be further defined in the document. Mr. Kane requested that staff clarify how the lack of accessible off-street parking will be investigated as part of the review of these applications in the future. Mr. Stout asked how the City will ensure that inactive EV chargers are responsibly removed, to which Ms. Posner responded that those cases will be covered by the agreement with the vendor. Ms. Phelps asked how staff plans to ensure that the chargers are spread equitably across the city, to which Ms. Posner responded that staff is trying to solve the issue in numerous ways including via multifamily construction.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Steve Banashek testified in support.

Don Burke testified in support.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Ebbers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane, to defer the vote until ten EV parking spaces have been designated by the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

12. **STAFF UPDATES:** Ms. Carroll provided the Board with an update regarding the Complete Streets Annual Program. Ms. McGraw provided the board with an update on Personal Delivery Devices in the city. Ms. Tucker requested a presentation from the Police Department on License Plate Readers and the parking enforcement contractors. Mr. Kane requested a presentation on T&ES' Maintenance of Traffic procedure and enforcement.
13. **COMMISSIONER UPDATES:** None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Phelps moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Ebbers. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.