

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA  
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 7:30 P.M.  
301 KING STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Converse West, Chairman, Jay Johnson, Larry Ruggiero, Patrick Warren, Amy Slack, Randy Cole, Kevin Posey

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom Culpepper, Deputy Director, Transportation & Environmental Service; Bob Garbacz, Division Chief, Transportation; Transportation; Ravi Raut, Transportation Studies Engineer; Sandra Marks, Traffic Calming Coordinator; Leroy Baker, Traffic Survey Technician; Christopher Spera, Assistant City Attorney; City Attorney Office; Monte Rosson, Hack Inspector, Alexandria Police Department; Richard Garcia, Hack Inspector, Alexandria Police Department; Aimee Vosper, Division Chief, Recreation, Parks, & Cultural Activities

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: Item 4 Consideration of a request to remove parking on both sides of the alley on the east side of the 400 block of North Pitt Street was deferred. Item 6 Consideration of a request to install a pedestrian activated signal at the intersection of North Van Dorn Street and Maris Avenue was deferred.
2. Approval of the minutes from the January 28, 2008, Traffic and Parking Board meeting. Ms. Slack made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cole, to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2008, Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The Board voted unanimously to approve the January 28, 2008, minutes.
3. **STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATES:**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

4. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to remove parking on both sides of the alley on the east side of the 400 block of North Pitt Street.

**BOARD ACTION: DEFERRED**

5. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a traffic calming request to construct a roundabout at the intersection of East Glebe Road, Montrose Avenue and Ashby Street.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Melissa Watson and Mr. Richard Bottonarl spoke in favor of the request. Ms. Alma Smith spoke against the request. Mr. Posey made

a motion, seconded by Mr. Warren, to approve the roundabout contingent upon staff bringing the final design back to the Board for the Board's review. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion and the motion carried.

6. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install a pedestrian activated signal at the intersection of North Van Dorn Street and Maris Avenue.

**BOARD ACTION: DEFERRED**

7. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request, on the north side of the unit block of King Street, to: 1) create parking for the King Street Trolley; 2) remove the existing two-hour parking and tour bus loading zone that are presently at this location; and, 3) relocate the existing handicapped parking space at this location to Union Street.

**BOARD ACTION:** Ms. Aimee Vosper, Division Chief, Recreation, Parks, & Cultural Activities gave a summary of the request. Ms. Slack made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion and the motion carried.

**TAXICAB HEARING:**

8. **ISSUE:**  
Recommendation by the Hack Inspector's Office of a 120 day suspension (Revocation Option) of Kohistany S. Mohammad's public driver's permit (#799) for violation of City Code Section: 9-12-6 *Operating taxicab vehicle for hire without insurance.*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board recommendation to the City Manager that Kohistany S. Mohammad's public driver's (permit #799) be suspended for 120 days (Revocation Option) for violation of City Code Section: 9-12-6 *Operating taxicab vehicle for hire without insurance.*

**BOARD ACTION:** Christopher Spera, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office represented the City of Alexandria. Mr. Mohammad spoke in his own defense. Ms. Slack made a motion, seconded by Mr. Posey to revoke Mr. Mohammad's public driver's permit. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion and the motion carried.

9. **ISSUE:**  
Appeal of a one day suspension of Agorkle Cepha's public driver's permit (#613)

for violation of City Code Section: 9-12-56(b) *Manifest Violation*.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board recommend to the City Manager that the appeal be denied and that Agorkle Cepha's public driver's permit (#613) be suspended for one day for violation of City Code Section: 9-12-56(b) *Manifest Violation*.

**BOARD ACTION:** Christopher Spera, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office represented the City of Alexandria. Mr. Agorkle Cepha spoke in his own defense. Mr. Posey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Slack to deny the appeal of the one day suspension. The Board voted 3-4 against the motion and the motion was lost. Mr. West, Ms. Slack and Mr. Posey voted for the motion. Mr. Ruggiero, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Warren and Mr. Cole voted against the motion. Mr. Johnson made motion, seconded by Mr. Warren to place Mr. Cepha on 30 days probation, effectively granting the appeal and modifying the penalty. The Board voted 6 to 1 to approve the motion and the motion carried. Mr. Posey voted against the motion.

**10. ISSUE:**

Appeal of a two day suspension of Said A. Alemi's public driver's permit (#729) for violation of City Code Section: 9-12-60(a)(13) *Rude or discourteous conduct towards a passenger*.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board recommend to the City Manager that the appeal be denied and that Said A. Alemi's public driver's permit (#729) be suspended for two days for violation of City Code Section: 9-12-60(a)(13) *Rude or discourteous conduct towards a passenger*.

**BOARD ACTION:** Christopher Spera, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office represented the City of Alexandria. Mr. Said A. Alemi spoke in his own Defense. Ms. Kimberly Cheeks and Ms. Marietta Cheeks the complainant's gave a summary of the event. Mr. Ruggieo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warren to grant the appeal with a one day suspension and 60 days probation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion and the motion carried.

**11. ISSUE:**

Recommendation by the Hack Inspector's Office that Abdul Latiff Boura's public driver's permit (# 200) be suspended for 10 days for violation of the City Code Sections: 9-12-41 *Operating a taxicab for hire without a drivers permit*; 9-12-56(a) *Failure to report an accident within 24 hours to the Hack Office*, 9-12-60(a)(13) *Rude or discourteous conduct towards a passenger*. 9-12-60(a)(11) *Doing act that jeopardizes the health, safety and welfare of the public*.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board recommend to the City Manager that Abdul Latiff Boura's public

driver's permit (# 200) be suspended for 10 days for violation of the City Code Sections: 9-12-41 *Operating a taxicab for hire without a drivers permit*; 9-12-56(a) *Failure to report an accident within 24 hours to the Hack Office*, 9-12-60(a)(13) *Rude or discourteous conduct towards a passenger*. 9-12-60(a)(11) *Doing act that jeopardizes the health, safety and welfare of the public*.

**BOARD ACTION:** Christopher Spera, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office represented the City of Alexandria. Mr. Abdul Latiff Boura spoke in his own defense. Ms. Ann Marlow the complainant gave a summary of the event. Ms. Maritza M. Sadowsky spoke on the behalf of Mr. Abdul Latiff Boura. Mr. Posey made a motio, seconded by Mr. Warren to recommend to the City Manager that Abdul Latiff Boura's public driver's permit (# 200) be suspended for 10 days. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion and the motion carried.

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**NEXT TRAFFIC & PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 24, 2008**