CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY JULY 23, 2012, 7:30 P.M.
301 KING STREET, 2nd FLOOR
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair, Jay Johnson, Vice Chair, Larry Ruggiero, Gregory Cota, Mary White, William Schuyler, Kevin Posey, Vishal Aswani.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Abi Lerner, Deputy Director, Bob Garbacz, Division Chief, Ravi Raut, Studies Engineer, Faye Dastghaib, Principal Parking Planner, Chris Dowling, Transportation Coordinator.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: There were no deferrals or withdrawals.

2. Approval of the minutes from the June 25, 2012, Traffic and Parking Board Meeting: Mr. Schuyler made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Ruggiero. The Traffic and Parking Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2012 Traffic and Parking Board meeting.

3. STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATES: 1) Mr. Lerner updated the Board on the progress of the Charles Barrett Elementary School project. 2) Mr. Noelle, the City Arborist, updated the Board on the curb cut issue at 110 E Howell St.

PUBLIC HEARING:

4. ISSUE: Request to change the parking restrictions on the 3600, 3700 and 3800 blocks of Wheeler Avenue from:

1. NO PARKING 8:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M., Monday through Friday;
2. NO PARKING 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., Monday through Friday; and,
3. NO PARKING 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M., everyday.

To: NO PARKING 9:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M., everyday

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mike Weagley spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Posey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cota to change the parking restrictions on the south side of Wheeler Avenue in front of the
3600, 3700, and 3800 blocks to NO PARKING 9:00 P.M. TO 6:00 A.M., everyday under the conditions that staff reach out to the community to address the issue of harmonizing the parking restrictions on the north side of Wheeler Avenue as well, and report back to the Board in October. The motioned carried unanimously.

5. ISSUE: Request to prohibit left turns from northbound North Quaker Lane onto 36th Street.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Alison Trimble, Jim Evans, Dale May, Michelle Wooley, Fred Hohlweg, Lt. Colonel Layer, Beth Offenbacher, Paul Coelus, and Ray Alexander all spoke in favor of deferring until October 22, 2012. Suggestions proposed by these residents for the intersection include: 1) Do not block the box intersection, 2) a crosswalk at the intersection, 3) reduced speeds through intersection, 4) more pavement markings for right turn lane approaching the intersection, 5) more enforcement at intersection to law breakers, and 6) more visible signs warning drivers before intersection.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Ruggiero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Posey to defer the issue until October 22, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

6. ISSUE: Request to reserve one parking space between the hours of 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. on the south side of the unit block of King Street for DASH supervisor vehicles.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Hatcher and Mr. Meyers spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Elliot and Mr. Roby spoke in favor of the request, and suggested to use one of three or four police designated spots for the DASH parking spot. Mr. Lindsey spoke against the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Cota made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ruggiero, to reserve a shared parking space for DASH supervisors and police officers on the south side of King Street east of The Strand. The motion carried unanimously.

NEXT TRAFFIC & PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING SEPTEMBER 24, 2012