CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2017 7:30 P.M.
301 KING STREET, 2nd FLOOR
ROOM 2000
MINUTES

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Matt Melkerson, Acting Deputy Director, Bob Garbacz, Division Chief, Chris Ziemann, Division Chief of Transportation Planning, Katye North, Parking Planner and Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineer I.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None

2. Approval of the October 23, 2017 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes: Mr. Schuyler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2017 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING:

4. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add a two space loading zone at 618-622 North Washington Street between the hours of 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board and explained that the Board approved this loading zone at their September meeting. However, in September the issue was only posted on Wythe Street and not Washington Street so the Board did not have the authority in September to approve this location. The Board expressed concern because the staff report had noted some limitations with placing the loading zone on Washington Street. Despite these limitations the Board still believed that Washington Street was the best location because of safety concerns on Wythe Street and the proximity to the daycare facility. The Board was concerned for the safety of the children who would be using this loading zone and requested that a high level of monitoring be performed to ensure safety.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to approve the request to add a two space loading zone at 618-622 North Washington Street between the hours of 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to implement the residential pay by phone program on 200 block of Prince Street.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. North presented the item to the Board and explained that 75 percent of the residents signed the petition and that the parking occupancy met the 75 percent requirement. Ms. North answered follow up questions from the September meeting and also explained that if successful, at the end of the pilot staff would need to go before City Council to make the program permanent. Ms. North noted that the Traffic and Parking Board would have a role in the evaluation of the pilot before going to Council.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Mr. Don Kelly, Ms. Diane Tupper, Ms. Anne Kelly spoke in favor of the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to approve the request to implement the residential pay by phone program on 200 block of Prince Street. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to implement the residential pay by phone program on 300 block of S. Lee Street.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. North presented the item to the Board and noted that this was approved at the September Traffic and Parking Board meeting. Shortly after the meeting a resident expressed procedural concerns because this block did not abut a pay by phone parking block as required by code. The problem was that the abutting block was approved at the same time as when the 200 block was approved. The City Attorney indicated that this item should go before the Board a second time now that the 200 block Lee Street and the 100 block of Duke Street was approved to be procedurally correct. Ms. North stated that the 300 block of S. Lee Street meets the requirements for pay by phone parking. More than 50 percent of the residents signed the petition and the parking occupancy was at 76 percent. In response to Mr. Beal’s question, Ms. North stated that guest passes could be printed out in advance of the date needed. Several of the speakers had concerns about the lack of enforcement and Ms. North agreed to follow up with the Police Department. There was a desire to allow residents to enter their guests directly into the app. rather than print passes as many people may not have a printer. The Board asked Ms. North if it would be possible to get more frequent updates, quarterly, of enforcement for the Pilot and Mr. North agreed to follow up with the Police Department.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Ms. Saralee C Boteler, Ms. Beth Gibney, Ms. Suzan Horne, Mr. Jaye Smith spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Edwin Brown, Ms. Mary Palmer, Mr. Beal Lowen opposed the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to approve the request to implement the residential pay by phone program on 300 block of S. Lee Street. The motion carried unanimously.
7. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to:

1. Approve the installation of two (2) Capital Bikeshare stations at the following intersections:
   - Brenman Park Drive and Sommervelle Street
   - Green Street and Washington Street
2. Remove two parking spaces at the proposed station location on the 700 block of Green Street;
3. Add one parking space on the 800 block of Green Street and one parking space on the 900 block of South Columbus Street.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Ziemann presented the item to the Board and explained the process and outreach to determine the sites recommended. The Board discussed the various options and expressed concern about removing parking on Green Street. The Board asked if staff could work with the community concerning traffic issues in the Green Street neighborhood. Mr. Garbacz and Mr. Ziemann agreed to do so. The Board expressed a desire to have a permeable surface rather than a concrete slab at the Brenman Park Bikeshare station.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Mr. David Kaplan spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Dick Shea, Ms. Marilyn Means, Ms. Cecily Crandall opposed the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Schuyler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to approve the request to:

- Approve the installation of Capital Bike Share Station at Brenman Park Drive and Sommervelle Street with a permeable pad.
- Add one parking space on the 800 block of Green Street and one parking space on the 900 block of South Columbus Street.
- Approve the installation of Capital Bike Share Station at location 1B at Green Street and S. Washington Street.

The motion carried unanimously.

**STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATES:**