

**TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING  
APRIL 27, 2009**

**DOCKET ITEM: 4**

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to remove 26 parking spaces on the south side of Jamieson Avenue between Holland Lane and South West Street and install Motorcoach Parking signs 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m..

**APPLICANT:** Motorcoach Tack Force

**LOCATION:** Jamieson Avenue between Holland Lane and South West Street

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of this request.

**DISCUSSION:** The purpose of this request is to establish new tour bus parking on Jamieson Avenue. The Old Town area is experiencing an increase in traffic congestion and is attempting to make on-street parking more efficient to users. This section of Jamieson Avenue has Two-Hour parking restrictions from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays to help facilitate parking turn-over. Tour Bus parking demand is very high and one of the goals of this request is to reduce traffic congestion throughout King Street by removing tour buses from local streets and placing them in a short term parking area.

The City is requesting to remove 26 parking spaces on the south side of Jamieson Avenue to create 10 seasonal tour bus parking spaces and add seasonal tour bus parking signage. The 26 parking spaces must be removed to ensure the tour buses have adequate space to load and unload passengers, the area must be handicapped accessible and to allow the bus to get out of the travel-way when loading and unloading passengers. The City can determine during non-touring season to allow the 26 parking spaces to return.

**BOARD ACTION:** The Board voted to defer the request and have staff present at least two other locations, or no locations, at the April Traffic and Parking Board meeting.

The full Task Force report as presented to City Council on February 24 can be found here >> <http://dockets.alexandriava.gov/fy09/022409rm/di20.pdf>

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**DOCKET ITEM:** 6

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install “NO PARKING BETWEEN SIGNS” restrictions on the west side of the 600 block of North Pitt Street at the Townes at Portner’s Landing southernmost driveway

**APPLICANT:** Townes at Portner’s Landing Homeowners Association.

**LOCATION:** 600 Block of North Pitt Street

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that one parking space be removed on each side of the driveway.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Janet Powell, president of the Board of Directors of the Townes at Portner’s Landing Homeowners Association states vehicles are parking close to the entrance of the driveway and obstructing the visibility of motorists exiting onto North Pitt Street. The North Pitt Street driveway is not the only egress point for the Townes at Portner’s Landing. There are two other egress points to the development, one on Wythe Street and one on Pendleton Street. The problem is that 17 of the 34 residents can not access them because this would require driving the wrong way on their internal street network. Staff checked the Police Accident database and found that in the past five years there have been no reported accidents at this driveway. The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) recommended sight distance for a roadway with a design speed of 25 mph is 155 feet. The measured sight distance at this driveway is approximately 50 feet depending on the size of the parked vehicle obstructing visibility. To provide the AASHTO recommended sight distance would require removing about seven parking spaces on each side of the driveway. Parking is in high demand in this area so it is important to balance the needs of all roadway users. Therefore staff is recommending that only one parking space be removed from each side of the driveway.

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**DOCKET ITEM:** 7

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install District 8A, 3-Hour Residential District permit Parking on the south side of the 800 block of Janney's Lane between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**APPLICANT:** Anita Barondaes, 803 Janney's Lane

**LOCATION:** 800 Block of Janney's Lane

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend to the City Manager that the south side of the 800 Block of Janneys Lane be posted as District 8A, 3-hour residential district permit parking between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**DISCUSSION:** This request was submitted by Ms. Anita Barondes who lives at 803 Janney's Lane and states that parking has become a problem when the students from Bishop Ireton High School are taking up all the parking spaces. Residents and visitors often have to park in the next block which is the 900 block Janney's Lane or around the corner. Students also park close to the driveways making visibility limited while exiting.

The City Code requires that a survey be performed to determine if a block face meets the requirements for permit parking. Those requirements are that at least 75 percent of the on street parking spaces be occupied and that at least 25 percent of the vehicles parked on the block be from outside of the district. A survey was performed on Wednesday, 04/08/09 and found of the 16 on street parking spaces, 11 spaces were occupied and 8 vehicles were from outside of the district. This area meets the requirements for permit parking and the required petition was submitted.

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**DOCKET ITEM:** 8

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install “NO TOUR BUS PARKING” signs restrictions on both sides of the 200 and 300 blocks of Pendleton Street and 500 and 600 blocks of North Fairfax Street.

**APPLICATE:** Tobacco Quay Homeowners Association

**LOCATION:** 200 and 300 block of Pendleton Street/500 and 600 block of North Fairfax Street.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of this request.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. William Bartow, President of the Tobacco Quay Homeowners Association sent a letter requesting that NO TOUR BUS PARKING signs be posted the length of Pendleton Street, Oronoco Street, and North Fairfax Street to the 800 block. When staff reviewed this request, it was determined that this was too broad of a request and that the request far outstripped the Tobacco Quay homeowners' association boundary. After some discussions between staff and Mr. Bartow, the request was scaled down to the proposal being resented. The existing transit bus layover on Fairfax Street will be retained.