

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA  
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING  
MONDAY JULY 23, 2018 7:30 P.M.  
301 KING STREET, 2nd FLOOR  
ROOM 2000**

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman, William Schuyler, Vice Chair, James Lewis, Kevin Beekman, and Casey Kane

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ann Tucker, Randy Cole and Jason Osborne were absent.

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineering, Christine Mayeur, Complete Street Coordinator and Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineer II.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: Item # 10 was deferred.
2. Approval of the June 25, 2018 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2018 Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ms. Carroll spoke about a parking issue on 400 block of Jefferson Street.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to recommend to the Director of T&ES to approve both consent items. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to add residential permit parking restrictions to the north side of the 1200 block of Franklin Street.
5. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to remove 40 feet of parking on the north side of Monroe Avenue between the two crosswalks at Leslie Avenue.

## **REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING:**

6. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to appeal a two-day taxi driver suspension for refusal to carry a passenger.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Garbacz introduced the item to the Board and Hack Inspector Robinson explained the reason for the driver suspension. Mr. Kesete, the driver, explained the reason he refused to take Ms. Diaz is because he was dispatched for another customer. Mr. Kesete also stated that Ms. Diaz had previously blocked him from providing service to her. The Board believed this new information needed to be validated before a decision could be rendered.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** No one from the public spoke.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to defer the item, and asked staff to bring back the dispatching record, blocking record and information concerning the company's contract to service the disabled community. The motion carried with three votes in favor and Mr. Schuyler voting in opposition.

7. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to:
1. Remove the No Parking Here to Corner signs on the Southeast corner of La Grande Avenue and East Randolph Avenue; and,
  2. Remove the No Parking Here to Corner signs on the Southwest corner of Mount Ida Avenue and East Randolph Avenue.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board. He explained the parking situation in the requested area.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Ms. Lilley and Ms. Slack spoke in favor of the request. Ms. Golddatt, Ms. Calamur, Mr. Ellis, and Ms. Field spoke in opposition of the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to recommend to the Director of T&ES to: 1) Allow parking on the south side of East Randolph Avenue at La Grande Avenue but to coordinate with the Fire Department concerning parking near the fire hydrant; and, 2) Reject the request to increase parking at the southwest corner of Mount Ida Avenue and East Randolph Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.

8. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to remove parking in front of 226 West Taylor Run on both sides of the street to facilitate a new crosswalk to Angel Park.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Mayeur presented the item to the Board. She explained why the location is picked and why the City is implementing this policy. The Board expressed concern about safety since the location of the proposed crosswalk was near a curve.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Ms. O'Neill, Mr. Rami, and Mr. Reich spoke in opposition to the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to defer the item, and asked staff to work with the community on the location and find out why the Center City Study recommended placing the crosswalk at this location. The motion carried unanimously.

9. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to:

1. Remove 30 feet of parking in front of 703 North Overlook Drive; and,
2. Remove 80 feet of parking along portions of the Beverly Park curb faces on North Overlook Drive and South Overlook Drive.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Mayeur presented the item to the Board. She explained the need of the crosswalk and the new design for the intersection. The Board had concern about the stroller parking and bike parking being on the street.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Ms. Dinapoli, Ms. Dinapoli, Ms. Farrand, Mr. and Ms. Mistretta, Ms. Burstein, Ms. Burstein, and Mr. Bailey spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Mills and Mr. Richardson opposed the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, second by Mr. Beekman to recommend to the TE&S Director approval of staff's recommendation to remove 30 feet of parking in front of 703 North Overlook Drive; and remove 80 feet of parking along portions of the Beverly Park curb faces on North Overlook Drive and South Overlook Drive; and asked staff to reevaluate the crosswalk. The motion carried unanimously.

10. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to remove 40 feet of parking between the crosswalks on the west side of North Royal Street at First Street.

**DISCUSSION:** The item was deferred.

11. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install 3-hour parking restrictions on Francis Hammond Parkway, Key Drive, Marshall Lane and Roan Lane from 8AM-4PM Monday-Friday.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board. The Board had concern about the quality of life and the speed issue in these residential streets.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Mr. Edsall, Ms. Edsall, Mr. Melvin, Mr. Winn, Mr. Golden, Mr. Webb, Ms. Tracy, and Mr. Carioso spoke in favor of the request. Ms. Noren, Mr. Colby and Mr. Loesch opposed the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to recommend to the TE&S Director approval of staff's recommendation to install 3-hour parking restrictions on Francis Hammond Parkway, Key Drive, Marshall Lane and Roan Lane from 8AM-4PM Monday-Friday, September through June. The motion carried with three votes in favor and Mr. Lewis voting in opposition to the motion.

- 12. ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to change the speed limit on Route 1 between Monroe Avenue and Four Mile Run from 35 mph to 25 mph.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board. He explained the reason why this corridor has been picked from the list of KSI crash network.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** Mr. Silver and Mr. Capone spoke in opposition of the request.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to recommend to the City Manager to change the speed limit on Route 1 from Slaters Lane to Four Mile Run from 35 mph to 25 mph. The motion carried with three votes in favor and Mr. Lewis voting in opposition to the motion.

## **STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATES**

Mr. Kane updated the Board about the:

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan: and,
2. Transportation Master Plan