CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY MAY 21, 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, Randy Cole, Ann Tucker, Casey Kane and Jason Osborn.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Yon Lambert, Director of T&ES, Captain Shirl Mammarella, Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineer, David Soares, Civil Engineer IV, Katye North, Parking Planner, and Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineer I.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None.

2. Approval of the April 23, 2018 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cole to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Recognition of Jay Johnson: Mr. Schuyler read a proclamation from Mayor Silberberg thanking Mr. Johnson for his service to the community. Mr. Lambert presented Mr. Johnson with a street name sign with Mr. Johnson’s name.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: No one from the public spoke.

PUBLIC HEARING:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Beekman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborn to recommend to the Director of T&ES to approve both consent items. Ms. Tucker offered a friendly amendment on Issue 6 to change the end time of the proposed parking restrictions from 8PM to 7PM. Mr. Beekman and Mr. Osborn accepted Ms. Tucker’s amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add 15 feet of parking on the west side of South Henry Street immediately south of King Street.

6. ISSUE: Consideration a request to add 20-minute parking restrictions on the north side of the 4900 block of Brenman Park Drive from 7AM-7PM, Monday through Saturday.
REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING:

7. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add signed turn restrictions, effective Monday through Friday from 4:30PM-6:30PM, at the intersections of the Duke Street Access Road with East Taylor Run Parkway, Moncure Drive, and Hilton Street as a pilot program, to be evaluated in Fall 2018.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Soares presented the item to the Board. The Board had concern about diverting traffic on to other neighborhood streets. The Board also expressed concern about diverting traffic to the already congested intersection of King Street, Callahan Drive and Russell Road and staff agreed to include this intersection in the after evaluation. Captain Shirl Mammarella explained the challenges of enforcing a No Thru Street prohibition versus the proposed turn restrictions. The Board asked staff to do more public outreach prior to posting the proposed restrictions.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Ms. Dana Linnet, Ms. Eve Anderson, Mr. Craig Staffer, Mr. David Sterling, Ms. Vivian Daub, Ms. Neodene Zuideme, Ms. Michele Reday Cook, Mr. John Herrmawn, Mr. Ashkan Bayatpour, Mr. Enrique Solorzano, Mr. Richard D. Gruntz III, Mr. Oliver Boehm, and Ms. Lisa Porter spoke concerning this request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Cole made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to recommend to the Director of T&ES to approve right turn restrictions from East Taylor Run, Moncure Drive and Hilton Street onto the Duke Street service road, effective Monday through Friday, 4:30PM-6:30PM. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Osborn made a motion to reconsider, seconded by Ms. Tucker to an amended the timeframe to 4:00PM – 6:30PM. The motion carried unanimously.

8. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add residential pay by phone parking restrictions on the 400 block of Prince Street.

DISCUSSION: Ms. North presented the item to the Board. She stated that she notified the surrounding resident on the block about the proposal to add residential pay by phone option and found no opposition.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Ms. Sirine Fisher spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to recommend to the Director of T&ES to add residential pay by phone parking restrictions on the 400 block of Prince Street. The motion carried unanimously.

9. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to amend existing residential parking permit restrictions on the 400 block of North Saint Asaph Street.

DISCUSSION: Ms. North presented the item to the Board. She also notified the surrounding residents of the proposal and found no opposition.
PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Ms. Tina Lamoreaux and Mr. Walter Steimel spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Osborn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to recommend to the Director of T&ES to amend existing residential parking permit restrictions on the 400 block of North Saint Asaph Street to 2-hour, 8AM-2AM, Monday-Saturday, 11AM-2AM on Sunday. The motion carried unanimously.

10. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to amend existing residential parking permit restrictions on the 500 block of South Royal Street.

DISCUSSION: Ms. North presented the item to the Board. She indicated that she notified the surrounding residents of the proposal to change the hours and there was no opposition.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Ms. Karen Sanecki, and Mr. Arnold Miller spoke in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Cold made a motion, second by Mr. Beekman to recommend to the Director of T&ES to amend the existing residential parking permit restrictions on the 500 block of South Royal Street to 2-hour, 8AM-9PM, Monday-Saturday, and 11AM-11PM on Sunday. The motion carried unanimously.

11. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add 15-minute parking restrictions on the south side of the 400 block of Fannon Street from 7AM–6PM, Monday through Friday.

DISCUSSION: Ms. North presented the item to the Board and explained that the Daycare requested the 15-minute parking to serve as a child drop-off area. The Board had concerns about maneuvering out of these spaces because of the narrow width of the street.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Pajan Moesscif in favor of the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Osborn made a motion to defer recommendation 1 and 2, seconded by Mr. Kane. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Cole made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kane to approve the administrative process for updating the loading zone signage at daycares in the City with 15-minute parking restrictions. The motion carried unanimously.

12. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to add 2-hour parking restrictions on the south side of 4200 block of Ford Avenue from 9AM-5PM, Monday through Friday.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Garbacz presented the item to the Board and explained that residents have no place to park because commuters and stored vehicles are monopolizing
the parking. The Board had concern about speeding if there is no parking on the south side of 4200 block of Ford Avenue.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke.

BOARD ACTION: Ms. Tucker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to recommend to the Director of T&ES approval of the request to add 2-hour parking restrictions on the south side of 4200 block of Ford Avenue from 9AM-5PM, Monday through Friday. The motion carried with six votes in favor and Mr. Kane voting in opposition to the motion.

13. ISSUE: Consideration of a pilot program to allow for changes to the parking fees collected at City parking facilities.

DISCUSSION: Ms. North presented the item to the Board explaining that the City is trying to encourage more people to use City public parking facilities.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beekman to recommend to City Council approving the pilot program to allow changes to the parking fees collected at City parking facilities. The motion carried unanimously.