CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2020, 7:30 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman, William Schuyler, Vice Chair, James Lewis, Jason Osborne, Annie Ebbers, Ann Tucker and Casey Kane

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Traffic Engineering, Jack Browand, Division Chief, Rec/Park Planning Design and CIP, Ryan Knight, Civil Engineering IV, Katie North, Division Chief of Mobility Services, Cuong Nguyen, Civil Engineering II, Alex Block, Principal Planner, Megan Oleynik, Urban Planner II and Vicky Cadullo, Urban Planner II.

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals: None

2. Approval of the February 24, 2020 Traffic and Parking Board meeting minutes:

   BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborn to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2020 Traffic and Parking Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Remembrance of Kevin Beekman

4. COVID ORAL STAFF UPDATE
   a. On-street dining/parklets
   b. Curbside Pickup
   c. Lower King Street
   d. Enforcement Changes
   e. Parking Demand and Trends
   f. Taxicab Industry Updates

5. WRITTEN STAFF UPDATES
   a. Dockless Mobility Pilot Program
   b. Capital Bikeshare Expansion
   c. King, Callahan and Russell Intersection Project

   Action: Several Board members requested staff to add a docket item for the October meeting to address the question raised by several residents about increasing the green light time for the Russell Road approach to this intersection.

   d. Princess Street and Earl Street Pedestrian Improvement
6. **PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD**
[This period is restricted to items not listed on the docket]
Mr. Lawhorne, Ms. Siegel, and Ms. Duffet spoke about King Callahan and Russel Road traffic signal timing. Mr. Fujka spoke about the need for truck restrictions on East Linden Street. Mr. Flachs spoke about Taxicab insurance. Mr. Bynum, Mr. Meri, Mr. Woldegiorgis, Mr. Sebsibie, Mr. Woldemichael, Mr. Mohamed and Mr. Alula spoke about Taxicab code changes. Ms. Bonnard and Ms. Murphy spoke about the stop sign at Kenwood Avenue and Crestwood Drive.

7. **PUBLIC HEARING FOLLOW-UP**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tucker to approve Items 8, 9, 10, and 11 on consent calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

8. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to allow 2-hour parking from 7AM-8PM on the west side of the 200 Block of N. Breckenridge Place

9. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to extend the existing bike lane and parking lane on Commonwealth Avenue between Forrest Street and Ancell Street

10. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install all-way Stop signs at the intersection of Kenwood Avenue and Crestwood Drive

11. **ISSUE** Consideration of a request to remove a Taxi Stand on Four Mile Road at Mount Vernon Avenue

**PUBLIC HEARING**

12. **ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to change the parking meter rate structure along Hooffs Run Drive, Limerick Street, Eisenhower Park Drive, Bartholomew Street, Savoy Street, and the 700 and the 800 block of John Carlyle Street

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Block presented this item to the Board.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** No one from the public spoke about this item.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lewis to approve the request to change the parking meter rate structure along Hooffs Run Drive, Limerick Street, Eisenhower Park Drive, Bartholomew Street, Savoy Street, the 700 and the 800 block of John Carlyle Street. The motion carried unanimously.

13. **ISSUE:** Consideration of an approach to clarify Residential Permit Parking (RPP) District Boundary lines
DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented this item to the Board.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: No one from the public spoke about this item.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborne to approve staff’s proposed approach to clarify Residential Permit Parking (RPP) District Boundary lines. The motion carried unanimously.

14. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to remove parking on the unit block of Duke Street to install a Capital Bikeshare station.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Cadullo presented this item to the Board. The Board had water drainage concerns because the proposed station location is at a catch basin.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Browand from the City’s Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities spoke in support of this item.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ebbers to approve the request to remove parking on the unit block of Duke Street and install a Capital Bikeshare station. The motion carried with Mr. Osborne, Ms. Ebbers, Ms. Tucker and Mr. Kane voting in favor of the request and Mr. Schuyler and Mr. Lewis voting in opposition.

15. ISSUE: Consideration of a request to remove parking on the southeast side of Dawes Avenue between Netherton Drive and King Street

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oleynik presented the item to the Board. The Board had concerns that removing parking and doing nothing else would encourage speeding. The Board was further concerned that staff had no plan to reconfigure the pavement markings once parking was removed.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mr. Patterson and Mr. Dusseau spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Zalles spoke in opposition to the request.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Kane made a motion, seconded by Mr. Osborne to defer the request until the City could come back with concrete plans to reconfigure the street. The motion carried unanimously.

16. STAFF UPDATES:

a. Taxicab Changes
b. Commercial Parking Update
c. Commissioner updates