



**Ad Hoc Motorcoach Task Force
Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2008
City Hall, Room 1101**

Attendees

Task Force Members: Rob Aronson, Rich Baier (chair), Stephanie Brown, Bert Ely, Mayor Bill Euille, Nick Gregory, Charlotte Hall, Poul Hertel, Hubert Herre, Valerie Ianieri, Greg Ogden, Ellen Stanton, Councilman Paul Smedberg, Tara Zimnick-Calico. Staff: Jesse Harman (Alexandria Police Department), Yon Lambert (T&ES).

Guests: Van Van Fleet, Joanne Platt, Victor Parra.

1. Welcome & Introductions

Mr. Baier welcomed everyone to the Motorcoach Task Force meeting and reviewed the topics of the evening.

2. Review Minutes & Report Back from Constituent Groups

Mr. Baier reviewed the minutes of the November 10 meeting and asked for comments. An amendment was discussed and adopted. The minutes were adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Baier reported on presentations for the Chamber of Commerce and City Council.

3. Framework for Motorcoach Management

Mr. Baier spoke of the need to bring task to conclusion and introduced Yon Lambert with the request that questions be held until after the presentation.

Mr. Lambert reviewed the framework for motorcoach management presentation and took questions from the Task Force upon concluding.

Mr. Ely asked whether it would be possible to design a website by spring.

Mr. Hertel asked whether the motorcoach industry representatives would be willing to accompany the City to Richmond when the time came to amend the state code. Mr. Parra, a guest from the United Motorcoach Association, indicated that they would work with the City.



Mr. Parra indicated that they may have concerns about accessibility. Mr. Baier said he was familiar with ADA requirements and that a motorcoach company's responsibility is to provide accessible transportation for all.

The Task Force had some discussion about making the Unit Block of King Street one-way westbound and it was determined that this would be a primary recommendation.

4. Upcoming Meeting Topic Schedule & Legislative Issues

The Task Force established the following schedule:

December 19	DRAFT staff report to be provided by City Staff
January 6-9	Comments due from Task Force. Comments can be accepted until 5 pm on Friday, Jan. 9 to be included in time for Jan. 12 meeting DRAFT review.
January 12	Regular Task Force meeting
January 26	Community meeting (Lyles-Crouch, 7 pm)
February 2	Regular Task Force meeting & final review of report
February 10 24	City Council (date amended to February 24)

5. Public & Task Force Q&A (15 minutes)

There being no comments, the Task Force adjourned.