

## City of Alexandria, Virginia

## MEMORANDUM

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12-11-01

DATE: DECEMBER 5, 2001

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER 

SUBJECT: INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH PATRICK AND ORONOCO STREETS

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**ISSUE:** Public hearing and consideration of recommendation regarding the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of North Patrick Street and Oronoco Street.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That City Council: 1) receive this report and docket it for public hearing on December 15, and; 2) at the conclusion of the public hearing authorize staff to install a traffic signal located at the intersection of North Patrick Street and Oronoco Street.

On November 24, following a public hearing to obtain neighborhood input, the Traffic and Parking Board recommended that City Council approve the installation of a traffic signal at this location.

**DISCUSSION:** On June 15, 2001, staff received a letter and petition signed by 68 residents requesting the City to install a traffic signal at the intersection of North Patrick and Oronoco Streets (Attachment 1). The residents are concerned about the number of traffic accidents at this intersection which include six recorded right-angle accidents at this intersection over the past 12 months. A right angle accident is the most likely to cause damage and injuries. An example would be a vehicle traveling north on Patrick Street collides with a vehicle on Oronoco Street attempting to cross Patrick Street. The petition also indicated that a traffic signal at this location would be consistent with the other signalized intersections along Patrick and Henry Streets.

City staff met three times over six months with the Inner City Civic Association to discuss the request. Following those meetings, staff received a letter of support from Inner City for the traffic signal (Attachment 2). Staff conducted an engineering study at this intersection which showed that the intersection meets four of the eleven requirements contained in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for traffic signal installation. Meeting only one requirement warrants a signal installation under the Manual (Attachment 3).

This issue was considered by the Traffic and Parking Board on November 24. Numerous residents attended the meeting and spoke in favor of the traffic signal. One resident spoke in opposition to the request. The Board voted 5-2 to approve the request to install the signal (Attachment 4).

During the meetings with the Inner City Civic Association, staff discussed the pros and cons of installing the signal. The community was informed that installing a traffic signal may redistribute traffic onto Oronoco Street. The community was also provided the option of having traffic calming devices installed on Oronoco Street rather than a signal, and the community chose the signal because of sight distance restrictions and the proliferation of accidents at this intersection.

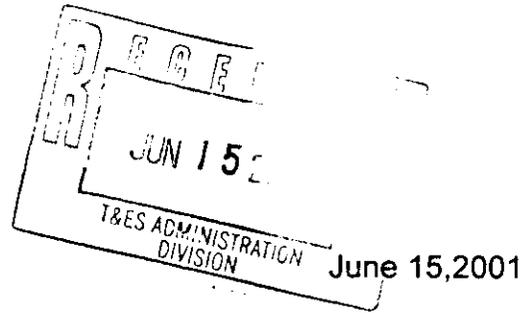
Installing a traffic signal at North Patrick and Oronoco Streets will not affect traffic progression along Patrick Street. However, if approved, the proposed signal will increase traffic delays on Oronoco Street as it is not possible to adequately coordinate the timing of the proposed signal with the existing signal at Henry Street and Oronoco Street. Consequently, motorists will be stopped by both signals.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The construction cost of the traffic signal is estimated to be \$60,000. Funding for the traffic signal is in the FY 2002 CIP budget. The annual operating cost for this signal is expected to be \$2,500.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Letter and petition from residents
2. Letter of support, Inner City Civic Association
3. Engineering study
4. Traffic and Parking Board Minutes, 11/24/01

**STAFF:** Richard Baier, P.E., Director, T&ES  
Douglas McCobb, P.E., Deputy, T&ES



Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

I am enclosing a petition generated by concerned neighbors requesting a traffic light at the intersection of North Patrick and Oronoco Streets. I believe the text speaks for itself. The petitioners and I request your assistance in seeking whatever approval is necessary for appropriations and installation.

I will be out of town, as of this mailing, until July 9, 2001. However, I am available through e-mail ( [landiscf@cs.com](mailto:landiscf@cs.com) ) for any questions.

Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Landis, on behalf of the petitioners

cc: Rich Baier

Traffic at the Intersection of North Patrick Street & Oronoco Street

We, the undersigned, request the City of Alexandria to install a traffic light at the corner of Oronoco St & N. Patrick St in order to reduce the many traffic accidents that presently occur. No other intersection along N. Patrick Street and N. Henry Street is lacking a traffic light. Our request would be consistent with all the other intersections along N. Patrick Street & N Henry Street as they presently have traffic lights. No resident wishes to observe further injury. Nor do we wish any further property damage to our homes with minimum setback, especially those on the adjacent corners.

1. George Myers, 1004 Oronoco, G. Myers
2. MICHAEL WATSON 432 NORTH PATRICK M. W.
3. Bernice Currie 432 N. Patrick St. B.C.
4. Terrance Turner, 510 N. Patrick St. T.T
5. Eileen Turner 510 N. Patrick St. E.T
6. Melvin L Douglas 510 W. Patrick St M.D
7. LEE ROY STEELE 516 N. PATRICK Lee Roy Steele
8. Shirley Ann Sanders. Steele 516 N. Patrick St Shirley
9. RENETTE CARDWIGHT 518 N. Patrick St Renette No.
10. WINSTON SPENCER 514 N. PATRICK ST. Winston
11. KATHY ABBRUZZETTI 517 N. PATRICK ST. ABBRUZZETTI
12. ANDREW C. MARROW 515 N. PATRICK ST. A.C. Marrow
13. MARGARET H MARTIN 515 N. PATRICK ST. Margaret

- 14 Laura Buchan, 513 N. Patrick St, ~~Laura Buchan~~
- 15 Sarah Faye Pierce, 507 N Patrick St, ~~Sarah Faye Pierce~~
- 16 MARCIA R. FELDMAN 929 ORONOCO ST. ~~Marcia R. Feldman~~
- 17 Joshua Martin, 921 Oronoco St. ~~Joshua Martin~~
- 18 RICHARD CLEMENT 917 ORONOCO ST. ~~Richard Clement~~
- 19 MURRAY CLINE 917 ORONOCO ST. Murray Cline
- 20 SAMUEL THERNSTROM 901 ORONOCO ST. ~~Samuel Thernstrom~~
- 21 JOHN CANN 904 ORONOCO ST. ~~John Cann~~
- 22 David McGrady, 426 N. Patrick St David McGrady
- 23 Laurie Murphy 420 N. Patrick St. Laurie Murphy
- 24 Florence Wair 424 N. Patrick St. Florence Wair
- 25 GLADYS WAIR 424 N. Patrick St, Alex. VA. ~~Glady's Wair~~
- 26 Jack Ellerbe Jr. 416 N Patrick ST, 22314 ~~Jack Ellerbe Jr.~~
- 27 Denise V. Ellerbe. 416 N Patrick ST. ALEX. VA. 22314. ~~Denise V. Ellerbe.~~
- 28 CARMEN OMECHEVARRIA 406 N. PATRICK ST, ALEX. VA. 22 ~~Carmen Omchevarria~~
- 29 ~~Mike Rankin~~, 402 N Patrick St. Mike Rankin
- 30 WILLIAM CHERRY 415 N. PATRICK ST. ~~William Cherry~~
- 31 Melandall 421 N Patrick St. Marie C Rando
- 32 E. Decheret 413 N. Patrick St. Elizabeth Dech
- 33 Gerald Manning 507 N. Patrick St. Gerard M
- 34 ~~Clayton~~ " " " " CLAYTON
- 35 ~~Paul J. Loese~~ 1001 Oronoco ST Paul J. Loese
- 36 Linda Crum 1003 Oronoco St. Linda Crum

- 37 GERARDO URUA 1011 ORONOCO ST. Gerardo Urúa
- 38 Jesse Jennings 1019 Oronoco St. Jesse Jennings
- 39 Kirk Waldrop 1022 Oronoco St. Kirk Waldrop
- 40 Wendy Waldrop, 1022 ORONOCO ST. Wendy Waldrop
- 41 EDWARD LOUGHRAN, 1018 ORONOCO ST E.W.L.
- 42 Karen Loughran, 1018 Oronoco St. ~~Karen Loughran~~
- 43 Charlotte Landis 928 Oronoco St CHARLOTTE LANDIS
- 44 ~~Robert C. Landis~~ 433 N. Patrick ROBERT C. LANDIS
- 45 Jennifer Erickson 903 Oronoco St Jennifer Erickson
- 46 Paulaw Schubert 907 Oronoco St Paulaw Schubert
- 47 M Patricia Schubert 907 Oronoco St M Patricia Schu
- 48 DINO TAYLOR 907 ORONOCO ST DINO TAYLOR
- 49 ALEXANDRA ZUMWART 913 ORONOCO ST Alexandra Zumwart
- 50 Eric Zumwart 913 Oronoco St Eric Zumwart
- 51 KATHY NICOSI 911 ORONOCO ST KATHY NICOSI
- 52 Rebecca Barnett 905 Oronoco St. Rebecca
- 53 Carolyn Somerville 919 ORONOCO ST Carolyn Somerville
- 54 GRACE SOMERVILLE 919 ORONOCO ST. GRACE SOMERVIL
- 55 Mike Somerville 919 ORONOCO ST. Mike Somerville
- 56 Tom Kerr 1013 ORONOCO ST. Tom Kerr
- 57 Nancy Kiline 1016 1/2 Oronoco St. Nancy Kiline
- 58 Park Karch 1016 Oronoco St. Park Karch
- 59 Albert A. Herndon 1010 Oronoco St. Albert A. Herndon

- 60 John W. Strayer III 509 N. Patrick St. Alexandria VA 22314
- 61 Mike Muell 519 N. Patrick St. Alexandria VA 22314
- 62 Paula Mueller 519 N. Patrick St. Alexandria VA 22314
- 63 Jeff Bonvechio 527 N. Patrick St. Alexandria VA 22314
- 64 Meredith Makers 527 N. Patrick St. Alexandria 22314 M
- 65 Ralph Brooker 427 N. Patrick St. Alexandria 22314 R/B
- 66 Carter, Devin 425 N. Patrick St. Alexandria 22314
- 67 Nestor, Greg 423 N. Patrick St. Alexandria 22314 G
- 68 Gray, Robert 419 N. Patrick St. Alexandria 22314 R



November 2, 2001

Mr. Richard Baier  
Director, Transportation and Environmental Services  
City of Alexandria  
301 King Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Mr. Baier:

We appreciate your response to our community's safety and quality of life concerns. The members of the Inner City Civic Association support the installation of a traffic light at the intersection of North Patrick Street (Route 1) and Oronoco Street.

Again, many thanks for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Camille F. Leverett".

Camille F. Leverett  
President, Inner City Civic Association

cc: City Council

**Traffic Signal Warrants Report**  
**City of Alexandria / T&ES, Transportation Div.**  
Monday, December 03, 2001

Study Location: **NORTH PATRICK STREET and ORONOCO STREET**

Major Street: **NORTH PATRICK STREET**

Direction of Travel: **North and South**

Number of Lanes: **3**

85th Percentile Speed Greater than 40 M.P.H.: **No**

Lies within a built up area of an isolated area of population less than 10,000: **No**

Minor Street: **ORONOCO STREET**

Direction of Travel: **East and West**

Number of Lanes: **1**

Controlled by Stop Sign: **Yes**

**Warrants:**

Warrant 1 - Minimum Vehicular Volume: **Warrant Met**

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Minimum	600	150
Study-Major	1,332	94
Study-Minor	1,150	154

Number of hours volume met or exceeded criteria: **8**

Warrant 2 - Interruption of Continuous Traffic: **Warrant Met**

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Minimum	900	75
Study-Major	1,332	94
Study-Minor	1,150	154

Number of hours volume met or exceeded criteria: **16**

Warrant 3 - Minimum Pedestrian Volume: **Warrant Not Met**

Predominant pedestrian speed less than 3.5 ft/sec: **No**

	4 Hour Volume	Peak Hour Volume	Min. Adequate Gaps Per Hour
Minimum Observed	100	190	60

Note: The observed 4 Hour Volumes is the minimum value observed, the Peak Hour Volume observed is the highest, and the Number of Gaps observed is the highest hour.

## Traffic Signal Warrants Report (cont.)

Monday, December 03, 2001

### Warrant 4 - School Crossing: **Warrant Not Met**

Is school crossing an established crossing? **No**

Time period when children are using the crossing. (Minutes): **0**

The number of adequate gaps for the children to cross during the same time period: **0**

### Warrant 5 - Progressive Movement: **Warrant Not Met**

Is there another traffic signal within 1,000 feet: **Yes**

On a one-way street or a street which has predominantly unidirectional traffic, the adjacent signals are so far apart that they do not provide the necessary degree of vehicle platooning and speed system: **No**

On a two-way street, adjacent signals do not provide the necessary degree of platooning and speed control and the proposed and adjacent signals could constitute a progressive signal system: **No**

### Warrant 6 - Accident Experience: **Warrant Not Met**

Tried less restrictive remedies and enforcement, all of which failed: **No**

The signal installation will not seriously disrupt progressive traffic flow: **No**

Number of accidents in a 12 month period (5 or more required): **6**

80% of volume required by the Minimum Vehicular Volume. (Warrant 1): **Yes**

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Minimum	480	120
Study-Major	1,332	94
Study-Minor	1,150	154

80% of volume required by the Interruption of Continuous Traffic. (Warrant 2): **Yes**

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Minimum	720	60
Study-Major	1,332	94
Study-Minor	1,150	154

80% of volume required by the Minimum Pedestrian Volume. (Warrant 3): **No**

	4 Hour Volume	Peak Hour Volume	Min. Adequate Gaps Per Hour
Minimum Observed			75

## Traffic Signal Warrants Report (cont.)

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### Warrant 7 - Systems Warrant: **Warrant Not Met**

On a typical weekday, during the existing peak hour, the total entering volume is at least 1,000 vehicles, and the projected volumes on a typical weekday for the next 5 years will meet at least one of the following Warrants: 1, 2, 8, 9, or 11: **No**

Existing Saturday and Sunday volumes are so great that the total entering volume for 5 hours of the each day is at least 1,000 vehicles. **No**

IF ONE OF THE ABOVE WAS ANSWERED YES, THEN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ALSO MUST BE ANSWERED YES.

Part of the street or highway system that serves as the principal network for through traffic flow: **Yes**

It includes rural or suburban highways outside, entering or traversing a city: **No**

It appears as a major route on an official plan such as a major street plan in an urban area traffic and transportation study: **Yes**

### Warrant 8 - Combinations of Warrants:

80% of volume required by the Minimum Vehicular Volume. (Warrant 1): **Yes**

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Minimum	480	120
Study-Major	1,332	94
Study-Minor	1,150	154

80% of volume required by the Interruption of Continuous Traffic. (Warrant 2): **Yes**

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Minimum	720	60
Study-Major	1,332	94
Study-Minor	1,150	154

### Warrant 9 - Four Hour Volumes: **Warrant Met**

The following four hour volumes were compared to the data interpreted from the graph as shown on Figure 4-7, on page 4C-11 of the MUTCD.

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Study-Major		1,770
Study-Minor	94	182

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### Traffic Signal Warrants Report (cont.)

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Warrant 10 - Peak Hour Delay: **Warrant Not Met**

The total delay experienced by the traffic on one minor street approach (one direction only) controlled by a STOP sign equals four vehicle-hours:

The volume on the same minor street approach (one direction only) equals or exceeds 100 vph:

The total entering volume serviced during the hour equals or exceeds 800 vph:

Warrant 11 - Peak Hour Volume: **Warrant Met**

The following four hour volumes were compared to the data interpreted from the graph as shown on Figure 4-5, on page 4C-9 of the MUTCD.

	Major Street (Veh. Per Hr)	Minor Street (Veh. Per Hr)
Study-Major	2,164	174
Study-Minor	1,150	288

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## Traffic Signal Warrant Summary Report

### City of Alexandria / T&ES, Transportation Div.

Monday, December 03, 2001

<u>Warrant</u>	<u>Status</u>
Warrant 1 - Minimum Vehicle Volume.	<b>Warrant Met</b>
Warrant 2 - Interruption of Continuous Traffic.	<b>Warrant Met</b>
Warrant 3 - Minimum Pedestrian Volume.	Not Satisfied
Warrant 4 - School Crossings.	Not Satisfied
Warrant 5 - Progressive Movement.	Not Satisfied
Warrant 6 - Accident Experience.	Not Satisfied
Warrant 7 - Systems.	Not Satisfied
Warrant 8 - Combination of Warrants.	
Warrant 9 - Four Hour Volumes.	<b>Warrant Met</b>
Warrant 10 - Peak Hour Delay.	Not Satisfied
Warrant 11 - Peak Hour Volume.	<b>Warrant Met</b>

**Traffic Signal Warrant Data Report**  
**City of Alexandria / T&ES, Transportation Div.**  
 Monday, December 03, 2001

Study Location: **NORTH PATRICK STREET and ORONOCO STREET**

Major Street: **NORTH PATRICK STREET**

Direction of Travel: **North and South**

Number of Lanes: **3**

85th Percentile Speed Greater than 40 M.P.H.: **No**

Lies within a built up area of an isolated area of population less than 10,000: **No**

A divided street with a median island that can be used for pedestrian refuge: **No**

Another traffic signal is within 300 feet: **Yes**

A rural or suburban highway that enters or traverses a city: **No**

A major route of an official plan, such as a major street plan in an urban area traffic and transportation plan: **Yes**

Is part of street or highway system that serves as the principal network for through traffic flow: **Yes**

Minor Street: **ORONOCO STREET**

Direction of Travel: **East and West**

Number of Lanes: **1**

Controlled by Stop Sign: **Yes**

**Traffic Counts:**

Count Date: **Thursday, August 02, 2001**

**NORTH PATRICK STREET(Major Street) - Total Entering Volumes**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Volume</u>
Mid	179	8	1,922	4	1,150
1	86	9	1,770	5	1,209
2	90	10	1,332	6	1,232
3	122	11	1,362	7	1,118
4	292	Noon	1,373	8	993
5	1,094	1	1,360	9	900
6	1,888	2	1,332	10	737
7	2,164	3	1,173	11	440

**15 Minute Peak Hour Volumes:**

**NORTH PATRICK STREET**

<u>Interval</u>	<u>Volume</u>
0	0
15	0
30	0
45	0

**ORONOCO STREET**

<u>Interval</u>	<u>Volume</u>
0	0
15	0
30	0
45	0

## Traffic Signal Warrant Data Report (cont.)

Monday, December 03, 2001

### Traffic Counts (cont.):

#### ORONOCO STREET(Minor Street) - Volumes for One Approach

Time	Volume	Time	Volume	Time	Volume
Mid	25	8	112	4	288
1	11	9	94	5	208
2	11	10	117	6	182
3	0	11	173	7	111
4	10	Noon	174	8	84
5	27	1	137	9	86
6	108	2	154	10	76
7	174	3	238	11	50

### Pedestrian Volumes:

Pedominant pedestrian crossing speed is less than 3.5 ft/sec: **No**

Coordinated traffic signal on each side of study location: **No**

Hour	Volume E/W	Number of Gaps
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0

### School Crossing:

Is the school crossing established: **No**

The study time in minutes: **0**

Number of adequate gaps during the study time period: **0**

### Accident Experience:

Beginning date of 12 month period: **Jul 1 2000**

Total number of correctible accidents during 12 month period: **6**

**Type of Accidents:** Right Angle: 6 Read End: 0 Approach Turn: 0  
Head On: 0 Other: 0

Adequate trial of less restrictive remedies with satisfactorious observance and enforcement has failed to reduce the accident frequency: **No**

The traffic signal will not seriously disrupt progressive movement: **No**

## Traffic Signal Warrant Data Report (cont.)

Monday, December 03, 2001

### Peak Hour Delay:

Is the study location a "Tee" intersection: **No**

Number of Vehicle-Hours observed: **0**

Total entering volume for study peak hour: **0**

Approach volume on minor street where Vehicle-Hours was observed: **0**

### Peak Hour Volumes:

NORTH PATRICK STREET ORONOCO STREET  
(Both Approaches) (Separate Approaches)

<u>Interval</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Interval</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Interval</u>	<u>Volume</u>
0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	15	0	15	0
30	0	30	0	30	0
45	0	45	0	45	0

Date Data Stored in Database: Wednesday, August 08, 2001

*City of Alexandria Virginia*

**TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD MEETING**

**Monday, November 26, 7:30 p.m.**

**301 King Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**M-I-N-U-T-E-S**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Converse West, John Laychus, Jay Johnson, Larry Ruggiero, Tom Walczykowski, Roland Gonzales and Kathleen Burns.

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rich Baier, Director Transportation and Environmental Services, Doug McCobb, Deputy Director, Transportation, Bob Garbacz, Division Chief of Transportation, Bill Long, Transportation Coordinator, Leroy Baker, Traffic Survey Technician, Steve Rosenberg, Senior Assistant City Attorney.

Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals. Mr. Garbacz announced that item number two, a request for residential permit parking on Ramsey Street was being deferred.

I. Request approval of the minutes from the meeting. The Board unanimously approved deferral of the minutes.

III. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for the removal of no parking signs on South Ingram Street at Underwood Place.

**BACKGROUND:** In response to a request by the West Tarleton Civic Association (WTA), to improve traffic and pedestrian safety, the Board approved the installation of the signs on July 23, 2001. Following the installation of the signs, staff received a complaint from a resident to state that several residents felt that the signs were not necessary and requested that the signs be removed.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board vote to leave the signs in place. The sight distance across each corner would not be adequate in accordance to AASHTO standards without removal of one parking space on each corner of south Ingram Street.

**BOARD ACTION:** The following people spoke in favor of the request: Betsy Pugh, Joyce Pugh and Stewart Stacks. The following people spoke against the request: Bernard Arndt,

Chris Von Schoening and Elizabeth Wright. Mr. Ruggiero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson to move the existing signs so that they were twenty feet back from the corner. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for residential permit parking on the 1300 and 1400 blocks of Ramsey Street.

**BACKGROUND:** In an effort to reduce parking by commuters, the owners of properties bordering Ramsey Avenue between the north side of Glendale Avenue to Luray Avenue and to Alexandria Avenue request three (3) hour residential permit parking, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is currently three (3) hour residential permit parking in effect on Ramsey Street up to the south side of the intersection this area is residential permit parking district 6 and the residents have submitted the petition for the requested three hour permit parking.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommended that the request be deferred.

**BOARD ACTION:** Deferred

3. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request to remove one parking space on King Street at the F&M Bank in the 1700 block.

**BACKGROUND:** This is a request by a citizen in response to a traffic accident at this location due to poor visibility for vehicles exiting the bank parking lot.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends removing 20 feet of parking (one space) on King Street in front of F&M Bank, at the drive through exit onto King Street.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Herb Cooper-Levy spoke in favor of the request. Mr Laychus made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gonzales to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request to change the current “No Parking Except Buses” signs in front of Douglas MacArthur Elementary School on the north side of Janney’s Lane to no parking 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on school days except school buses.

**BACKGROUND:** This request was made by the Douglas MacArthur Elementary School PTA to increase traffic safety around the school. Currently the signs read “No Parking” except 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. School Days Except School Buses.

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

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Tom Raycroft spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Gonzales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request to restrict parking at the Willow Run Apartments on both sides of the driveway on the 5400 block of Richenbacher Avenue and both sides of the driveway on the 5300 block of Taney Avenue.

**BACKGROUND:** Vehicles are parked very close to these driveways making it very difficult to see vehicles approaching as you attempt to exist driveway . Removal of one parking space on each side of the driveways allows adequate sight distance in accordance to AASHTO standards.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that this request be approved.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Patrick Warren spoke in favor of this request. Ms. Burns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson to defer this request until the Janurary meeting. The Board voted 6-1 to approve the motion with Mr. Ruggiero voting no.

6. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for “No Parking Here to Corner” sign on Jamieson Avenue at Englehardt Lane.

**BACKGROUND:** It is very difficult to see around vehicles that are parked on Jamieson Avenue at Englehardt Lane. This will allow for the proper sight distance in accordance to AASHTO standards.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the approval of one “No Parking Here to Corner” sign on Jamieson Avenue 20 feet east of Englehardt Lane.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Bill Harvey and Pat Rudd spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laychus to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

7. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for two hour parking in front of Marie’s Hair Salon, 700 North Patrick Street, Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**BACKGROUND:** Vehicles are often parked here all day long, not providing any turnover for customers. Staff contacted the owner of Marie’s Hair Salon and recommended the two parking spaces be placed on the 1000 block of Wythe Street on the north side and the owner agreed to this recommendation.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Board approve two hour

parking on the north side of Wythe Street adjacent to Marie's Hair Salon on N. Patrick Street.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Gonzales made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burns to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the staff recommendation.

8. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for a "No Parking" sign at the parking space between the driveways at 3121 Colvin Street and 3127 Colvin Street.

**BACKGROUND:** There is one parking space between these two driveways and large trucks making deliveries cannot back into the driveways to load or unload.

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

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Ty Akbasli spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Laychus made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the request. The Board voted unanimously to approve the request.

9. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for installing "No U Turn" signs going east and west on West Braddock Road at the junction to both lower and upper parking lots at Minnie Howard School 3801 West Braddock Road. This is a request from the Principal at Minnie Howard School.

**BACKGROUND:** Many vehicles are making u-turns at these two sites.

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

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laychus to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

10. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for a traffic signal at the intersection of North Patrick Street and Oronoco Street.

**BACKGROUND:** The warrants for the installation of a traffic signal are satisfied in accordance to the Manual on Uniform Code Traffic Control Devices. The Inner City Civic Association requested a traffic signal at this intersection.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the request be approved.

**BOARD ACTION:** Lee Roy Steele, Camille Leverett, David McCreedy, Jesse Jennings, Paul Loeser and Marcia Feldman spoke in favor of the request. Kevin DeBell spoke opposed to the request. Mr. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laychus to approve the request. The Board voted 5-2 to approve the request with Mr. Ruggiero and Ms. Burns voting no.

11. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request to close South Rayal Street and South Street to through traffic from Jones Point Drive to South Street. South Street will remain open as a private access road for the Hunting Towers Complex.

**BACKGROUND:** This is necessary due to the construction of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge. Access to all of the Hunting Towers parking lots will be maintained.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the request be approved.

**BOARD ACTION:** Gene McCormick, Renaldo "Nick" Nicholson and Tensa Miller spoke in favor of the request. Christopher Bahret, Jay Siegfried, Dan Haas, James McAndrews, Thomas Fadoul, Jr., Terri Belleher, Jessica LeFerve, David Patalita and Roger Furey spoke opposed to the request. Mr. Ruggiero made a motion, seconded by Laychus to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted 6-1 to approve the motion with Ms. Burns voting no.

12. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request to designate Jamieson Avenue instead of Ballenger Avenue as the permit parking zone in the vicinity of the Federal Courthouse that was established for jurors and witnesses.

**BACKGROUND:** Several months ago the Board approved Ballenger Avenue as the permit parking zone for jurors and witnesses. In November Ballenger Avenue will be closed for the construction of the Patent and Trademark Office Building. Jamieson Avenue will be used for parking during the construction of the PTO.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the request be approved.

**BOARD ACTION:** Betesy Paret spoke in favor of the request. Alan Rudd, Bill Harvey, Allen Kamerow, Motron Cohen, Joan McAllister, Coy Harris, Sam Biggs, Martin Baskin, Joni Stutman, Sara Harris and Sal Gambone spoke in opposition of the request. Ms. Burns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnson to defer this request. The Board voted unanimously to defer the request.

13. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request to remove five parking spaces on the north side of Braddock Road at Commonwealth Avenue and to remove six parking spaces on the south side of Braddock Road at Commonwealth Avenue.

**BACKGROUND:** This will create two westbound lanes on Braddock Road as you approach the traffic signal on Commonwealth Avenue. The right lane will be right turn only and the left lane will be through and left. Two approach lanes will improve the capacity and safety at this intersection.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the request be approved.

**BOARD ACTION:** Mr. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laychus to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

14. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Request for two Handicapped Parking Spaces at 411 North Washington Street.

**BACKGROUND:** There is a medical practice relocating to this site and these spaces are intended for the use patients with disabilities.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that one Handicapped Parking Space be approved at this site. This handicapped parking would not be permitted during the restricted a.m. peak hours.

**BOARD ACTION:** Jacob Clark, M.D. spoke in favor of the request. Ms. Burns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gonzales to approve the staff recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**NOTE:** The City of Alexandria complies with the terms of the ADA. An individual with a disability who wishes to request an accommodation may contact the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services at 838-4411 or TTY/TTD 838-5056. Please provide at least 7 calendar days advance notice. Amplified sound devices are available from the sound technician in the City Council Chamber.