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Department of Transportation and Environmental Services

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Physical survey of existing conditions. Identify signs (eg time or no parking restrictions, taxi stands, bus stops) and conditions (eg. intersections, curb cuts, fire hydrants)

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Interview businesses as to the desirability and appropriateness of the existing condition.

Solicit business/patron/community feedback.

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Volunteer aide:

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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 2, 2003

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER *PS*

FROM: RICHARD J. BAIER, P.E., DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES *R. Baier*

SUBJECT: DEL RAY/MOUNT VERNON AVENUE PARKING STUDY

During the February 25, 2003, City Council meeting, Councilman Speck discussed parking conditions along the Mount Vernon Avenue corridor in Del Ray and asked that Transportation and Environmental Services staff work with area civic and business associations to conduct a parking study in this corridor to assess current conditions and identify impediments to maximizing parking throughout the area. This memorandum is to update Council on the parking study that has since been initiated.

Working cooperatively with community representatives, a scope and data collection plan has been developed for the study. A copy of the scope is attached for your information. An initial parking space inventory has been completed and field data collection will begin shortly on current parking demands and usage. This collection effort will be coordinated with the Planning Zoning Department and its results used by the department in its recently initiated study of Mt. Vernon Avenue.

It is anticipated that field data collection will be completed by the end of July and findings summarized in the fall. The overall parking study is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

We will keep you advised of this work during the coming months. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact either Tom Culpepper or me.

Attachment

cc: Tom Culpepper, Deputy Director, Transportation & Environmental Services
Michele Evans, Assistant City Manager
Eileen Fogarty, Director, Planning and Zoning

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