

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 8, 2004

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER *PS*

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF CLOSING EAST MASONIC VIEW AVENUE AT BRADDOCK ROAD TO MOTOR VEHICLES

ISSUE: City Council consideration of closing a 40-foot section of East Masonic View Avenue between Braddock Road and Little Street.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council approve the closing of East Masonic View Avenue at Braddock Road.

BACKGROUND: Staff has worked with residents of the Braddock Road area between Mount Vernon and Commonwealth Avenues since November 2002 to develop a traffic calming plan for Braddock Road. This plan includes the construction of sidewalks on sections presently lacking them, and bulb-outs, lane narrowing, removal of parking, side street closure and the formation of a chicane using an alternating parking pattern.

Due to the addition of 5' wide segments of sidewalk on the north side of the street, parking on adjacent segments on the south side of the street will need to be removed. This is due to the right-of-way restrictions on Braddock Road. The donation of private property on the north side of the street where sidewalks are needed was considered, however, deemed not feasible due to the costs of moving utility poles and constructing retaining walls for some of the properties with steep front yards.

This plan, contingent upon City Council's approval of the closure of East Masonic View Avenue, was approved at the April 26 Traffic & Parking Board meeting. Additionally, the Del Ray and Rosemont Citizens Associations have approved of this plan.

DISCUSSION: The primary purposes for closing East Masonic View Avenue at Braddock Road are to reduce the amount of intersection area that must be crossed by pedestrians and to provide additional parking on a street where parking will be removed. The removal of parking is necessary in order to construct a sidewalk, as the lanes must be shifted southward by 5' to accommodate it. The sidewalk will provide safe walking facilities for residents of 21 homes and users of the nearby Braddock Road Metrorail station while the parking removal will affect two property owners. Presently, many walk between parked cars on the street to reach the Metrorail station.

The two property owners on the south side of Braddock Road, which will be affected by the parking removal, expressed their concern to staff. One property owner, the Church of Christ, has a parking lot with ten spaces and on-street parking on two of its three sides. Its members use the on-street parking on Braddock Road on Sunday mornings. The other property owner, a private residence, has a driveway and an additional curb cut.

The closing of East Masonic View Avenue at Braddock Road would replace 10 of the 17 parking spaces that would be removed on the south side of Braddock Road between Wayne and Ramsey Streets under the traffic calming plan. Residents on East Masonic View Avenue and Little Street would still be able to access their homes via Little Street. (See attachments.)

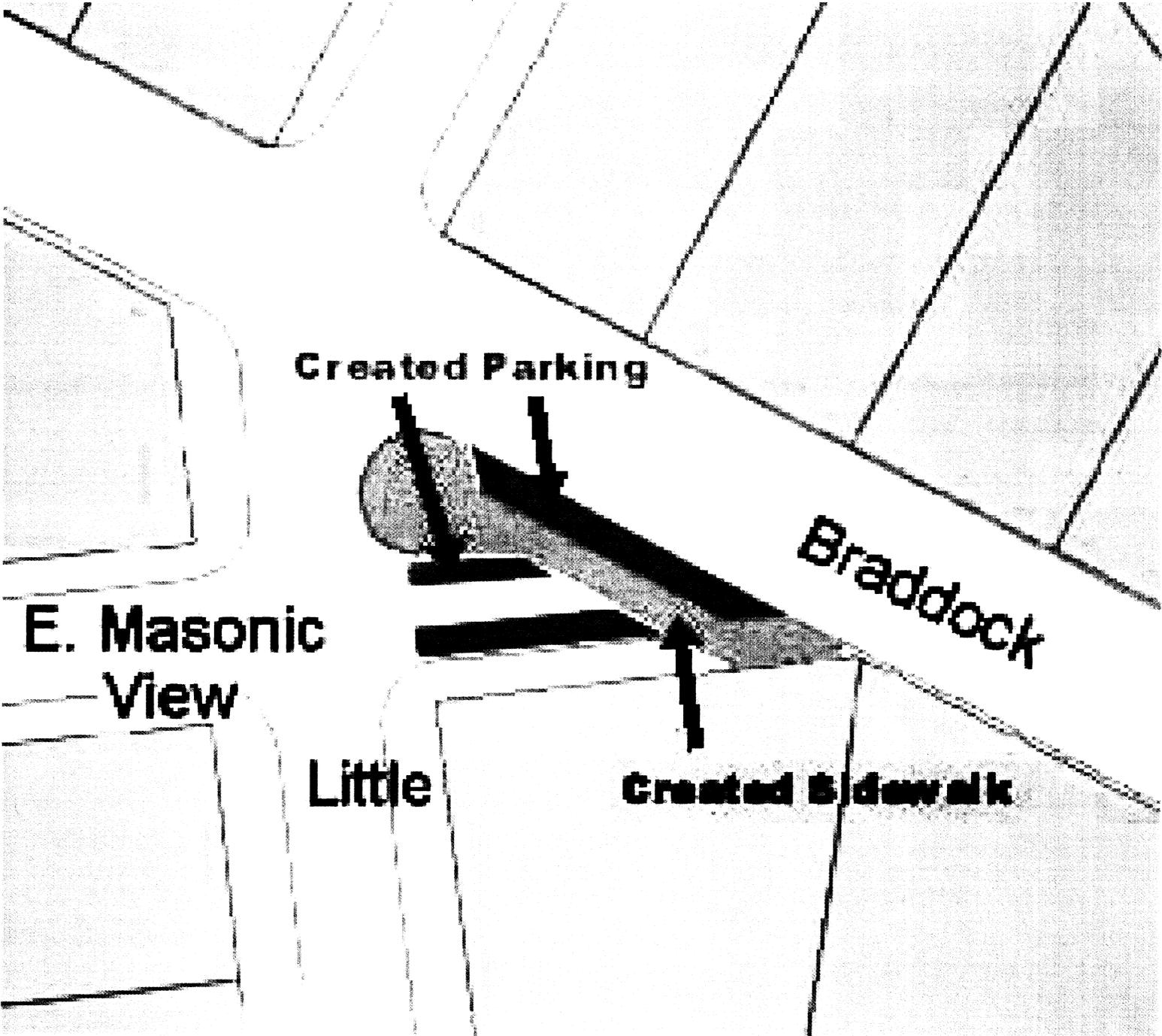
Benefits of the street closure include improving pedestrian safety with the addition of a sidewalk and the removal of a confusing “V”-shaped intersection. Presently, motorists tend to run the stop sign at the East Masonic View Avenue/Braddock Road intersection and residents also have shared stories with staff of teenagers driving circles around the island. A few neighbors on Myrtle and Spring Streets have expressed concern that by closing East Masonic View Avenue, cut-through traffic would increase on their streets. These residents believe that westbound Braddock Road traffic would use Myrtle or Spring Streets to bypass the traffic signal at Commonwealth Avenue. Staff and the neighborhood traffic calming committee believe that Myrtle and Spring Streets will not see a significant increase in cut-through traffic due to the closure of East Masonic View Avenue since Little Street will remain open. In addition, no modifications will be made to the Braddock Road/Commonwealth Avenue intersection, other than the addition of a sidewalk.

FISCAL IMPACT: The cost of the entire traffic calming project is \$57,000. This project will be funded with monies budgeted in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) traffic calming project account.

ATTACHMENTS: Photo and aerial illustrations of East Masonic View Avenue closure with sidewalk and parking additions.

STAFF:

Richard J. Baier, P.E., Director, T&ES
Thomas H. Culpepper, Ph.D., Deputy Director, T&ES
Robert Garbacz, Division Chief, Transportation, T&ES
Paul DeMaio, Traffic Calming Coordinator, Transportation, T&ES



Created Parking

Braddock

**E. Masonic
View**

Little

Created Sidewalk

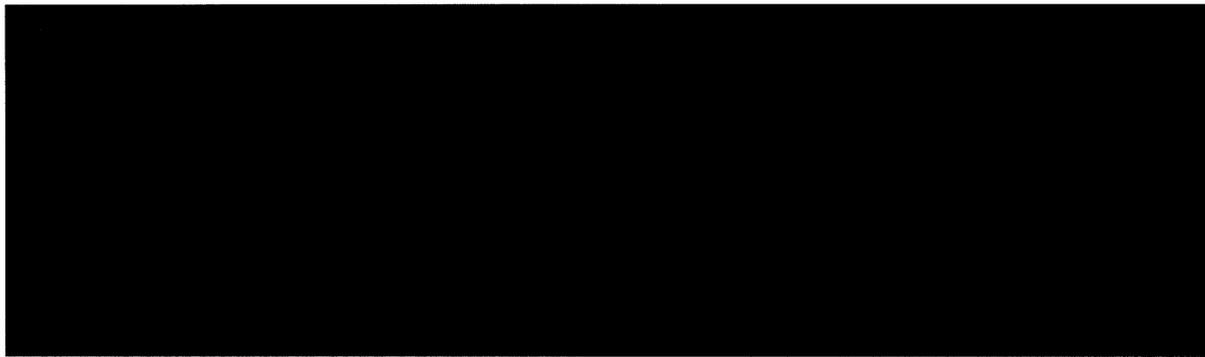




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Email Address: chuckmoran@verizon.net

Comments: To the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Council Members of Alexandria, VA:

I am a frequent visitor to a friend who lives on Braddock Road. A group of us get together often at his house to play music and socialize. Over the past number of years I have observed the busy and speedy traffic near his house, which is on Braddock, between Commonwealth Ave. and Mt. Vernon Ave. There are no sidewalks near his house.

I hope you will vote YES on the Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal, on June 22, which I understand includes sidewalks along the north side of Braddock Road.

Thank you for your consideration.

Charles C. Moran
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Response requested:

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Last Name: Marshall
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-684-8221

Email Address: ckmarsha@hotmail.com

Comments: I urge you to support the East Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal at the next Council meeting. My wife and I frequently walk Braddock Road between Commonwealth and the metro station, and we see others doing the same, often on the side without a full sidewalk. The proposal as I understand it would be a great improvement for pedestrians in this area, and without impairing traffic flow.



<grahamnora@comcast.net> To: <jackie.henderson@alexandriava.gov>
06/21/2004 09:25 AM cc:
Subject: Braddock Street Closing/Redirection

Ms. Henderson,

Please distribute the following comments to the City Council Members for the June 22nd meeting.

Thank you-

To the Members of the City Council:

I am very concerned that the current plan for Braddock Street calming will redirect traffic to the diagonal side streets specifically, Spring Street, between Braddock and Commonwealth. I have attended 3 Braddock traffic-calming meetings and at each meeting three different persons, including myself, have raised this same issue. The traffic-calming commissioner or representative answered each of us in the same way, "We do not anticipate any redirection to the diagonal streets." Admittedly, the commission has not based their opinion on any concrete data, nor have they gathered, as part of this plan, any present baseline data from which to measure the future impact to these streets. Their opinion is unrealistic and illogical. Each of these diagonal off-shoot streets already deals with cut-through traffic, especially during rush hours. Rather, my neighbors and I (see list below), project that drivers that are slowed on Braddock and closed off from the shortest East Masonic entry, will

redirect their courses to the diagonal streets, especially Spring, which offers both cut-through access and traffic light avoidance. (I did submit a traffic-calming plan for our street in May 2004, and data was collected, though the results have not yet been reported.)

I respectfully request, along with my neighbors, that the following actions be included as part of the Braddock traffic calming:

1. Traffic data for Spring Street is collected 6 months after the Braddock Street Calming is complete.
2. Traffic volume or "85 percentile speed" increases of more than 10% as compared to the May 2004 result in speed bump installation on Spring Street.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Nora Graham

Names, Addresses, and Phone Numbers of Concerned Residents:

| Name | Phone | Address |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Nora & Scott Graham | 703 299 9620 | 8 East Spring St. |
| Jon & Mary Lutz | | 2 East Spring St. |

703 683 6460

Bob & Kay Tetu
703 548 3727

10 East Spring St.

John & Paul Wulff
703 684 5959

12 East Spring St.

Marc & Rena Comisac
703 549 3487

15 East Spring St.

Glenn & Sheila Bailey
703 836 2163

7 East Spring St.

EXHIBIT NO. 511

6-22-04

304 East Spring Street
Alexandria, Virginia
June 18, 2004

Mayor Bill Euille
Members of the City Council
City Hall
Alexandria, Virginia

Dear Mayor Euille and
City Council members:

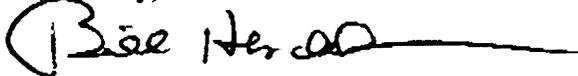
I am writing to support the closing of a 40-foot section of East Masonic View Avenue as part of a sorely need traffic-calming project on Braddock Road. This matter is on the docket of your June 22 meeting.

Braddock between Commonwealth and Mount Vernon Avenues is heavily used by people walking to the METRO station, as well as by schoolchildren attending George Washington Middle School. It is incredible that no sidewalk currently exists on the north side of Braddock.

The section of Braddock covered in this traffic-calming plan is currently a mini-freeway. Police have long documented many vehicles traveling at excessive speeds. The narrowing of the travel lanes and other features of this plan should help to lower those speeds. In addition, because of the proposed new crosswalk with bulb-outs at Little Street, pedestrians will have a much easier time crossing Braddock.

The loss of seven parking places seems to me to be, at worst, a minor inconvenience given the substantial public benefits of this plan. To truly protect the safety of pedestrians and increase the number of people who walk rather than drive, the Council must approve traffic-calming plans such as the one for Braddock Road.

Sincerely,



Bill Hendrickson



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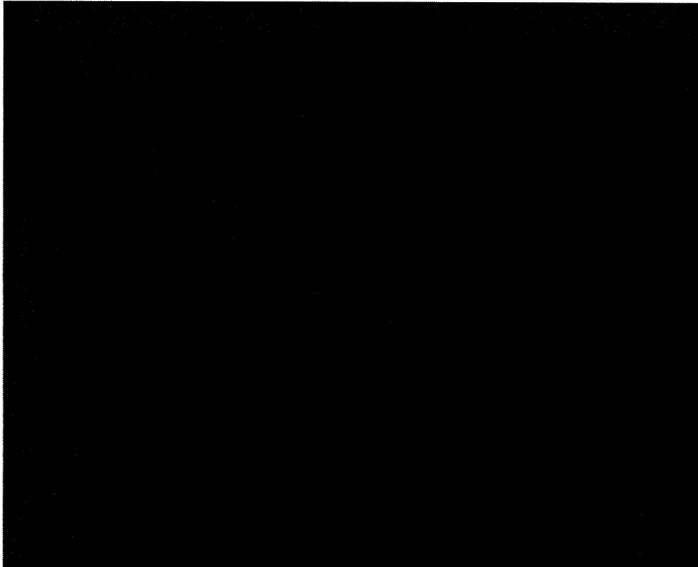
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Subject



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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-519-0012
Email Address: rmoulthrop@emersonsg.com

I fully support the East Braddock Road Traffic
Calming Proposal as modified at the public
meeting on
15 June 2004 at GW Middle School. Rich Baier,

Paul DeMaio, and Tom Culpepper did an outstanding job of achieving consensus from residents on nearby streets by incorporating some aesthetic adjustments to the existing proposal.

Comments:

This Traffic Calming effort represents a major improvement in pedestrian safety in an area with a high volume of pedestrians and achieves traffic calming in accordance with Council vision. I believe it will enhance the quality of life in the entire neighborhood.

I ask you to approve the proposal at the 22 June Council meeting for immediate implementation.



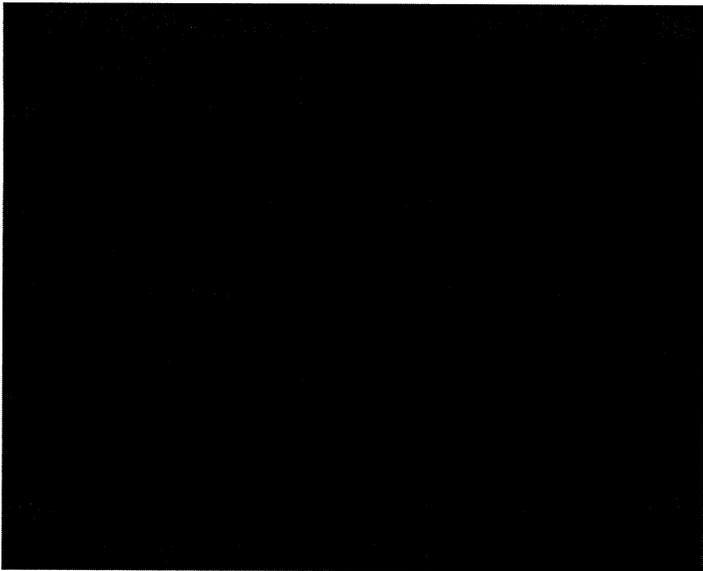
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-549-2949
Email Address: uve@ctam.com

Dear Alexandria City Mayor, Vice Mayor and
Council Members:

Ever since I moved to Little Street, I have wished

for a sidewalk on Braddock Road just before my street. I fully support the East Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal as modified at the public meeting on June 15, 2004 at GW Middle School. Rich Baier, Paul DeMaio, and Tom Culpepper did an outstanding job of achieving consensus from residents on nearby streets by incorporating aesthetic adjustments to the existing proposal.

Comments:

This Traffic Calming effort represents a major improvement in pedestrian safety in an area with a high volume of pedestrians and achieves traffic calming in accordance with Council vision. This is especially important to the numerous families with small children, (including my own) in the area.

I ask you to approve the proposal at the June 22 Council meeting for immediate implementation.

Sincerely,

Uve Hodgins



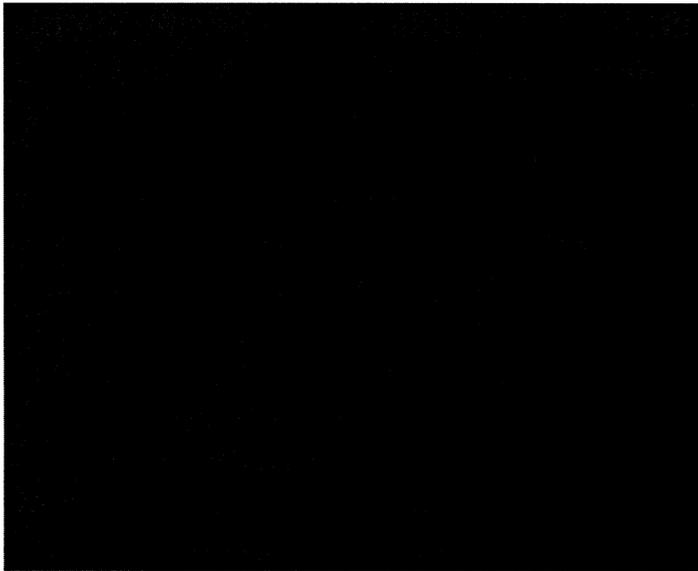
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-519-0817
Email Address: myeager@emersonsg.com

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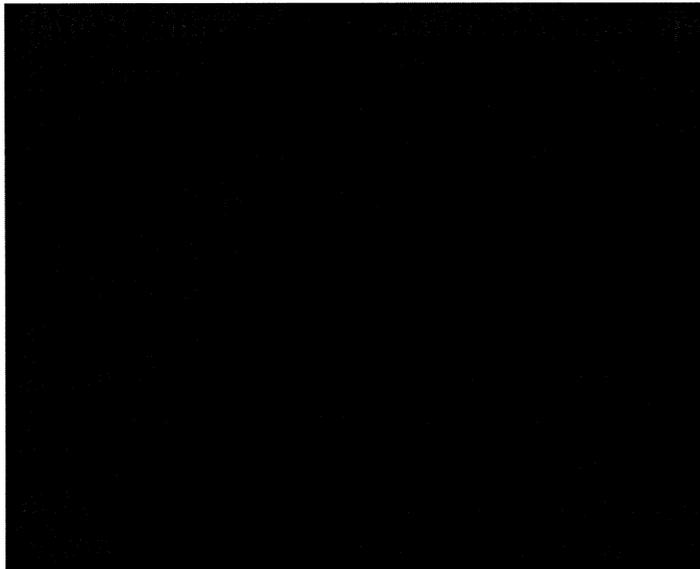
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Response requested:

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State: va

Zip: 22301

Phone: 202-494-2416

Email Address: hamilton@khlaw.com

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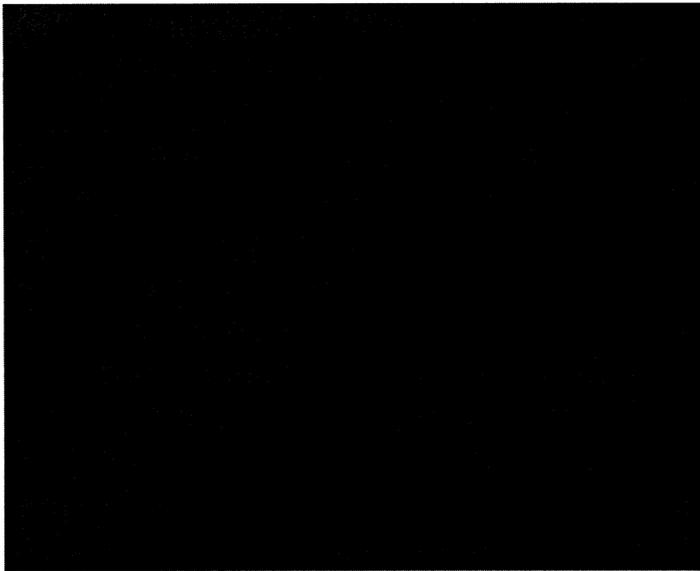
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Response requested:

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Last Name: Bohon
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-836-0690
Email Address: ajflanagan@msn.com

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of the City
Council:

I'm writing in support of the upcoming discussion

Comments:

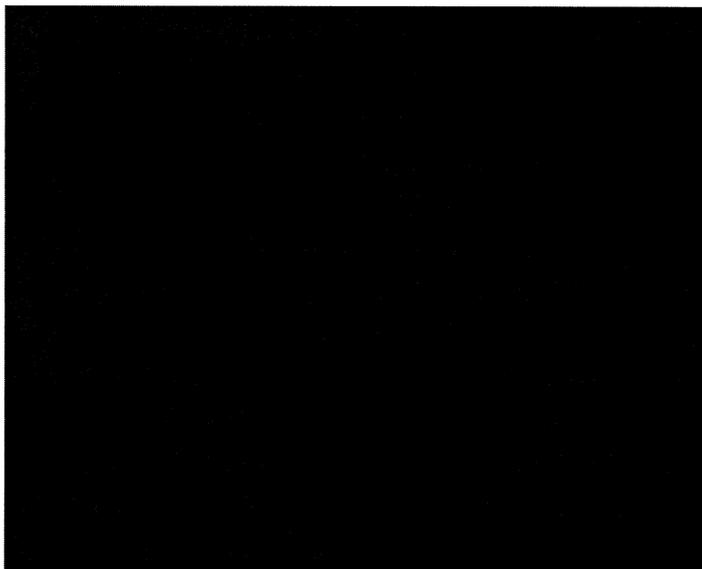
to be presented to you by the transportation committee concerning closure of Masonic View Avenue as part of the traffic calming plan for Braddock Road. My family and my neighbors very much support the closure of Masonic View and feel that this is an absolute necessity given the plans to slow traffic on Braddock Road (which we also enthusiastically support). Without the closure of this street, we would anticipate a disastrous situation wherein we would experience far more cut-through traffic than we already have, which is significant. We look forward very much to your passing the proposed plan which will ensure much more safety for pedestrians (and children!) and will ensure that the residents of Masonic View are not adversely affected by these welcome changes to Braddock Road.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please note also that at the meeting held for Masonic/Little/Oak street residents this past Tuesday, June 15, we residents expressed our support for this closure as well, and the meeting ended with a large degree of consensus.

Best regards,

Anne Bohon
30 E. Masonic View Avenue

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Last Name: Knisley
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State: VA
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To City Council
Re: Ivor Lane Subdisvision.
Docket #15
Tuesday Night, May 4

Comments:

We would like to offer our support for the Ivor Lane Subdivision which we hope will be built behind our homes in Braddock Cove. We have seen the plans and we are most pleased with them.

Your support of this subdivision would be appreciated.

Yours truly,
Larry and Elizabeth Knisley



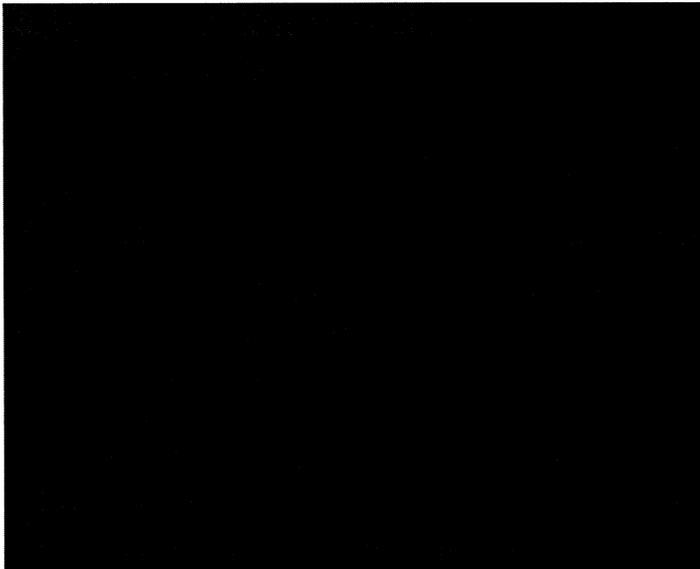
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State: VA
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Phone: 703-548-3095
Email Address: mdoherty@erols.com

Re: Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal

Since the Braddock Road Metro Station opened over 20 years ago we have looked

for safe walking routes for ourselves and visitors.
Over the past few years
negotiating Braddock Road with no north-side
sidewalks has become much more
perilous, especially on dark winter mornings and
evenings.

Comments:

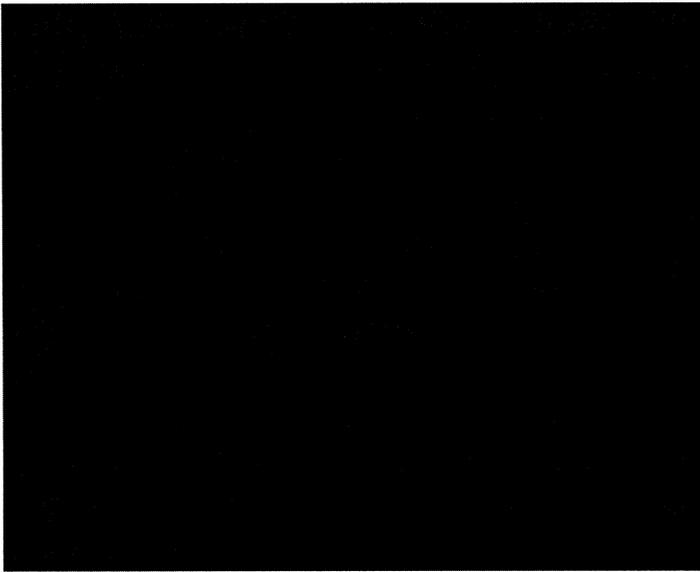
We are therefore very grateful to the group of
neighbors and city staff who have
worked intensively to develop a plan for traffic
calming that has pedestrian safety at
its heart. With the final improvements developed
at the meeting of June 15, we think
this is a proposal that benefits not only the
immediate neighborhood, but those of us
from a much broader area who want or need to
use Metro.

We urge adoption of the plan at your June 22
meeting and quick action to begin the
necessary construction.

Sincerely,
Marilyn & Sean Doherty.

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As a Rosemont citizen, I appreciate your attending the RCA meeting last night.

I don't know how much of the Braddock Road traffic calming discussion you heard, but as a resident of Oak Street, I am still quite disturbed by the process of the calming project and the outcome. Like many others in the area, I was totally unaware of the project until the Friday before the Monday, April 26 hearing, which I happened to find out about when I saw a sign on Little Street. It was the first I had heard of it. I was unable to attend the Monday meeting, although I did send an e-mail indicating I was concerned about the effect of closing East Masonic on surrounding streets.

I have no problem with a traffic calming project for Braddock Road, and am in favor of. I do have a problem with the attitude that "it is for the greater good of safety and all of Alexandria and it's unfortunate if your streets get more traffic, live with it. " I chose to live on a narrow, side street so as not to have to deal with a lot of fast cars coming down my street. I understand that increased traffic is a by-product of development and have come to, reluctantly, accept it. I do not understand deliberately putting more traffic on some select streets and inconvenicing their residents with road restrictions without ensuring that their input and ideas are solicited.

Comments:

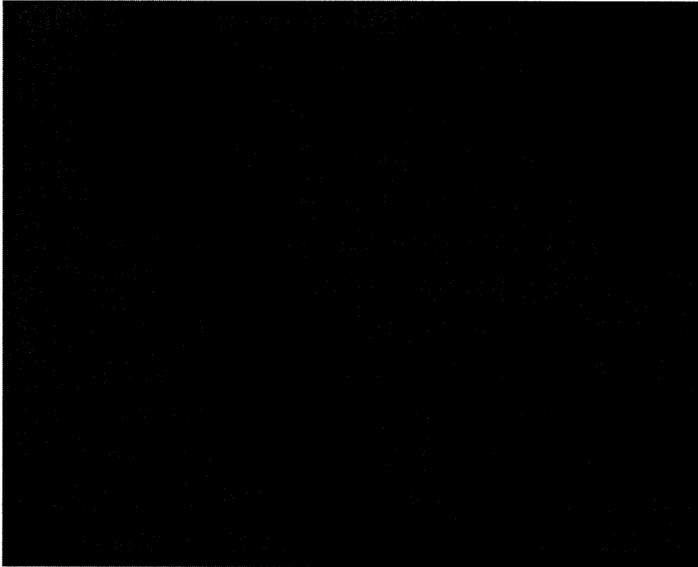
For example, I do not know the true purpose of closing off Masonic Avenue--is it to create parking spots for the people who will lose them on Braddock Road? Is it to create a safe crosswalk? Is it to reduce speeding and traffic on Masonic Avenue? (I owned a house on East Masonic during the 90s and am well aware of the speeding cars). I do not understand why the project will fail if Masonic is not closed off. Why not make it one way or put a "do not enter" or "no left turn" sign on Braddock Road to prevent westbound traffic from entering Masonic? Because I was not involved in the entire process, I do not know what alternatives were considered.

I would like to know when the process started, by whom, and what the purpose of all the changes are. While it may be that residents of Braddock Road have

been involved from the beginning, they are not the only ones who have to live with it. As far as I know, other traffic calming projects in the city have not involved intentionally re-routing traffic through residential neighborhoods (correct me if I'm wrong). Because this one does, I think greater efforts should have been made to include the entire area that will be affected by the project. And, by the way, had I not attended the Rosemont meeting last night, I would not have known that the City Council would be discussing it next week and that the meeting was changed to Wednesday.

I would appreciate anything you can do to slow the project and get more input from residents beyond Braddock Road. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help. Thank you. Joanna Chusid

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Dear Mayor and Council:

I am writing you regarding the proposed closing of

East Masonic View and Braddock Road. I have so many questions and concerns. At the very least I would request a delay in your decision for the following reasons. I also would like you to instruct your staff at Transportation to meet with us on Little, Oak, Walnut and Maple to allow us some input and explain fully their reasoning.

□ Minuscule notice and involvement by City officials of the people most directly implicated in this proposed change. (Our first notice was that this was a proposal was 40 days ago.

We, on Little Street, were informed on June 3rd this process was being reviewed since February. We were told the Church on the corner was involved, the residents up Braddock Road who are in need of a sidewalk were involved, the home owner at 205 Braddock was involved, as well as the Del Ray Citizens Association, who are not at all affected, was involved. The residents on Little Street, the residents on Oak Street, The residents on Walnut and Maple, who are most directly affected by the closing of this intersection, were not informed of this proposal until less than one week before the April 26th or 29th public hearing was to take place. We on Little were informed with a notice on a light post, of a public hearing on this proposal. I have ascertained that there is confusion by Little residents among those who actually saw the notice, the assumption being made that the City would actually involve us on some, even minimal level, of this proposal at some date. This was especially stated by our senior residents. We were not.

The last week in May I received the Rosemont Notice which stated a presentation was being made by Bob Garbasz of the City's Transportation and Environmental Services Division regarding the Braddock Road Traffic Calming Project. A neighbor and I attended, saw our first diagram, heard that discussions have been going on since February. We were told this was a "done deal"; that this closing of the intersection was inextricably intertwined with others getting their side walk, that this is a dangerous intersection, that our newly expressed concerns regarding: 1) being completely ignored in this process, our legitimate concerns regarding the quality of life and medical safety on Little Street, were of no importance and would not be addressed directly. It was stated that it is true that some people would be directly impacted negatively, but "I have looked at it all and this is the best solution". It is a "done deal".

I can completely appreciate the amount of work that went into this plan by our City officials. I cannot appreciate the fact the two short sentences on a public notice on a light post just over one month ago dictates a "done deal" because: we have been working on this since February: we know best: your concerns will not be addressed directly because we have already been over this with other people; constitutes citizen input by those who are so directly affected! I want these concerns addressed for myself and my neighbors. So I am going to express my concerns now, directly to you before your decision on June 9, less than a week away.

Comments:

Why are speed bumps on Braddock Road so inappropriate for fire and rescue when we were told last year when they were placing these speed bumps on Commonwealth and Russel that the speed bumps would in no way interfere with fire and rescue. I can see that they are effective on those two streets.

Why are the new sidewalks across the street on Braddock, in Del Ray, inextricably intertwined with the closing of our intersection.

How is a fire and rescue coming up a narrowed Braddock Road going to effectively make the left hand turn approximately 110 degrees to service us on Little Street. We have seniors and chronically ill residents on our short street and fire and rescue have been called approximately 5 times since January 2004. As it is the fire truck struggles to get down our narrow street. And how are they going to make the left 100 degree turn left onto Little and the immediate right turn onto East Masonic View to service that community in a medically efficient fashion?

How are school buses and trash trucks going to make the right hand turn off of Little Street onto a narrowed Braddock Road. Last year was the first year in the 14 years I have been here that Little Street was consistently plowed in a snow storm. Usually, just going straight is difficult. Making a 110 degree right turn onto a narrowed Braddock Road thrusts these large vehicles out into traffic on Braddock.

Why does speed control on Braddock require closing off our intersection?

Why will people not follow the path of least resistance and turn onto Glendale and Myrtle to

cut over increasing traffic on those two streets?
Has the Transportation Department discussed
this with these residents?

□ Why is closing this intersection the only
effective way of eliminating or curtailing the
dangerousness of this intersection? In the 14
years I have been here, I know of no incident at
that intersection. What other controlling avenues
have been studied and why won't they work? I
can think of several alternatives I would like to
see discussed.

These are a few of our legitimate concerns which
your Transportation representative at the
Rosemont Civic Association meeting refused to
discuss with us stating it was a done deal.

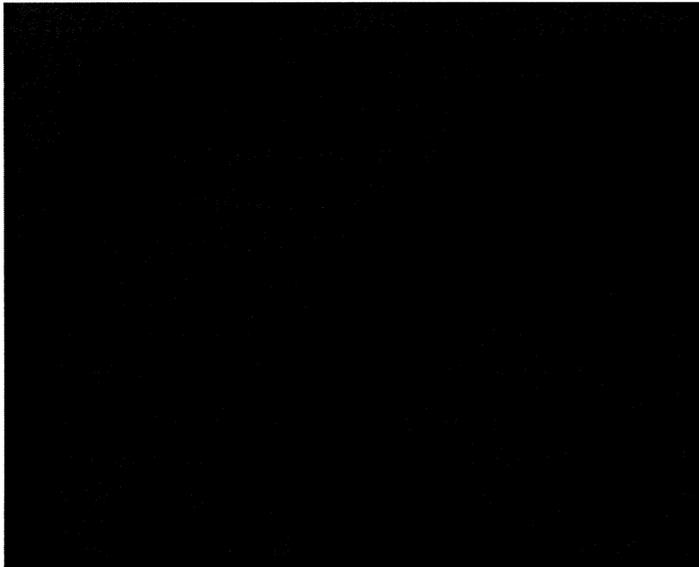
I sincerely hope that the Council delay a decision
on this, and that you instruct your Transportation
representatives to make legitimate effort to meet
with those most directly affected. This involves
the people on Little Street, Oak Street, Myrtle and
East Masonic View. Not the Del Ray Citizens
Association.

We on Little and the aforementioned streets
would have more representation if we had been
involved in a timely fashion to allow us input. Time
constraints have been extremely short. I
personally am unable to change my teaching
schedule in less than a weeks time to attend the
Council meeting. I am asking that this be put into
public record to show our lack of involvement.

Thank you for hearing me.

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Mr. Mayor, Madam Vice-Mayor and Members of
the City Council:

I am writing to support the comments Ms. LaMora

Pogue made in an email to Vice-Mayor Pepper regarding the closing of East Masonic View at Braddock Road.

Other than the posted notice of the April 26 meeting on this topic, there was no advance effort to consult broadly with the residents of Little Street. The posting of the notice was the first time I ever even heard that this disastrous idea was being considered.

If the closing is carried out, any homeowner in the affected area will have an affirmative obligation to disclose to potential home buyers that the neighborhood is not accessible to emergency vehicles.

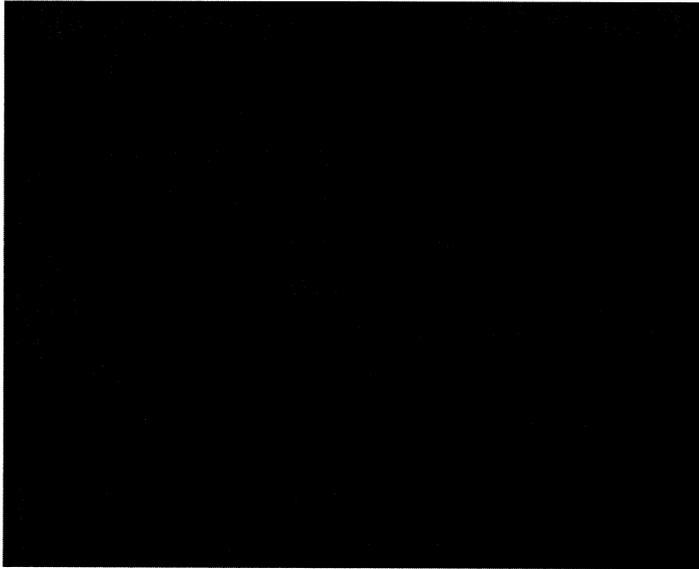
Comments:

The school bus stop at Little Street at the Oak end will also have to be eliminated--if not now, then at least after the first school bus accident occurs when the bus tries to turn from Little Street to Braddock Road.

We have lived within one house of the East Masonic-Little-Braddock intersection for 20 years and neither my husband nor I can recall a single accident during that time. Therefore, the argument that this is a dangerous intersection is demonstrably false.

We are only voters and taxpayers, not special interest groups. But I certainly hope dead taxpayers--those who will die if this proposal is carried out and makes the neighborhood less safe--will weigh on your consciences.

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Richard Baier, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services made a telephone call to me on June 8, 2004 and offering to hold another meeting regarding the closing of East Masonic View at Braddock Road. I too, feel we could take steps to make that intersection safer for pedestrians.

However, I have, as of this morning, been informed that the process involving the closing of East Masonic View at Braddock Road for "traffic calming procedures" has been actively ungelating among those in the know for two years. And now we understand why the Del Ray Civic Association was so intimately involved. However, I wonder why the residents of East Rosemont, who are the most directly and negatively impacted, were never summoned for input, were never asked for feedback or even informed fully of the plans for this proposal. We in East Rosemont were not approached by either the City, The Department of Transportation and the Rosemont Civic Association. We view that with great dismay. Diligence appears to be a prerequisite to protect your rights in this scenario.

East Rosemont may not be as wealthy or influential as the aforementioned; however we consider ourselves a valuable resource within the community of Alexandria. Our expectation is to be treated with the same regard as others within Alexandria. We are unhappy that we were not. We are unhappy that now, as it is becoming clear that this planning process going on for two years, included everyone else but those os us who are most directly and negatively involved.

We now know for instance that:

- 1: This has been an ongoing process for two years
- 2: That in the fray to clam traffic expected from what we consider over development, concerns were raised in the methods investigated (speed bumps and fire and rescue) which I contacted the Council about
- 3: That the residents in Del Ray from Mount Vernon Avenue to Street wanted a sidewalk in front of their house
- 4: That in order to obtain these sidewalks they were unwilling to give up their easements
- 5: That others, who expressed concern regarding the plan, were told that the easements are only 1 ½ feet back from the street even though the light posts were further back on the property

Comments:

6: That to obtain this, Braddock Road would be narrowed during a short stretch on Braddock Road to accommodate new sidewalks and calm traffic

7. That as a necessary part of this plan to succeed, the City would have to remove parking from the Rosemont side of Braddock

8. That to allow more parking and alleviate the lack of parking, and solve a pedestrian problem at East Masonic View and Braddock, the City would close it off

9. That , that, that , that , that.

10. And that we just won't tell the people of East Rosemont - fill the int blank.

These are the sentiments floating around in East Rosemont. We could be wrong on some of these sentiments, but, you know what, we just don't know. We've not been informed at any meaningful point in this planning.

In my telephone conversation with Richard Baier, and I have been told he is good at traffic flow, he indicated that you were not going to "rehash this with the whole community". My response was; don't waste our time in an attempt to merely placate us. If this meeting you are going to allow us is not one to involve us actively in the decision making process - then the meeting is a waste of our time and his time. You cannot rehash what has never been hashed before!!

In my telephone conversation with Richard Baier as well, he indicated that he would not notify residents on Oak Street as "where do you draw the line?" This affects all residents of East Rosemont, period. We are making every effort ourselves to notify as many as possible to include:

Ramsey, Wayne, Myrtle, Glendale, and Oak Street. Our time is very limited to mobilize but we are doing what we can. Everyone we have talked to is resentful of this decision.

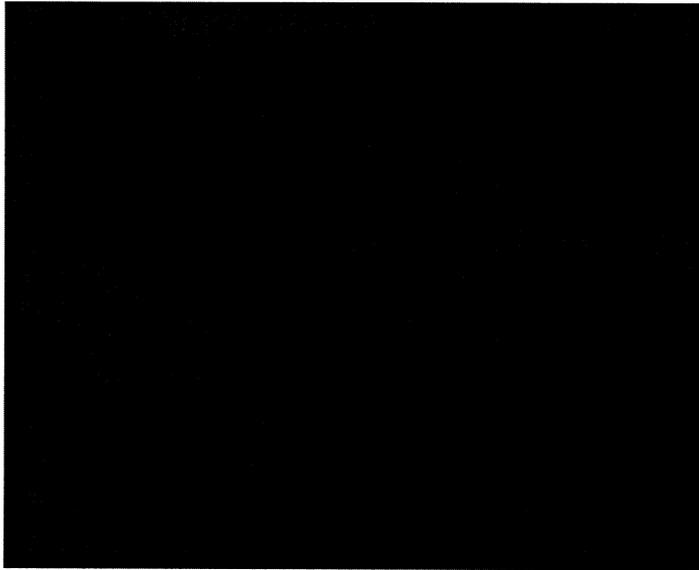
East Rosemont may not be as wealthy or as powerful as the aforementioned groups. However, we are a valuable resource to the City of Alexandria and pay equal taxes. We expect to be treated as such. We are unhappy that we were not.

I hope in the meeting held on Tuesday, June 15th at 7:00 pm at GW will be directly addressed. I hope the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services are not completely so completely ingrained in their beliefs that our

responses have at the very least some impact.
And I hope sincerely that a Council member will
be present.

Thank you
La Mora Pogue

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Please Approve the Braddock Road Traffic Calming Plan!

As one of the citizens closely involved with the

Braddock Road Traffic Calming project, I recommend that City Council consider the Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal (as scheduled) at the 22 June City Council meeting. It is a good proposal which addresses pedestrian safety issues and achieves neighborhood traffic calming in accordance with Council vision!

The Braddock Road Traffic Calming proposal was developed jointly by City Staff and citizen groups in an ongoing, iterative process for nearly 18 months. We believe the proposal is now ready for Council's consideration.

Highlights:

- A super majority of the property owners of the directly affected properties have signed the required petition. (75-80% signed in support, only 65% are required by City policy).

- The Parking and Transportation Board unanimously endorsed the proposal at its April meeting.

Comments:

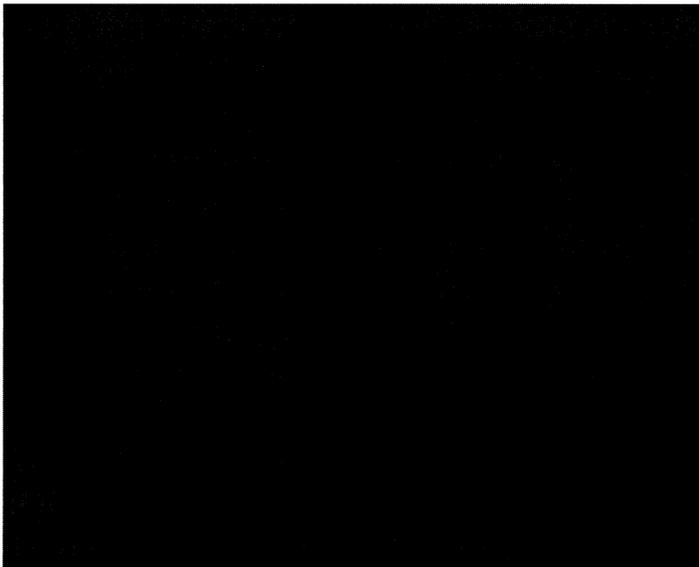
- The Del Ray Citizens Association voted in support of the proposal at its April membership meeting.

- The President of the Rosemont Civic Association emailed her endorsement of the proposal to Paul DeMaio, T&ES.

There are some residents on nearby streets who have raised questions/concerns to Council members. Their concerns stemmed from the most recent changes to the citizen/city staff-developed proposal, which were made to accommodate substantial objections by the Church of Christ and residents of East Masonic View. The recent modification calls for closure of East Masonic View at East Braddock Road in a way similar other problem intersections in the neighborhood such as the closure at West Glendale and Commonwealth Ave.

We believe the resident's concerns will be addressed adequately at a meeting with T&ES representatives on Tuesday, 15 June and that there are no real show stoppers for Council approval of the Braddock Road Traffic Calming Plan.

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

Please consider the approval of the East Braddock Road Traffic Calming Plan. I think it is a

good proposal and tries to address the issues of pedestrian safety along with trying to calm a very busy main street in the City.

Comments:

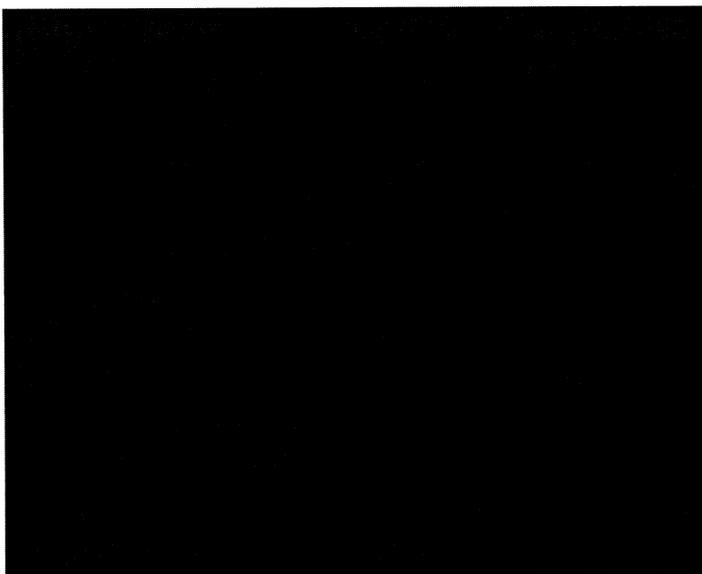
I live on the corner of Braddock and Ramsey. I live in my childhood home and love it there. Over the years though due to the increase in traffic and the speed at which the majority of the traffic travels, I do fear just sitting in my yard at times. We have had several major accidents in our yard with cars going too fast and running right through our yard. Some choose to park in the yard while others continued on their way. We have had to replace our fence or parts of it many times.

I am just asking for you to please consider approving this plan to slow down the traffic for all of our sakes.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I do appreciate all you do for our City!

Sincerely,
Norma S. Hill
800 Ramsey Street

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Response requested:

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Re: Please approve the E. Braddock Road Traffic Calming Plan
Dear Mayor Bill Euille, and Council Members.

For 11 years I lived at 100-A E. Braddock Road, and pestered Officer Nasibi of the Alexandria Police and others to ticket speeding drivers on E. Braddock Road, to put up the digital speed boards, and to do something about the dangerously fast drivers on the road which is used by many pedestrians and commuters like me.

Rick Baier can testify to my efforts, as well as Tom Van Wagner's, to develop a speed calming plan for the Braddock Road.

After many years of effort by community members and residents of E. Braddock Road and neighboring streets, there is now a good plan, one that will be put before the city Council for approval at the June 22 meeting. The plan is a comprehensive plan that takes into account pedestrian safety, as well as neighborhood design features, and the needs of residents of E. Braddock Road and neighboring streets.

It was developed jointly by the Alexandria city staff, neighborhood residents, and the Del-Ray and Rosemont citizens groups, through nearly two years of open discussions and a consensus method.

I, as well as the residents of E. Braddock Road, Del-Ray Citizens Association, the Rosemont Citizens Association, and other community members, believe it is a good proposal.

Comments:

1. It was approved by a super majority of the residents of directly affected properties on E. Braddock Road. (nearly 80% approved it; far more than the 65% required by city policy.)

2. It was unanimously endorsed by the Alexandria Parking and Transportation Board at its April meeting.

3. It was approved by the Del-Ray Citizens Association meeting at the April membership meeting, and the association fully supports it.

4. It has the backing of Marguerite Lang, the president of the Rosemont Civic Association, who sent her endorsement to Paul DeMaio, T&ES. There is a small group of residents of nearby streets who have expressed their concerns to you, and their concerns arise from amendments made to the original proposal to accommodate the Church of Christ and residents of E. Masonic View.

The amendments call for the closure of E. Masonic View at E. Braddock Road in a way similar to other problem intersections in the neighborhood, such as the closure of W. Glendale and Commonwealth Ave.

I believe the concerns of the small group of objectors from Little St. will be addressed tonight at the meeting with T&ES representatives.

Please vote for the proposal; the residents of E. Braddock Road and metro commuters from the Del-Ray and Rosemont neighborhoods that walk on Braddock Road every day have waited long enough for a traffic calming proposal and deserve your support. Please don't disappoint them now.

Thank you,

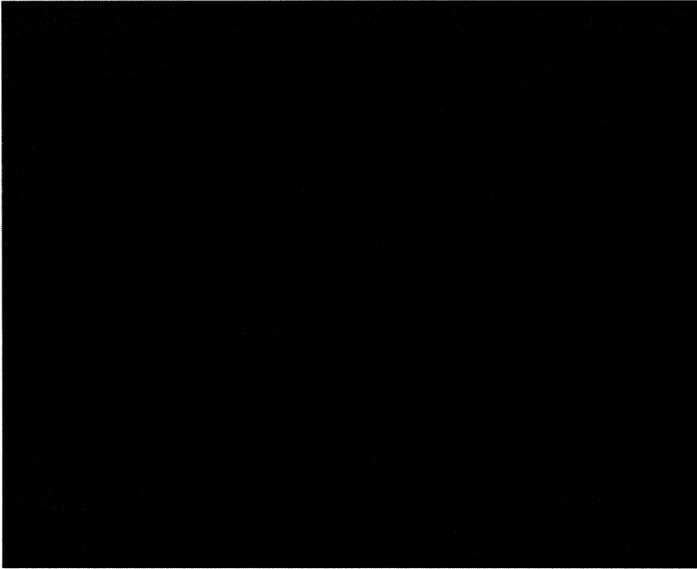
Yours sincerely,

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TO: ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL June 15, 2004

A meeting was held this evening at GW school

with the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services and the interested residents of East Rosemont regarding the closing of the East Masonic View and Braddock Road intersection.

The residents of Little Street and those representatives from the surrounding streets in East Rosemont were exceedingly upset with the original proposal and the lack of participation we were afforded in the process of deciding what was best to do. We felt we were the dumping ground for what was "left over": a ten space parking lot at the end of our street. My neighbors made terrific points. I was very impressed with their commitment to this process.

Near the end of the meeting Mr. Richard Baier presented a modified plan which actually addressed our concerns, the City's concerns, the concerns of our neighbors across Braddock Road in need of a side walk.

Comments:

The modified plan directly addresses my issues of; easy access by fire and rescue down Little Street and up East Masonic View by modifying the present round brae (a grassy knoll). The turn for fire and rescue will not be as dramatic and does not require the previous recommendation of slanting the curb to allow the trucks to drive over it. The modification of the brae will also allow and easier right turn onto Braddock Road from Little Street and East Masonic View, while still limiting drive through traffic on East Masonic View. In the modified plan the City would save 4 parking places for those affected on Braddock Road, (one home) and the Church for Sunday services. The Church did lose 6 spaces, but they do have a parking lot in the rear of the Church and because parking is not that bad on surrounding streets, they will still have ample parking. My last concern was a parking lot at the end of my street and its impact on my financial investment in my home as well as my neighbors.

Most of the Little Street residents, East Masonic View residents, Oak Street residents were pleased with the modified plan. We do however, being a community, want to lend our support for speed bumps in front of Wayne, Glendale and Myrtle as an aid for traffic calming for those streets because we know this neighborhood, and know people are going to cut through on those streets now. Richard Baier indicated the issue was money. I would request that the Council also include these residents in this plan and set aside

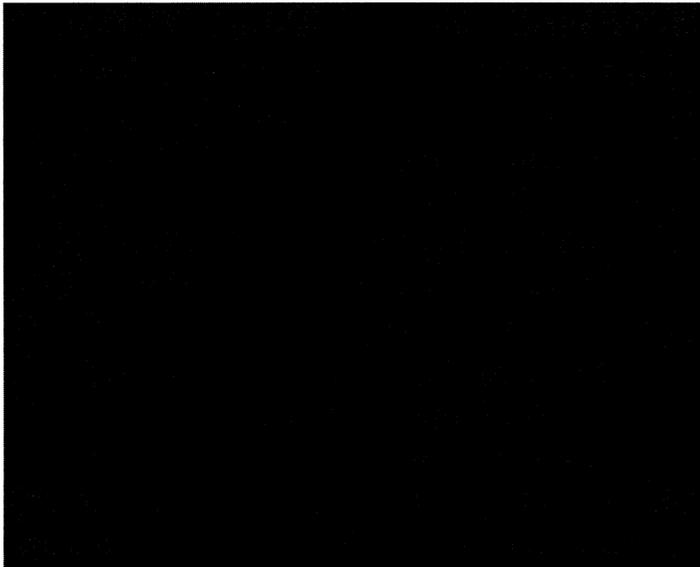
the \$10,000 that would help them from something that is going to come.

I was impressed with my neighborhood. But this is a personal statement. I was also impressed with Richard Baier. His willingness to listen, hear, assimilate and then accommodate was so skillful I just kept watching him. A fine, fine addition the City has in this fellow. I started in another camp and now and firmly in support of his modified plan. I won't oppose him again until I have to!!

Thank you,

LaMora Pogue

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Response requested:

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Greetings Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members:
I have been actively involved for the past 2 years in the Braddock Road traffic calming measure,

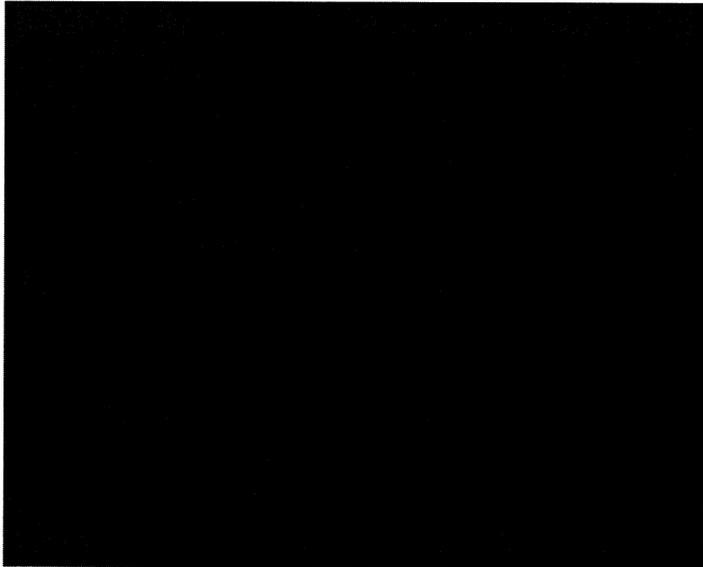
and have been working with Paul DeMaio through various planning groups in coming up with a suitable plan for East Braddock Road. On Tuesday June 15th, I attended which I hope will be the last civic meeting at George Washington Middle School to discuss the Braddock Road Traffic Calming Initiative with the surrounding neighbors. As the proposal stands today, I am full support of this initiative. Earlier this year, we petitioned the residents of East Braddock Road, and received 80 percent approval rating for the traffic calming measure. I believe that the proposed traffic calming measures will create a safer, pedestrian friendly road that will be a tremendous benefit to Del Ray and Rosemont. I am especially in support of the creation of sidewalks on the north side of Braddock Road, since many pedestrians including myself use the road to walk to the Braddock Road Metro and to GW! Middle School.

Comments:

I want to acknowledge Paul DeMaio for his patience in listening to the concerns of the Braddock Road and surrounding area residents and his hard work in creating a traffic calming plan that takes into consideration everyones' needs.

Thank you for your time.

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Response requested:

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Last Name: Van Wagner
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I fully support the East Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal as modified in the public meeting on 15 June 2004 at GW Middle School. Rich Baier, Paul DeMaio, and Tom Culpepper did

an outstanding job of achieving consensus from residents on nearby streets by incorporating some aesthetic adjustments to the existing proposal.

Comments: This Traffic Calming effort represents a major improvement in pedestrian safety in an area used by a large number of pedestrians and achieves traffic calming in accordance with Council vision. I believe it will enhance the quality of life in the entire neighborhood.

I encourage you to approve the proposal at the 22 June Council meeting for immediate implementation.



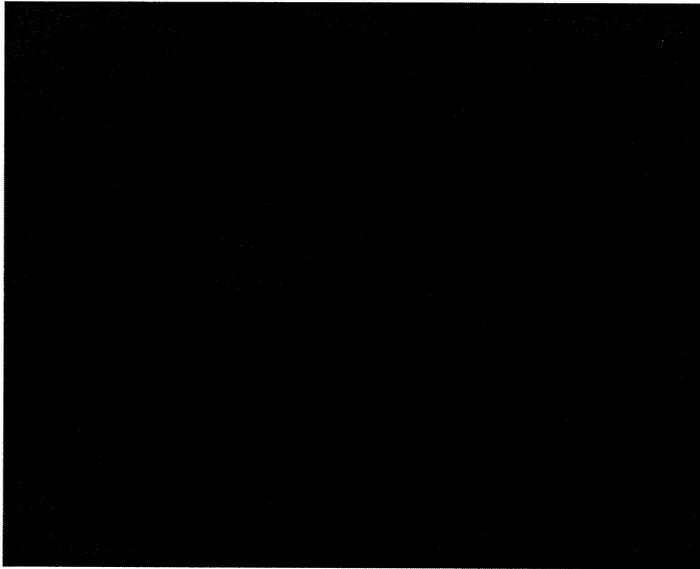
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Response requested:

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Last Name: Rush
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Zip: 22301-2116
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We have lived at 200 East Braddock Road for
more than 25 years with no sidewalk on our side

of the street. During that period pedestrian traffic has increased considerably with the opening of the Braddock Road Metro stop and vehicle speed on Braddock Road has also increased. This creates a particularly dangerous situation.

Comments:

For the past 18 months we have been working with neighbors and city officials in the development of a traffic calming plan that will not only slow traffic but also provide a sidewalk for pedestrians on the North side of the street. This plan, which has the approval of almost all of the affected parties, is currently scheduled to come before city council on June 22. We fully support and urge you to approve it as modified at the public meeting on June 15, 2004, at GW Middle School.



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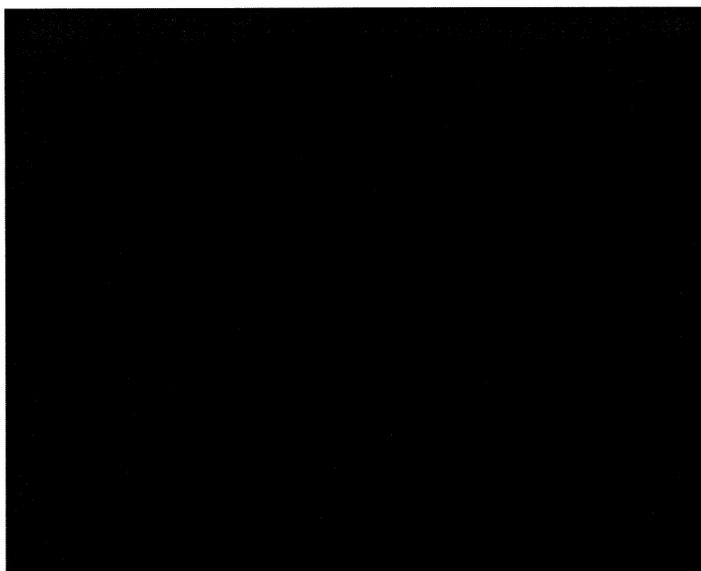
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Response requested:

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Last Name: Shaw
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-836-0365
Email Address: shawm@law.georgetown.edu
Dear City Council Members,

I live at 104 East Braddock Road with my husband and two children. I am writing to express

my full support for the traffic calming plans as proposed by the city.

Each work day morning, I load my two children (ages 2 and 3) into a double stroller for our daily commute to Metro. I am forced to do this in the street because there is no sidewalk or driveway. I then have to jaywalk across Braddock Road to get to the sidewalk. Each evening, we reverse the process to unload in the street when we return home. This is really a terrifying situation in rush hour traffic.

Comments:

The closing of East Masonic View is also a good idea. Just yesterday I was crossing that street pushing the stroller when a car came within 18 inches of hitting us!

I ask that you support these needed safety improvements at the June 22nd meeting.

Thank you,

Mabel Shaw
104 East Braddock Road
Alexandria, VA



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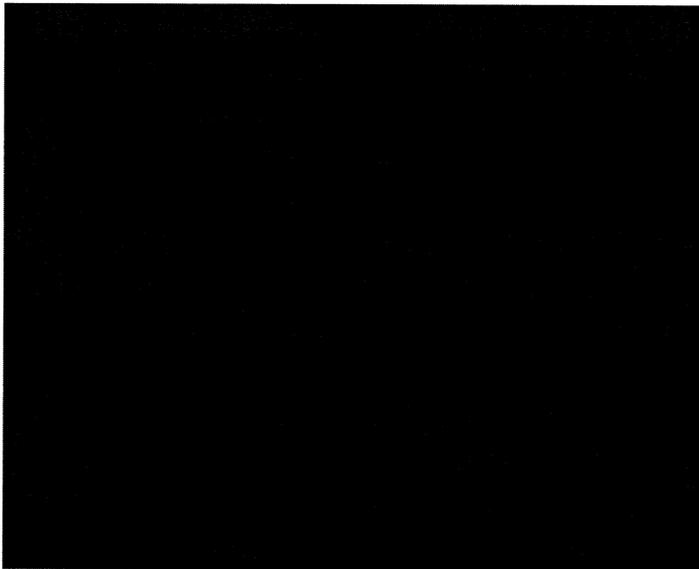
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Response requested:

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Last Name: Moss
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 917.855.4549
Email Address: kevinmoss77@hotmail.com

Re: Please approve the Braddock Road Traffic
Calming
Proposal

I am a second year law student at New York University School of Law and currently reside at 202 East Braddock Road. I emphatically support the East Braddock Road traffic calming measure. I walk to and from the Braddock Road metro at least twice daily. In my experience, I feel safer crossing the streets of New York City then walking down the stretch of East Braddock Road between the metro and my residence.

Comments: Coming home I have to walk on the north side where there is no sidewalk, dodging traffic as best I can, or I cross to the south side of the street, which forces me to cross back to the north side, dodging the swift flow of oncoming traffic. On several occasions I have had to run the last several yards to avoid being hit by a speeding vehicle.

I therefore urge adoption of the calming measure at your June 22nd meeting and quick action to begin the necessary construction.

Best Regards,
Kevin Moss



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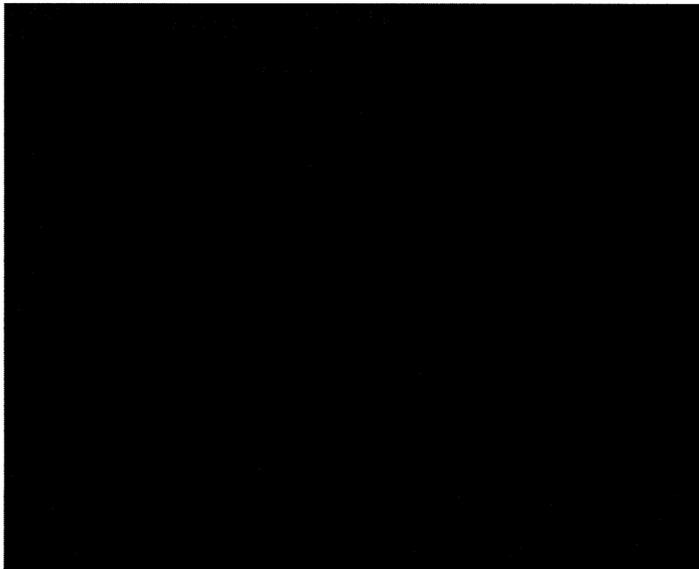
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Last Name: Helbrecht
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City: Alexandria
State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703 548-5784
Email Address: mjkandg@verizon.net

Regarding the Braddock Road Traffic Calming
Proposal:

The Braddock Road Metro Station opened over

20 years ago, and the city has done a great deal of work on Braddock Road at the Metro station, but more needs to be done west of Mount Vernon Avenue. With 2 small children, I have looked for safe walking routes for ourselves and visitors. I have friends who live in the area, and over the past few years, negotiating Braddock Road with no north-side sidewalks has become much more perilous, especially on dark winter mornings and onevenings.

Comments:

I am therefore very grateful to the group of neighbors and city staff who have worked intensively to develop a plan for traffic calming that has pedestrian safety at its heart. With the final improvements developed at the meeting of June 15, we think this is a proposal that benefits not only the immediate neighborhood, but those of us from a much broader area who want or need to use Metro.

We urge adoption of the plan at your June 22 meeting and quick action to begin the necessary construction. What makes our community so successful is the ability to walk to most destinations, please make this area safely safe for all of us.



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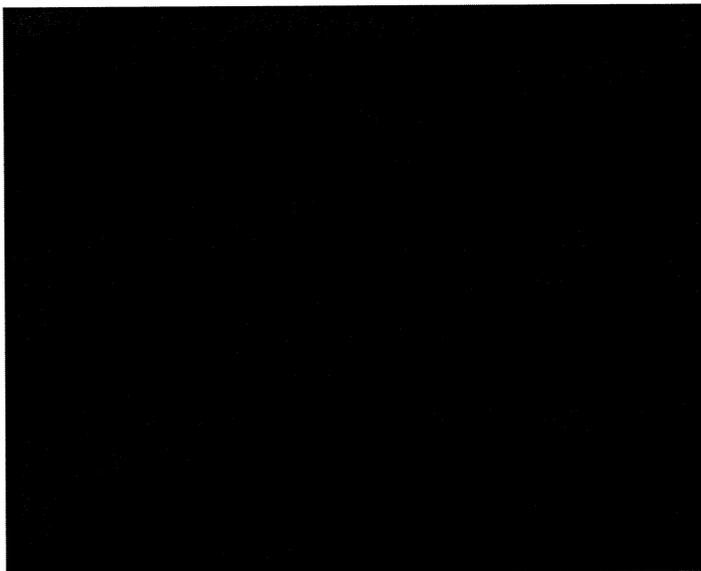
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Response requested:

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Last Name: Hendrickson
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City: Alexandria
State: Virginia
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-549-7365
Email Address: whendrick@aol.com

Dear Mayor Euille and City Council members:

I am writing to support the closing of a 40-foot section of East Masonic View Avenue as part of a

sorely need traffic-calming project on Braddock Road. This matter is on the docket of your June 22 meeting.

Braddock between Commonwealth and Mount Vernon Avenues is heavily used by people walking to the METRO station, as well as by schoolchildren attending George Washington Middle School. It is incredible that no sidewalk currently exists on the north side of Braddock.

Comments:

The section of Braddock covered in this traffic-calming plan is currently a mini-freeway. Police have long documented many vehicles traveling at excessive speeds. The narrowing of the travel lanes and other features of this plan should help to lower those speeds. In addition, because of the proposed new crosswalk with bulb-outs at Little Street, pedestrians will have a much easier time crossing Braddock.

The loss of seven parking places seems to me to be, at worst, a minor inconvenience given the substantial public benefits of this plan. To truly protect the safety of pedestrians and increase the number of people who walk rather than drive, the Council must approve traffic-calming plans such as the one for Braddock Road.

Sincerely,

Bill Hendrickson



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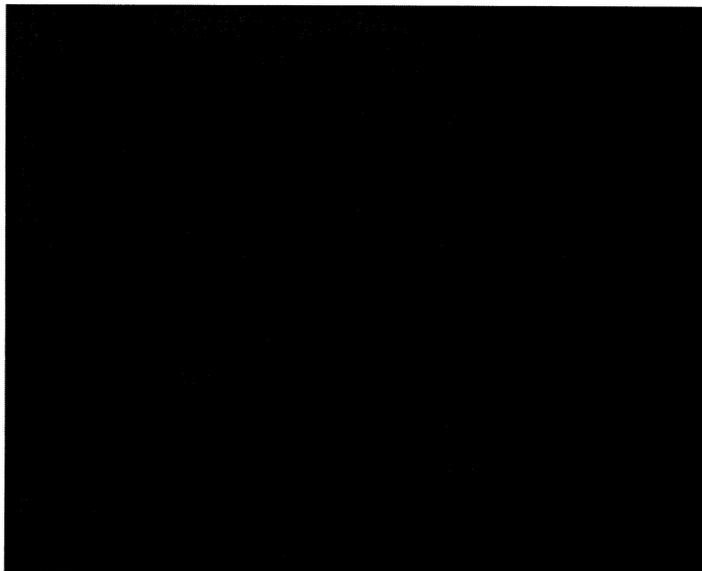
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State: VA
Zip: 22301
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I fully support the East Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal as modified at the public meeting on June 15, 2004, at the George Washington Middle School. Rich Baier, Paul

Comments:

DeMaio and Tom Culpepper did an outstanding job achieving consensus from residents on nearby streets, such as myself, by incorporating some aesthetic adjustments to the existing proposal. This traffic-calming effort represents a major improvement in pedestrian safety in an area with a high volume of pedestrians and achieves traffic colming in accordance with Council's vision. I believe it will enhance the quality of life in the entire neighborhood. Please approve this proposal on June 22, 2004, for immediate implementation.



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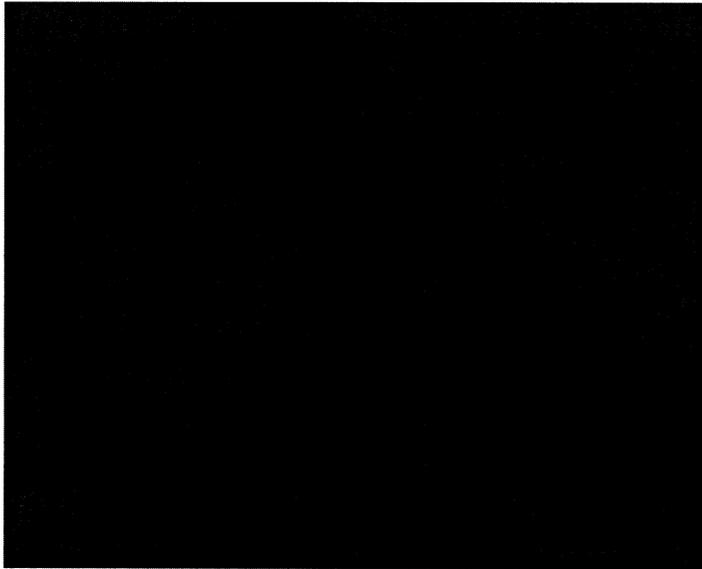
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Email Address: hoar@erols.com

To: The Mayor, Vice Mayor and Council Members
Re: Traffic Calming Proposal, East Braddock Road

I am a frequent visitor to friends who live on East Braddock Road and I understand that you will be voting on a traffic calming proposal on June 22, 2004. I am very pleased that this is being considered and certainly hope you will support this important effort. The traffic now is not only fast but there is no sidewalk on the north side to allow safe passage around parked automobiles when walking between houses or from the Metro. I think as a resident, let alone with pets, small children, or slower moving elderly, that it would be dangerous indeed.

Comments:

This proposal will not only make this street safer but will add to a more "charming neighborhood" ambiance that is characteristic of so many nice streets in Alexandria rather than the local speedway that this sometimes becomes. It is unusual that safety and the character of an area can be favorably affected while not impinging on egress and ingress.

This is a wonderful example of what can be accomplished for mutual benefit when citizens and the City Staff are able to work together to plan community changes. Thank you so much for all your efforts in this regard and I look forward to the "slowing" changes and safer walking in the near future.

Sincerely,

Sandy Hoar



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State: VA
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Phone: 646-207-2999
Email Address: samlitzinger@hotmail.com

I'd like to indicate my support for the modified traffic calming plan for Braddock Rd. as discussed on June 15, 2004 at George Washington Middle School.

Comments:

Thank you.

Sam Litzinger



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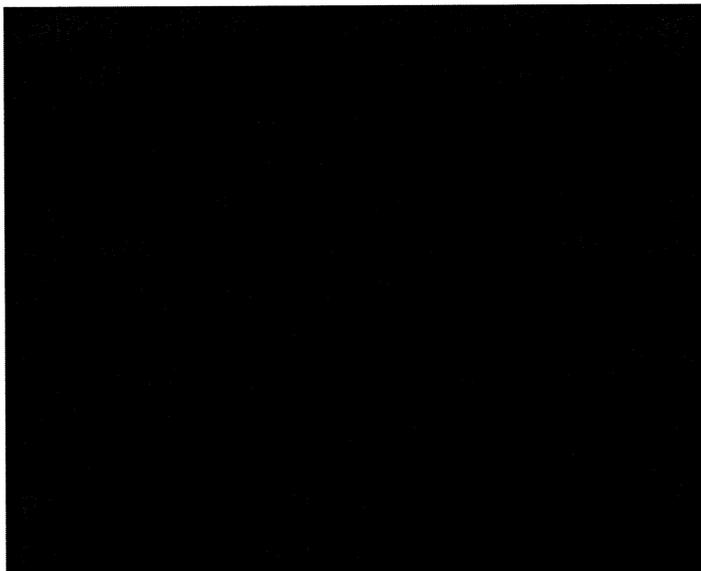
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State: VA
Zip: 22301
Phone: 703-836-0928
Email Address: ArrasmithQuill@att.net
June 20, 2004

Dear Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Pepper and
Member of City Council,

This letter is in support of the sidewalk improvements on Braddock Road. We are thrilled about the possibility of having an improved street for the following reasons:

1. Safety

Sidewalks create a better link between the neighborhoods around Braddock Road. The reconfiguration at East Masonic View and sidewalk bump-outs will enable people with strollers, bikes, dogs, etc. to cross safely. Many times we have been caught mid-intersection while crossing.

2. Traffic Calming

Many studies have concluded that a more narrow street slows the traffic speed.

Comments:

3. More Pedestrians

Sidewalks create a better pedestrian path to the GW Middle School and METRO. More riders on METRO is a good thing for many reasons.

4. Aesthetics

Sidewalks on Braddock Road will make our neighborhood look better.

I ask you to approve the East Braddock Road Traffic Calming Proposal as modified at the June 15, 2004 public meeting, for immediate implementation.

Very truly yours,

Lori Arrasmith Quill



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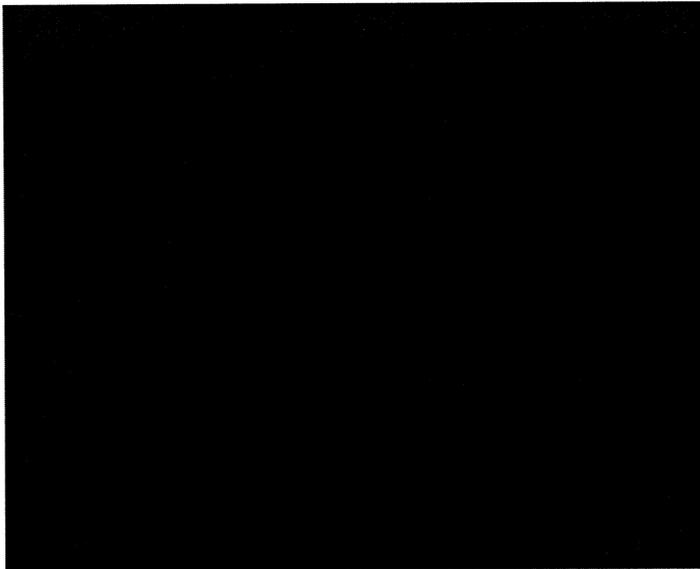
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I DO NOT FULLY SUPPORT the East Braddock
Road Traffic Calming Porposal.
I have lived on Little Street for 29 years. In all
those years I have not witnessed one - not one

traffic accident in this area.

I understand often there is an increase of use on East Masonic in the morning for some drivers who go down this street to Commonwealth Avenue. This is because there has been no effort to create a left turn signal at Braddock and Commonwealth.

I fully support a sidewalk to be built on the north edge of Braddock Road for pedestrian traffic. This would lower the use of the only sidewalk on the south side of Braddock. The left turning signal at Commonwealth and Braddock is the only alternative to this proposal, otherwise all people will begin to do is take E. Spring to Commonwealth so they do not have to participate in the back up at Commonwealth and Braddock.

My neighbors are wonderful people. Yet I predict the very people who began this project will be leaving the area before it is even completed.

Comments:

Once again, I stand as a resident of 29 years and say I DO NOT FULLY SUPPORT the East Braddock Road Traffic Proposal without a more extensive study of the new challenges and side roads drivers will take to avoid the back up for left turns onto Commonwealth from Braddock. Most of these "side street" residents have no idea how this will impact their safety in the future. You know, you cannot barricade every street leading to the main arteries of travel in this City.

ONE MORE COMMENT, I TRULY DO NOT WISH TO SEE THIS VOTED FOR "IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION" BEFORE THE QUIETING PLAN FOR THE PEDESTRIAN AND CAR TRAFFIC IS COMPLETED IN FRONT OF GEORGE WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL AS MR. BAIER AND I DISCUSSED IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL ON MARCH 11, 2004. I WILL BE MOST DISCOURAGED IF THE MT. VERNON/ GWMS PROJECT IS NOT COMPLETED BEFORE THE BRADDOCK ROAD PROJECT IS BEGUN. I DO FEEL THE CHILDREN'S SAFETY FAR OUTWEIGHS THE AESTHETICS MY NEIGHBORS WISH TO ENJOY. I BELIEVE THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS IS A PRIORITY OF THE MAYOR'S AND COUNCIL MEMBER'S

VISION FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA.

Respectfully,

Nan



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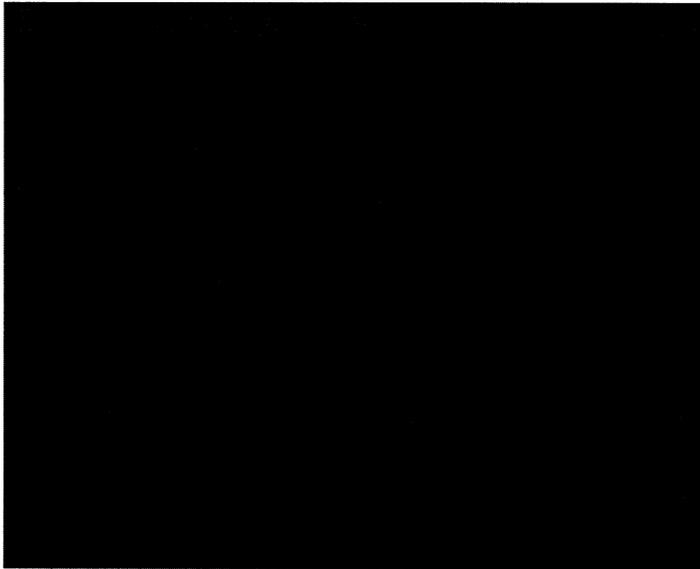
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Re: Please approve the Braddock Road Traffic
Calming
Proposal

As a 2nd year law student living in Alexandria while interning in DC, I am pleased to offer my support for the East Braddock Road traffic calming effort. I walk to and from the Braddock Road metro at least twice daily. I feel safer crossing streets in Downtown Chicago!

I either walk on the north side where there is no sidewalk, dodging traffic as best I can, or I try to cross to the south side of the street, which is very difficult because of the speed and volume of traffic.

Comments: (On more than one occasion, I have had to run the last several yards to avoid being hit by a speeding car or bus!)

I am therefore very grateful to the group of neighbors (including my landlord) and city staff who have worked intensively to develop a plan for traffic calming that has pedestrian safety at its heart.

I urge adoption of the plan at your June 22 meeting and quick action to begin the necessary construction."

Sincerely,

Piran Farhadieh



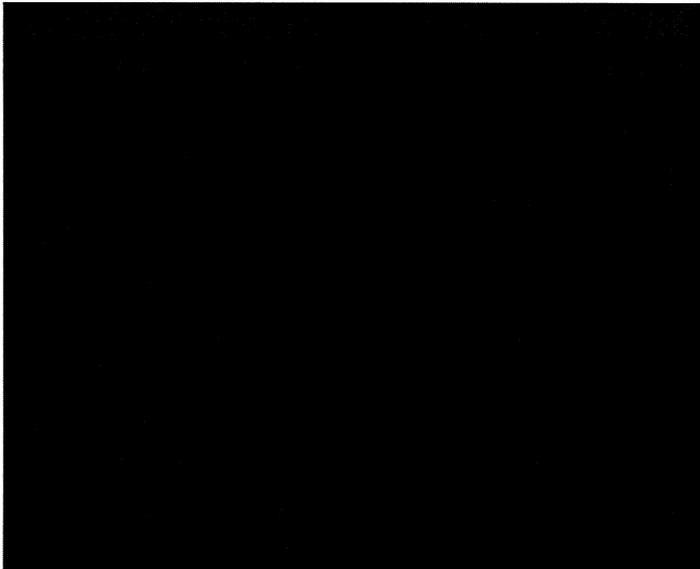
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Dear Mayor, Vice-Mayor and City Council
Members,

My wife and I have lived in Alexandria for over 5

Comments:

and ten years respectfully now and have recently bought a home on West Braddock Rd. We are plagued with them same issues facing many of our neighbour in the Alexandria City limits, which is traffic and associated problems. While we accept the fact that there is going to be traffic and there are going to folks who use the neighborhood streets to cut through during their commute. I strongly feel the city has overlooked the area just east of the Braddock, King and Quaker intersection on Braddock Rd. for traffic calmming devices. To offer are we put in the position of speeders running into us turning into our home or people racing up and down the hill between Cameron Mills and Scroggins Rd. I plead with you to please consider our area of town for your next round of traffic calmming (speed tables) or simple please start asking the Alexandria Police to crack down on the excess speeding.

Thanks,

Gordon Speed



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Subject Closure of East Masonic View Avenue

Dear Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council,

Please approve the closure of East Masonic Avenue at East Braddock Road. This is part of the traffic calming plan for East Braddock between Commonwealth and Mount Vernon. The critical part of this plan is the construction of a sidewalk on the north side of East Braddock, a feature that has been missing for several decades and made more necessary with the closeness of a Metro stop at Braddock Road. /this is a matter of pedestrian safety.

T & ES has had meetings with folks in the neighborhood who will be directly affected by the plan and especially by the closure of East Masonic View. This plan was a challenge and I believe that T & ES has integrated neighborhood concerns and together have reached a workable compromise that I hope you will support.

Thank you for your consideration,
Marguerite L Lang
President, Rosemont Citizens Association

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