DATE: MAY 8, 2008

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE FEES FOR OVERWEIGHT/OVERSIZED VEHICLE PERMITS

ISSUE: Consideration of an ordinance to increase fees for overweight/oversize vehicle permits as approved in the FY 2009 operating budget adoption.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council approve the proposed ordinance on first reading and set it for second reading and final passage on Tuesday, May 20 with the proposed fee increase to be effective July 1, 2008.

DISCUSSION: The FY 2009 approved budget adopted by Council on May 5, 2008, includes an increase in the fee for overweight/oversize vehicles from $10 to $30.

FISCAL IMPACT: This fee will generate approximately $7,020 of revenue in FY 2009.

ATTACHMENT: Proposed Ordinance

STAFF:
Richard J. Baier, P.E., Director, T&ES
Antonio Baxter, Chief/Administration, T&ES
Bruce Johnson, Director, OMB
Morgan Routt, Budget and Management Analyst, OMB
EXHIBIT NO. 3

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Title
AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 5-8-152 (PERMITS FOR EXCESSIVE SIZE AND WEIGHT, ETC.), of Article I (VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS), Chapter 8 (PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS) of Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

Summary
The proposed ordinance includes permit fees for operating overweight and oversize limit vehicles on City streets in the new uniform procedure for setting fees and charges; requires such permit fees to be included in the new compendium of City fees on the City's web site, and requires that such fees be re-examined annually as part of the budget process.

Sponsor
Staff
Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager
Bruce Johnson, Director, OMB
Richard Baier, Director, T&ES
Ignacio Pessoa, City Attorney

Authority
§2.07, Alexandria City Charter

Estimated Costs of Implementation
See Memorandum from the City Manager

Attachments in Addition to Proposed Ordinance and its Attachments (if any)
None
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THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 5-8-152 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, 1981 as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 5-8-152 Permits for excessive size and weight; concrete mixers; certain coal-hauling vehicles; certain refuse collection trucks and certain vehicles carrying containerized freight.

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b) The director of transportation and environmental services, upon application in writing made by the owner or operator of any of the vehicles of the types specified in section 46.1-343 46.2-1139 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, shall issue the permits that are provided for in that section, and the applicant shall pay to the city the fee established and published pursuant to section 3-1-8 of this code.

c) Every such permit shall be carried in the vehicle to which it refers and shall be open to inspection by any officer. Any person who violates any of the terms or conditions of the special permit shall be punished in accordance with section 10-1-19 of this code.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2008.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE
Mayor

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First Reading: 5/13/08
Publication:
Public Hearing:
Second Reading:
Final Passage:
ORDINANCE NO. 4539

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