TRAFFIC & PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

June 24, 2024 City Hall – Alexandria, VA Hybrid meeting will start at 7:00 PM



Welcome!

Public Hearing:

Board will receive comments from the public in-person and via Zoom

Three Ways to Speak:

- Via e-mail: signed up in advance
- In-person: use sign-up form at back of the room
- Via Zoom: use 'Raise Hand' feature in Zoom
 - *9 with phone audio

Agenda: June 24, 2024

Welcome & Introductions

- 1. Deferrals and Withdrawals
- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Written Staff Updates & Public Hearing Follow-up
- 4. Public Discussion Period

Consent Items:

- 5. Parking Removal Sanger Avenue as part of the William Ramsay Safe Routes to School Project
- 6. Parking Removal 1800 block of Potomac Greens Drive for a Capital Bikeshare station
- 7. Parking Removal 700 block of Four Mile Road for a Capital Bikeshare station
- 8. Parking removal South Hudson Street at Vermont Avenue

- 9. Parking Restrictions Modification 317-325 North Columbus Street
- 10. Parking Restrictions Modification 400 block of Pendleton Street
- 11. New Parking Restrictions 1000 Block of North Fayette Street

Public Hearing Items:

- 12. One-way conversion and short-term improvements King Street between South Taylor Street and Menokin Drive
- 13. One-way conversion and traffic flow changes

 Duke Street between West Taylor Run Parkway
 and Wheeler Avenue

Information Items:

- 14. Staff Updates
- 15. Commissioner Updates

Approval of the Minutes

Written Updates & Public Hearing Follow-Up

Public Discussion Period

This period is restricted to items NOT listed on the docket

If you would like to speak, please:

- Submit a Public Speaker form (if in person)
- Raise your hand on Zoom (if virtual)

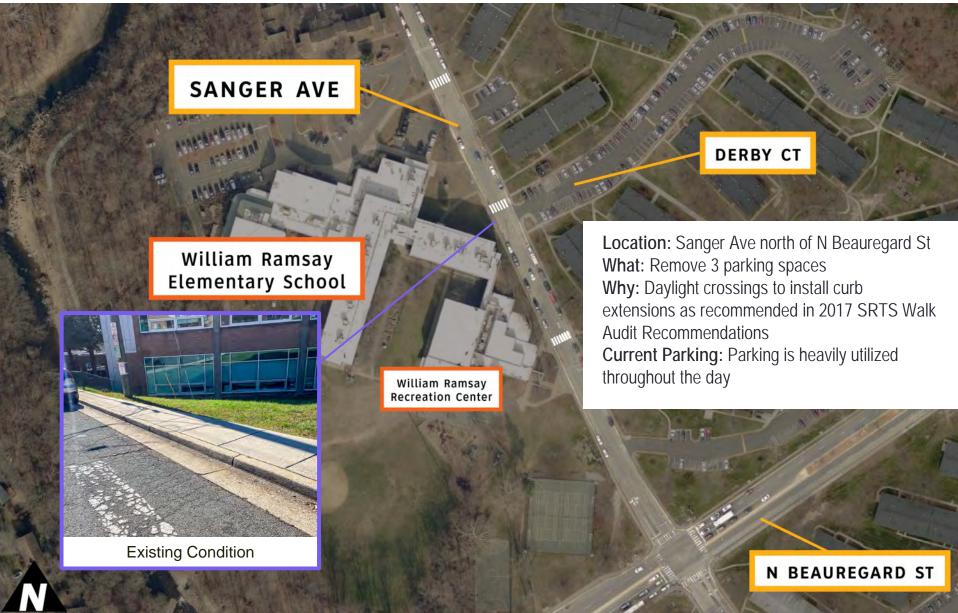
Parking Removal – William Ramsay Safe Routes to School Project

Agenda Item 5

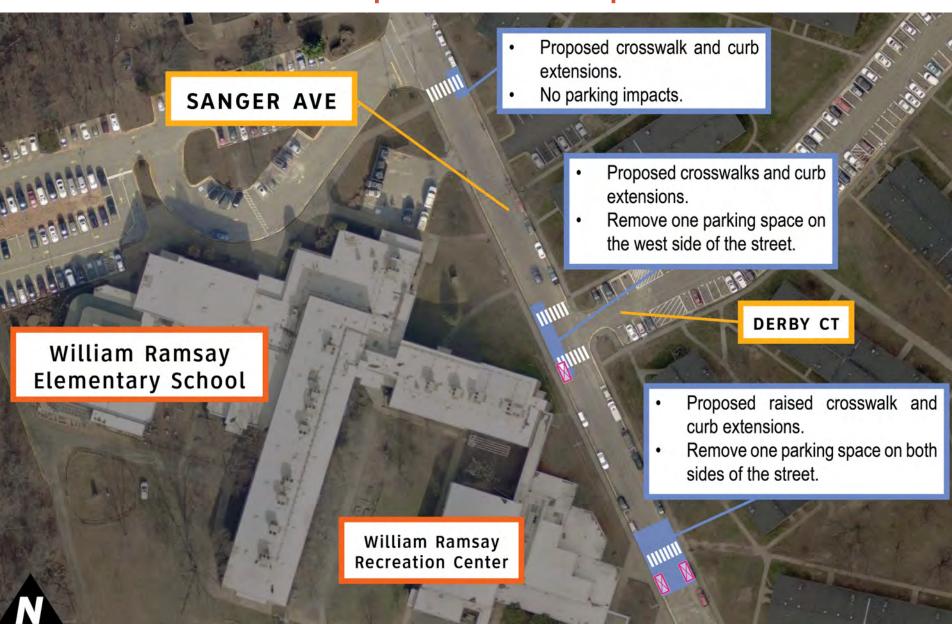
Presenter: Bryan Hayes



Background & Location



Proposed Concept



Outreach

- The City held a public comment period on the parking removal from Friday, May 31 to Friday, June 14.
- Staff attached posters highlighting proposed parking restrictions and announcing comment period to sign posts near crosswalks.
- Staff contacted William Ramsay Elementary School leadership, school Parent Teacher Association, and the property management company of nearby apartments.
- No comments were submitted via email during the comment period.
- One letter of support was received from school leadership at William Ramsay Elementary School.

Recommendation

That the Board recommend the Director of T&ES remove three parking spaces on Sanger Avenue.

Parking Removal - 1800 block of Potomac Greens Drive for a Capital Bikeshare station

Agenda Item 6

Presenter: Sean Martin



Background and Location

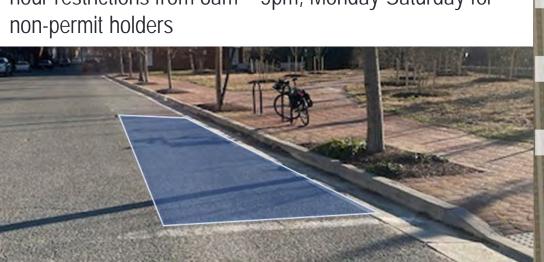
Location: Potomac Greens Drive, between Carpenter Road and Lyles Lane

What: Remove 2 parking spaces

Why: To allow for the installation of a Capital Bikeshare

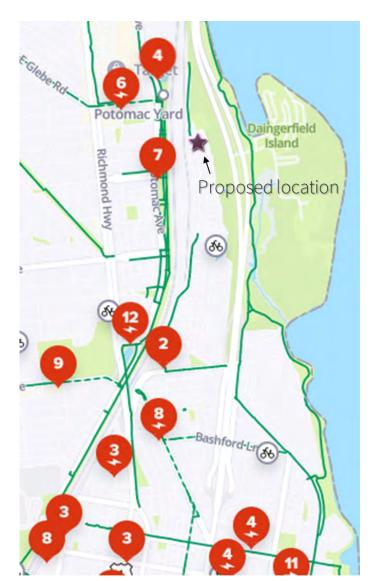
station

Current Parking Restrictions: Approximately 30 spaces on the block within Parking District 14, which have two-hour restrictions from 8am – 5pm, Monday-Saturday for non-permit holders

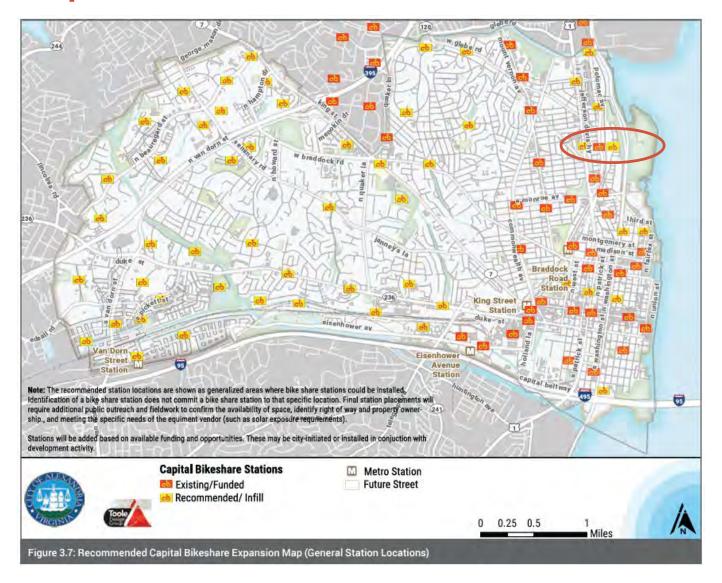




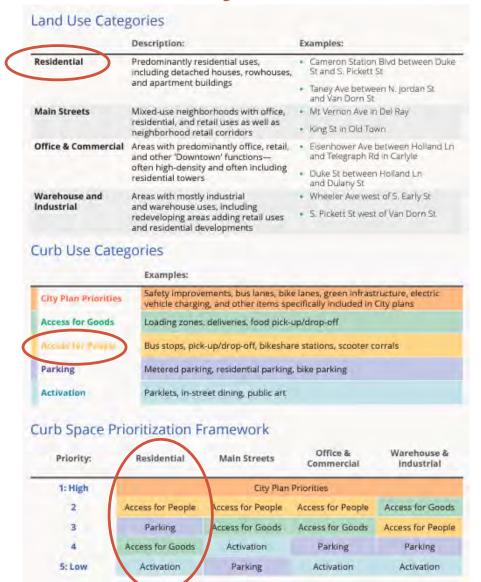
Existing Conditions



Transportation Master Plan



Alexandria Mobility Plan



Alternatives Considered

Alternative 1: On the access road. However, is an emergency vehicle easement and must remain open. Road is geofenced to prevent dockless vehicles from parking here

Alternative 2: In the park behind the gazebo. However, the station install truck cannot safely access this location.

Alternative 3: In the park next to existing sidewalk. However, the sidewalk trees inhibit solar access to power the station.



Outreach

Staff notified the Potomac Greens and Old Town Greens community associations in February of the proposal. To help tailor community presentations, a feedback form to gather thoughts, questions, and concerns regarding the proposed location was provided to each community in April. Staff explored location suggestions from the feedback form.

Staff presented to the Potomac Greens community on April 25 and Old Town Greens Condos on May 14. The Old Town Greens Townhomes community declined an offer to present to the community.

Recommendation

That the Board recommend the Director of T&ES remove two onstreet parking spaces on the 1500 block of Potomac Greens Drive for a Capital Bikeshare Station

Parking Removal - 700 block of Four Mile Road for a Capital Bikeshare station

Agenda Item 7

Presenter: Sean Martin



Background and Location

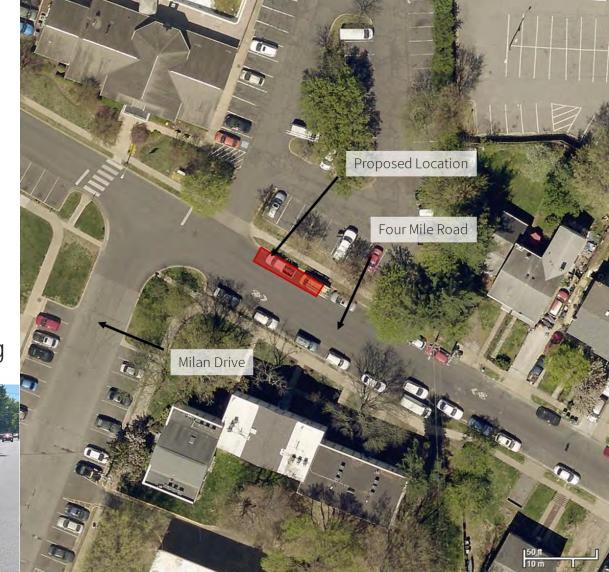
Location: Four Mile Road, between Milan Drive and Notabene Drive

What: Remove 2 parking spaces

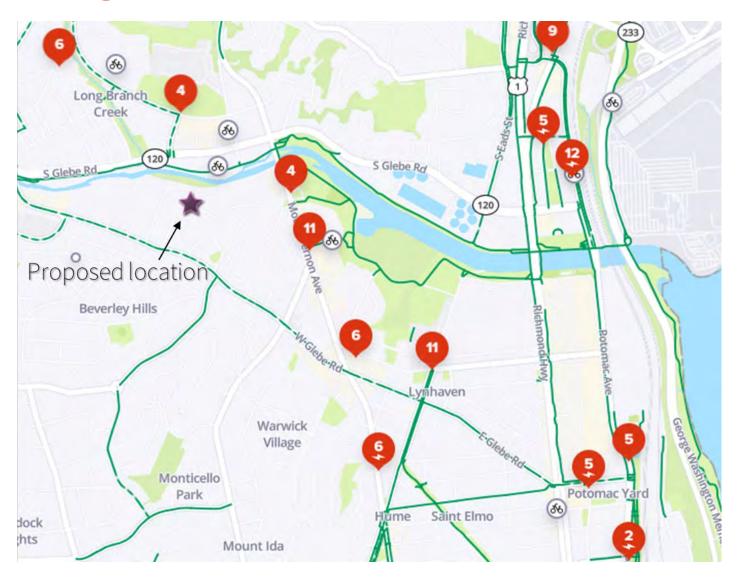
Why: To allow for the installation of a Capital Bikeshare station

Current Parking Restrictions:

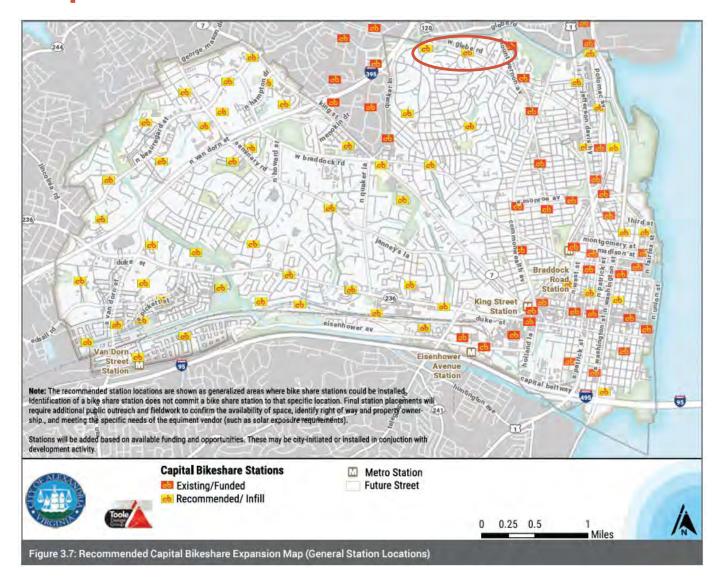
Approximately 30 spaces on the block are unrestricted except from 11am-12pm on Thursdays for street sweeping



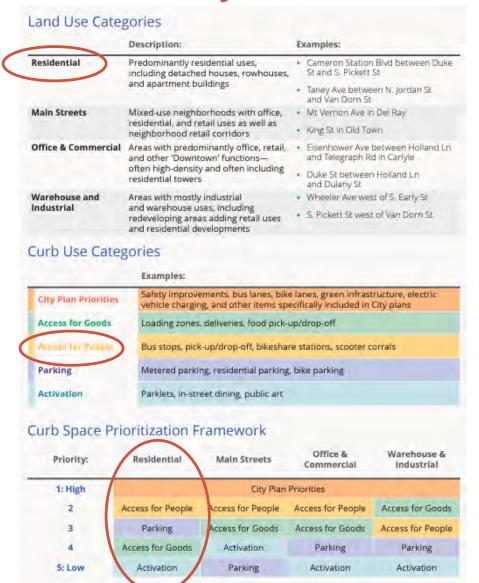
Existing Conditions



Transportation Master Plan



Alexandria Mobility Plan



Outreach

Staff notified Casa Chirilagua, a local non-profit that serves the Arlandria community, on May 24, 2024, and Eaton Square Apartments on May 30, 2024 of the proposal. Neither entity has indicated any concerns with the request.

The Arlandria Civic Association is not active at this time.

Recommendation

That the Board recommend the Director of T&ES remove two onstreet parking spaces on the 700 block of Four Mile Road for a Capital Bikeshare Station

Parking removal – South Hudson Street at Vermont Avenue

Agenda Item 8

Presenter: Max Devilliers



Background



Background





Discussion

- Staff installed 'No Parking Here to Corner' signage on Vermont Avenue without Board approval after receiving the petition because Sections 10-4-41 and 10-4-42 of the City Code prohibit parking within 20 feet of intersecting curb lines and within 15 feet of fire hydrants, respectively
- On South Hudson Street, the 20-foot rule does little to daylight the intersection due to the generous corner radii, the presence of bushes and trees, the topography, and the location of the crosswalk

ON-STREET PARKING MODIFICATION REQUEST FORM



Please fill out the first page of this application and return to max.devilliers@alexandriava.cov or mail to Max Devilliers, Mobility Services, 421 King Street, Suite 235, Alexandria, VA 22314. Staff will contact the Project Champion to further refine proposed solution to address the issue that the applicant is trying to address.

Reason for the Request (What are you try)		
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☐ Loading Zone Removal ☐ Parking Removal ☐ Parking Restriction Change (Non Proposed restrictions	☐ Loading Zone ☐ No Parking Sin-RPP)	
Location: Both sides of NE and	JNW corners of	S Hudson and Vermontale.
Approximate number of spaces affected	(assume 20 feet per space	9: 4
Project Champion (Point of Contact) Info		
Address: 36 S Hudso	n st. Alexand	ria, VA 22304
Email: turcarifer@gu		
Phone Number: (669) 228-	1715	
Best Way to Contact: Best Time of Day to Contact:	Email Morning	☐ Phone ☑ Afternoon
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Outreach

- The petition for parking removal was signed by residents from 21 households situated near to this intersection
- Staff notified the Wakefield-Tarleton Civic Association of this request.
 As of June 21, 2024, staff had not heard back

Recommendation

That the Board recommend the Director of T&ES remove 30 feet of on-street parking on both the east and west sides of South Hudson Street immediately north of Vermont Avenue.

Parking Restrictions Modification – 317-325 North Columbus Street

Agenda Item 9

Presenter: Max Devilliers



Background

- 317-325 North Columbus
 Street are five townhomes
 completed in 2014, replacing
 a former privately-owned
 parking lot
- Being so close to North
 Washington Street and the
 offices that line it, the
 parking in front of 317-325
 North Columbus Street is
 currently restricted to 3
 hours, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.,
 Monday through Saturday
 (permitholders not exempt)



Petition



Petition for Adding, Modifying, or Removing Residential Permit Parking Signage in an Existing District

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Telephone;	703-346-1449	Emai	glenn.hediger@gmail.com
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Outreach

- City staff notified the Old Town Civic Association, West Old Town Citizens Association, and Northeast Citizens Association via email about this request on June 10, 2024
 - The associations did not indicate any concerns with the request as of the posting of this docket

Recommendation

That the Board recommend the Director of T&ES restrict parking to 2 hours from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m., Monday through Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Sundays, District 3 permitholders exempt, for the approximately seven on-street parking spaces along the east side of North Columbus Street immediately south of Princess Street.

Parking Restrictions Modification – 400 block of Pendleton Street

Agenda Item 10

Presenter: Max Devilliers



Background

- Parking currently restricted to 3 hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Five blocks from King Street and Market Square
- Boundary for Districts 2 and 9 runs down the center of Pendleton Street, so
 District 2 permitholders are not exempt from the parking restrictions on the north
 side of the block
- Curb cut, fire hydrant, and recently removed 2 spaces due to rerouting of 34
 DASH bus leaves the south side of the block with 7 on-street parking spaces
- There are 12 Chatham Square townhomes fronting the 400 block of Pendleton, all with two off-street parking spaces. However, the resident has noted that the homes' two-car garages are too small to fit two large vehicles, so many residents with larger vehicles park on the street
- Residents of Chatham Square are limited to obtaining only one Residential Parking Permit per unit
- The block is entirely residential
- The building on the north side of the block has its own parking garage, and its residents are prohibited from obtaining Residential Parking Permits per DSUP2018-00014

Discussion

- Lack of parking availability due to drivers remaining parked for longer than three hours and longer on weeknights and weekends when parking on the block is unrestricted
- Residents of the block requested for parking restrictions to terminate at either 2
 a.m. or 11 p.m., however, staff do not recommend increasing the hours of
 restricted parking on weekdays due to:
 - the absence of late-night businesses nearby
 - the absence of similarly late parking restrictions in the immediate vicinity (to maintain consistency for ease of enforcement)
 - to mitigate additional strain on Parking Enforcement resources
- Of the 16 block faces around the 400 block of Pendleton Street:
 - none have parking restrictions after 5 p.m.
 - none have parking restrictions on Sundays
 - three are completely unrestricted
 - only five have any parking restrictions on Saturdays
 - RPPD 2 permitholders are exempt from parking restrictions on 7 of those block faces

Discussion



South Side of 400 Block of Pendleton Street

Outreach

- Staff notified the Old Town Civic Association and North Old Town Independent Citizens Association (NOTICe) of this petition on June 10, 2024
 - On June 11, Old Town Civic Association responded to staff indicating their support for staff's recommendation
 - Staff did not hear back from NOTICe



Petition for Adding, Modifying, or Removing Residential Permit Parking Signage in an Existing District

Telephone: 703-965	-8333 Email:	SZARKHOSHC6MAS
District: Z		
Proposed Change (Select one)		
☐ Add new signage ☐	Modify existing signage	☐Remove existing signage
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Recommendation

That the Board recommend the Director of T&ES modify the existing residential permit parking restrictions on the south side of the 400 block of Pendleton Street to 2-hour parking, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Saturday, District 2 permitholders exempt.

New Parking Restrictions – 1000 Block of North Fayette Street

Agenda Item 11

Presenter: Max Devilliers



Background

- Hundreds of new apartments and several new ground-floor commercial uses
- Parking restrictions should be consistent with the new timerestricted parking on the east side of the block and other surrounding blocks for ease of enforcement and to avoid long-term vehicle storage in this location
- The block is not located within a Residential Permit Parking District but is close to both Districts 3 and 5
- In close proximity to the Braddock Road Metrorail Station
- The residential buildings in this area have parking for their residents, so it is not intended to serve residents but can provide short-term parking for guests and patrons of the businesses



New On-Street Parking Restrictions (2-hour, 9am-5pm, Mon-Sat)

Outreach

- Staff notified the property manager for the Dalton Apartments (1225 First Street) as well as
 one business owner of the 1000 block of North Fayette Street of this request on June 4,
 2024. Neither party indicated opposition to the request, and staff confirmed that the existing
 Loading and Active Curbside Pickup Only zone would remain intact as is
- Staff notified the Braddock Metro Citizens Coalition and Northeast Citizens Association on June 10, 2024, of this proposal
 - Neither Association responded as of June 21, 2024



Recommendation

That the Board recommend that the Director of T&ES add 2-hour parking restrictions, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, on the west side of the 1000 block of North Fayette Street immediately north of the Loading and Active Curbside Pickup Only zone.

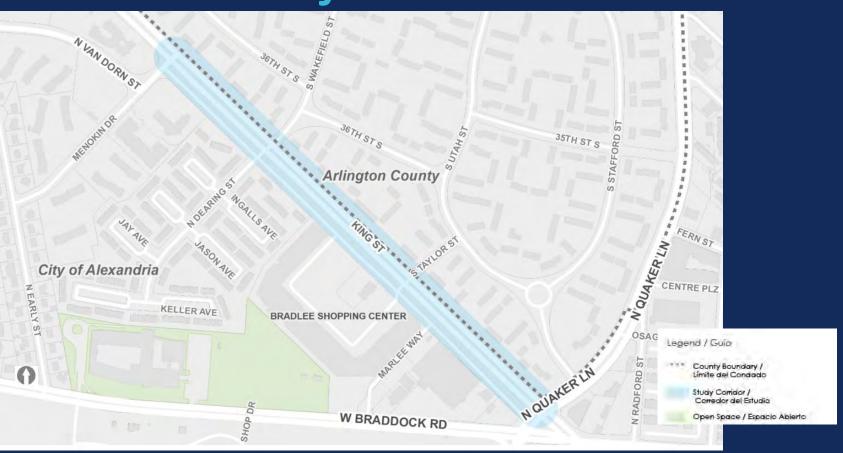
King Street-Bradlee Safety & Mobility Enhancements

Agenda Item 12

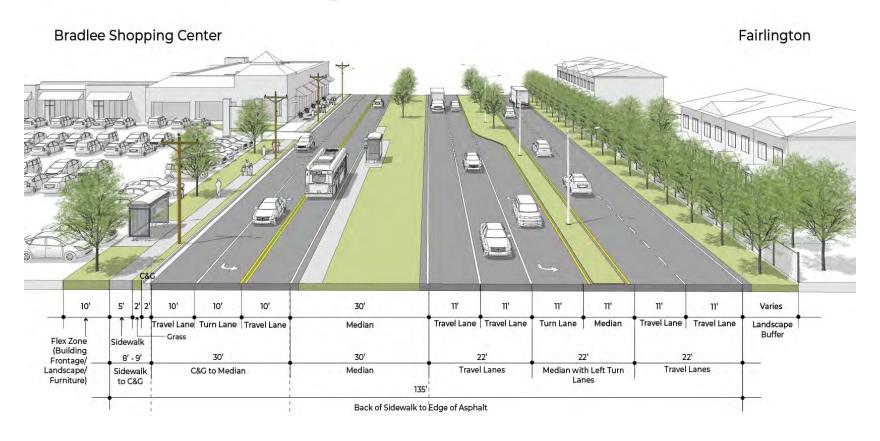
Presenter: Sara Brandt-Vorel



Project Location



Existing Cross-Section



Project Goals

Improve mobility, safety, and access for all roadway users of all ages, abilities and modes of travel.

Install safer pedestrian access and bicycle facilities to connect to surrounding network.

Maintain or enhance existing transit facilities.

Improve existing stormwater treatment.









Project Timeline

We Are HERE



Project Initiation

- Data Gathering
- Staff Analysis

Issue Identification

- Phase 1 Community engagement
- Data Analysis

Concept Development

- Initial Concept Development
- Phase 2 community engagement
- Data Analysis

Concept Refinement

- Phase 3 Community engagement
- Concept Selection
- ID Short-Term Improvements

Preferred Conce_| Approvals

- Public Hearing
- Seekconstructionfunding

Summer 2023

Fall 2023

Winter 2024

Spring 2024

Summer 2024

Community Engagement

2 Feedback Forms

Over 1,000 interactions



Informal Events

Pop-Ups, Community Festival & Bus Stop chats

Hosted 2 Public Meetings

10 Staff Presentations

Meetings with HOA & Civic Associations & Boards & Commissions

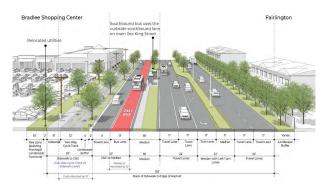
Digital Engagement

Social Media Posts, direct email notifications, website updates

Alternative Concepts



Alternative 1
Two-Way Traffic with Transit



One-Way Traffic & Bus Lane

Alternative 2



Alternative 3

One-Way Shared Traffic



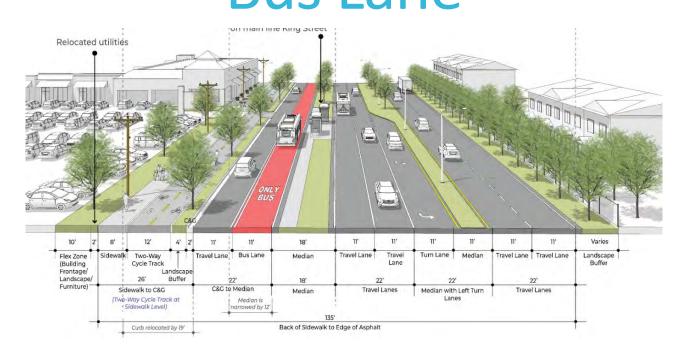
Alternative eliminated based on feedback from public engagement

Preferred Alternative

Scoring

Metric	Alternative 1	Alternative 2	
Traffic Delay	Equal E	Benefit	
Bicycle Facilities	Equal E	Benefit	
Safety	Greater bene Intersections and	fit to simplify reduce crash risk	
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Alternative 2: One-Way Traffic & Bus Lane



Preferred Concept

Alternative 2:One-Way Traffic with Transit and Bus

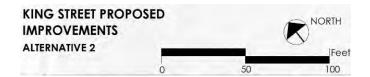


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Alternative 2



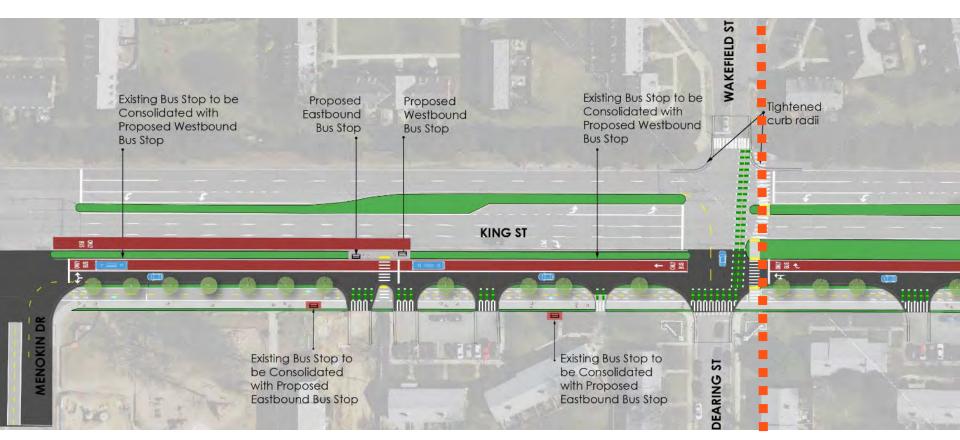


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Alternative 2



Alternatives Analysis



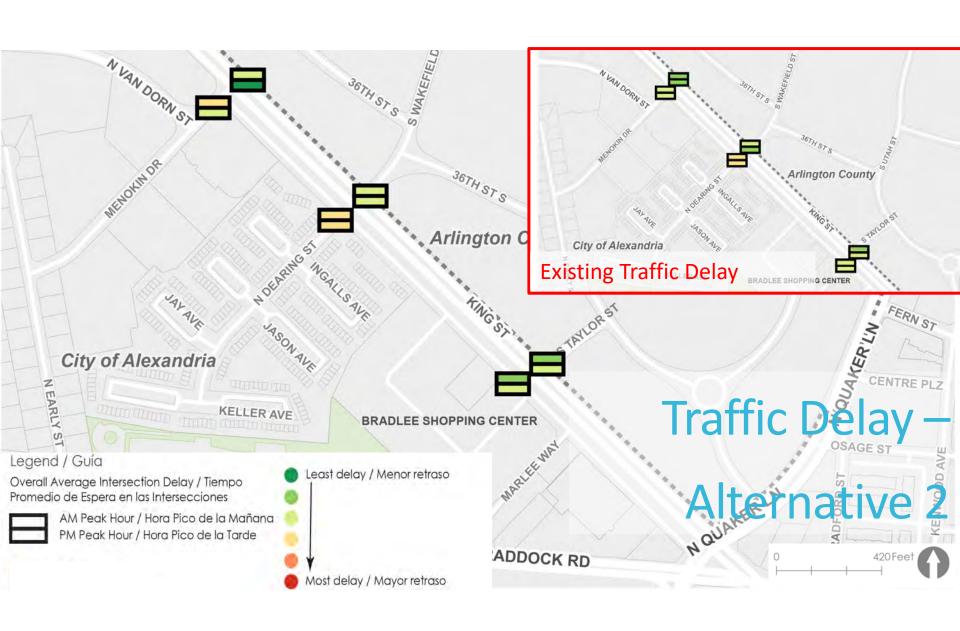
Traffic Delay







Transit





Safety – Crash Reduction Factors



Median Pedestrian Islands



Crosswalk Lighting



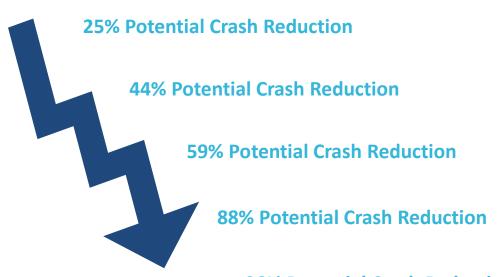
Leading Pedestrian Intervals



Add or Upgrade Sidewalk



New Signal Phasing



96% Potential Crash Reduction

Transit – Bus Reliability

Quality of Life

Existing Conditions





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PM Peak Traffic

Time Savings



3-5 Min per rider, per day

More than <u>17,000</u> hours for all passengers combined (annualized)

Economics



\$736,000 in lost annual wages could be recovered through transit improvements *

Over \$475,000 annual savings for DASH operations

^{*} Assumes average hourly wage of \$42.49 per US Bureau of Labor Statistics for data on Washington MSA, May 2023

Additional Treatments



No Turn on Red Signs



Stormwater Treatment



Signal Timing Adjustments



Transit Signal Priority



Leading Pedestrian Intervals



Pedestrian Refuge Islands



Consolidated & Enhanced Bus Shelters



Pedestrian Lighting



Enhanced
Streetscape with
more tree
canopy cover

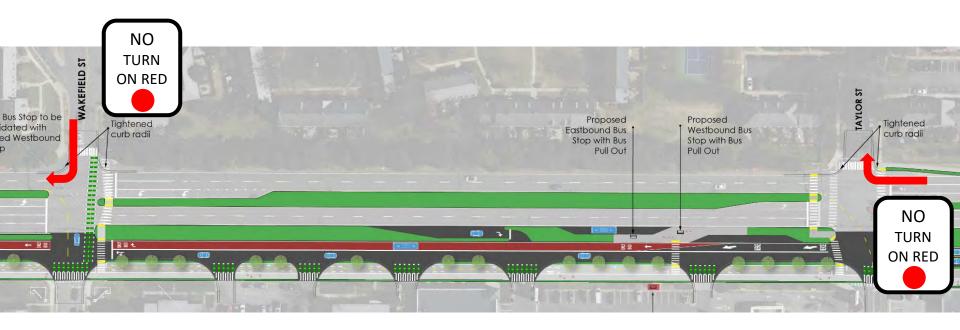


Separated paths for people biking and walking



Dedicated Bicycle Crosswalk Across King Street

No Turn on Red Signs



- Uniform installation of signage in the study area
- Improve pedestrian safety while crossing King Street

Recommendations

That the Board:

- Recommend the City Council convert a portion of the King Street Access Road from two-way to one-way westbound between South Taylor Street and Menokin Drive.
- Recommend the Director of T&ES install two new No Turn on Red restriction at the intersections of King Street and South Taylor Steet and South Wakefield Street.
- Recommend the Director of T&ES install a new stop sign for the relocation of the right turn lane on King Street into the Bradlee Shopping Center.

Duke Street Service Roads

Agenda Item 13

Presenter: Hillary Orr



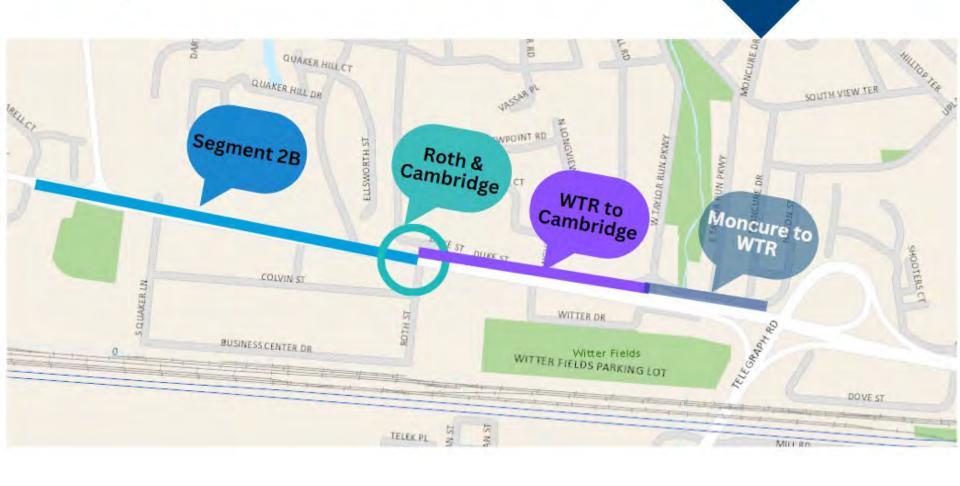
Board Action on Remaining Areas of Interest

WTR to
Cambridge
Service
Road

Cambridge & Roth Intersection

2B or Not 2B

Project Locations

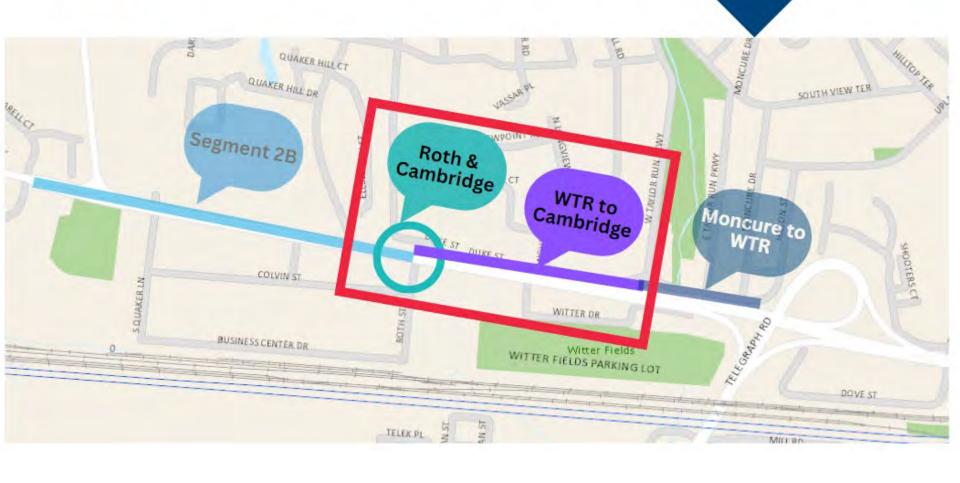


Community Engagement Summary

September 2023- Present

- 3 Civic Association/HOA Meetings
- 1 in-person Community Meeting with 75 attendees
- 400+ responses to online feedback form
- 4 Meetings with Community Leaders
- 3 Written Updates (City Council & Community Newsletters)
- 6 Board & Commission Staff Updates
- 2 City Council Oral Updates
- Numerous phone & email conversations with residents

Project Locations



Cambridge & Roth Intersection

Developed & Received input on 3 options that considered:





Cambridge Road &
Overall
Intersection Level
of service



Service Road Design



Community Input

Over 250 responses to feedback form (85% from neighbrohood)

- Safety was #1 priority
- "The benefit of reducing delay for all approaches at the Cambridge/Roth intersection and keeping Duke Street traffic flowing is worth the tradeoff of having a one-way service road"
 - O disagree to 2 strongly agree (Score 1.85)

Recommendation: Option #3 (The Through-cut)

Safety

- Conflict Points reduce from 41 to 27
- Pedestrian refuge with less conflicting movement
- Minimal conflicts with all modes at service road
- Faster travel on Duke Street reduces cut-through traffic
- · Potential for conflict free crossing of Duke Street



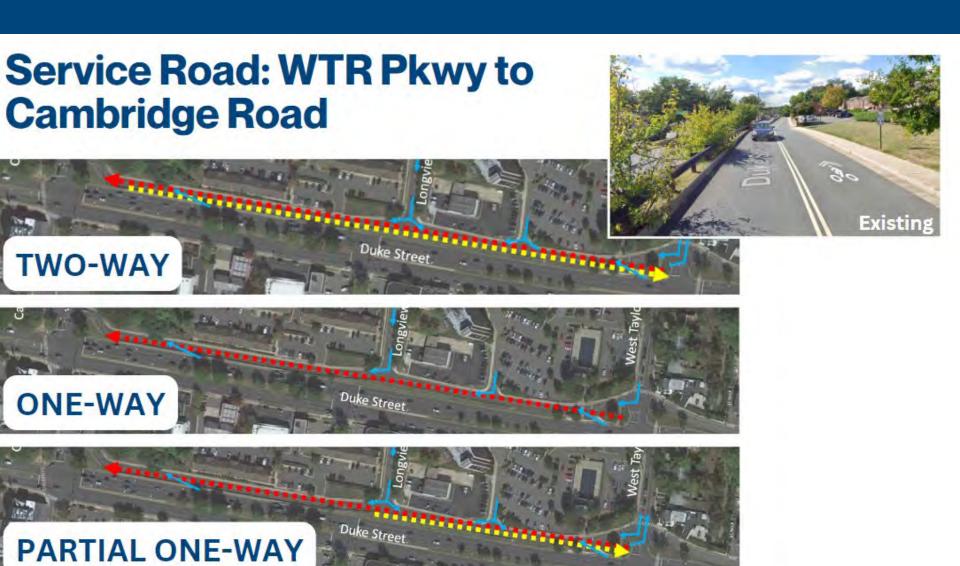
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Increasing travel delays

Traffic Operations Intersection LOS C

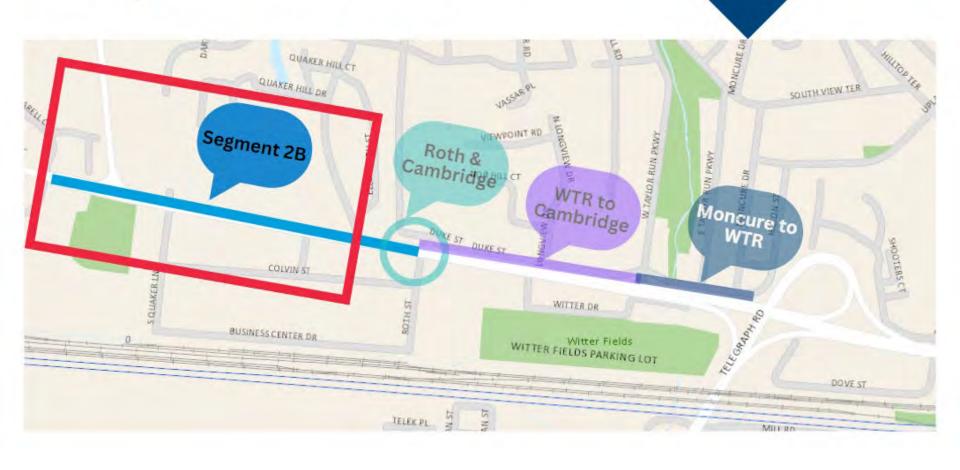
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Cambridge LOS F

Delay: 72s from 195s



Project Locations







Segment 2B - Wheeler to Roth



Segment 2B





Quaker Lane & Duke Street



Recommendations:

That the Board:

- Recommend that City Council approves the conversion of the Duke Street Service Road from West Taylor Run Parking to Cambridge Road from two-way to one-way westbound.
- Recommend that the Director of T&ES reconfigure the intersection of Cambridge Road and Duke Street as part of the Duke Street Transitway project.
- Recommend that the Director of T&ES create a bus and right only lane for eastbound Duke Street at South Quaker Lane.

Information Items

STAFF UPDATES

COMISSIONER UPDATES