

## Minutes of Parkfairfax Transportation and Land Use Committee meeting of 10 January 2019

The Parkfairfax Transportation and Land Use Committee convened its first meeting of 2019 on January 10<sup>th</sup> with a wide range of issues to cover.

The ongoing installation of I-395 Express Lane signage at the merge of N. Quaker Lane into the Shirlington Circle was noted, with the reduced size signage at the Gunston Road entry point to follow. The length of the F2 sound wall along N. Quaker Lane was also determined as a compromise between the two options that were under consideration. The TLUC will continue to monitor all aspects of this project and keep the community informed as appropriate.

The TLUC endorsed a member's specific recommendations for improved lighting throughout Parkfairfax. While priority needs to be placed on hazardous areas such as steps and laundry room access, overall property lighting warrants further enhancement. With Dominion streetlights located on only one side of the street, and the use of porch lights not fully embraced by all residents, there remain significant areas of darkness throughout the community. The TLUC recommends a comprehensive survey to determine where lighting augmentation is needed. The detailed recommendation will be separately communicated.

Parking remains a hot-button issue in many areas of Parkfairfax, pitting neighbor against neighbor. While there are sporadic outbursts of police enforcement on city streets, Parkfairfax-controlled lots and Lanes remain magnets for those seeking refuge. Several years ago, the Board of Directors rejected a proposal for even a simple decal system for Parkfairfax resident leaving no practical means for identifying vehicles parked on our private property, a truly unique "feature" of life in Parkfairfax.

The dockless scooter craze is coming to Parkfairfax, if it hasn't already. The Alexandria 9 month pilot program guidance states that scooters must not be operated on the sidewalk and must be properly parked. It permits property owners to relocate scooters left on private property. With our four Lanes, half of Ravensworth Pl., more than two dozen parking inlets and countless acres of lawn, it won't be long before scooter relocation will be a daily ritual.

The Chair debriefed the TLUC on the most recent Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations (AFCA) meeting presentations on the Alexandria sewer system reconstruction and the future Potomac Yard Metro station.

In deference to Saint Valentine, there will NOT be a TLUC meeting in February. The next meeting will be 14 March at 7PM in the Party Room. Hope to see everyone there. And feel free to recruit a new member or two :-)

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Chair  
Parkfairfax Transportation and  
Land Use Committee