



**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA**  
**Planning & Zoning**  
**Transportation & Environmental Services**

# **City Charter Section 9.06**

## **Case #2024-0004 – Street Closure**

200 block of King Street

Planning Commission | November 2024







# Background

Located within the **Old Town Small Area Plan** and **King Street Retail Strategy**, and near the **Waterfront Small Area Plan**

Section 9.06 of the City's Charter requires that the **Planning Commission** approve any changes to the use of a public street.

Planning Commission is charged with ensuring that any change is **consistent with the City's Master Plan**.







# Pilot Program Dates

▶ **Close - November 22, 2024 -  
January 6, 2025**

▶ ***Reopen – January 6, 2025 –  
March 14, 2025***

▶ **Close - March 14, 2025 –  
September 30, 2025**







# Consistency with Master Plan

## Old Town

- ▶ *Route through traffic away from established residential areas.*
- ▶ *Provide a continuous pedestrian pathway and bikeway along the entire Waterfront.*
- ▶ *Encourage the tourist potential of the historic and architectural aspects of Old Town.*
- ▶ *Visual awareness of the waterfront should be preserved.*

## King Street Retail Strategy

- ▶ *Maintain and enhance the visual elements that terminate the views at the east/west ends of King Street and provide visual boundaries for the street*
- ▶ *Create seating opportunities for pedestrians along the length of King Street*
- ▶ ***Explore options for closing portions of King Street for activities and pedestrian circulation***
- ▶ *Link the waterfront and other areas with existing and potential new trails for biking, walking and recreation to **bring people (not cars) to King Street**, as envisioned in the City's open space planning*

## Waterfront

- ▶ *Increase and improve access to the public spaces of the Waterfront. Pedestrian connectivity along the Waterfront should be continuous.*
- ▶ *Maintain a living, active Waterfront that is a destination that attracts all Alexandrians and visitors and should be integral to the visitor experience in Alexandria.*
- ▶ *Improve the Waterfront's vehicular and pedestrian circulation.*



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Staff recommend the  
Planning Commission finds  
the proposed change to the  
200 block of King Street  
**consistent with Section  
9.06 of the City Charter  
and the City's Master Plan**

