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December 14, 2018

Re: Docket #15: Tier II Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Tax District

Honorable Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson and City of Alexandria Council Members:

As a resident of Potomac Yard, I want to express support for the repeal of the Tier II special tax district.

The additional tax collected from the projected increase in property values of Potomac Yard homes due to their proximity to the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus and Amazon's HQ2, will more than exceed the amount of revenue raised by the Tier II Special Tax District. You will recall as referenced in the City's memorandum from 2011, that the neighborhood of Potomac Greens put forth the same rationale to support their request to be exempted from the Tier II Special Tax District. The current facts and circumstances in Potomac Yard are exactly the same circumstances.

I hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance. If you have any questions, please contact me at tmeinken@hotmail.com.

Sincerely,

Timothy Meinken
711 Annie Rose Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22301

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81-21-21
December 12, 2018

Re: Docket #

Honorable Mayor and City of Alexandria Council Members,

On behalf of the Potomac Yard Civic Association (PYCA), we want to express support for the DSUP related to the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station.

PYCA representatives have been actively involved in the Potomac Yard Metrorail Implementation Group (PYMIG) and thoroughly reviewed all materials, including the environmental assessments within the DSUP.

PYCA remains steadfast in its commitment to ensuring residents of Potomac Yard continue to enjoy a high standard of living and quality of life. The DSUP does not pose any concern or hinderances to the Potomac Yard community, and PYCA therefore strongly encourages Council members to vote to approve the DSUP.

We look forward to the continued development in Potomac yard and to continuing to partner with the council on issues impacting our community.

We appreciate and thank you for your time spent considering this important decision.

Again, PYCA strongly encourages Council members to approve the DSUP related to the Potomac Yard Metrorail Station.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via email at info@potomacyard.org.

Sincerely,

Mila Yochum
President
Potomac Yard Civic Association

Gloria Sitton

From: Elena Hutchison via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 9:10 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163621: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As a resident of Potomac Yard, I am...

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Request Details:

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- Name: Elena Hutchison
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 415-596-7217
- Email: ecaudle@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: As a resident of Potomac Yard, I am writing to express my strong support for the removal of the Tier II Special Tax District. It was unfairly placed on this very small area before there were residents here to protest it - and other neighborhoods in very similar circumstances (like Potomac Greens) were able to become exempted, even though they benefit just as much from the station build.

Some might argue that we agreed to the district when we bought our homes, and we did. But we were not informed at that time that other neighborhoods had later been exempted from the district - putting our homes at a tax disadvantage (and therefore property value disadvantage) to these other very similar homes nearby. I could imagine supporting this tax if all homes benefitting from the metro were also paying it, but as currently written that is not the case.

And then of course there is the fact that the metro station entrance that actually serves the homes in the tax district was deleted, and then that fact hidden from residents by the city, in the summer of 2017. That fact should be the final nail in the coffin for this Tier II tax district. The addition of a ramp is a partial solution. The re-addition of the original south mezzanine would be a much better one. However the final build ends up, for over two years, we have lived under the shadow of this tax and the knowledge (sometimes unknown to us, but known to the city) that despite it, the close metro access we had been promised (and promised to pay for) wasn't actually coming.

This neighborhood welcomes development and transit, and we are thrilled at the work Alexandria has done to bring the VT campus to Oakville triangle. We look forward to moving past the tax district and metro entrance issues, and to our neighborhood serving as a poster child for the kind of mixed-use, walkable, transit-oriented development that Alexandria believes in.

Thank you for your consideration.

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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Gloria Sitton

From: Lazaro Barreiro via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 8:21 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163609: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Please vote to repeal the Potomac...

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Request Details:

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- Name: Lazaro Barreiro
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 3057760113
- Email: laz barr@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Please vote to repeal the Potomac Yard Special District Tax. The tax places an unfair burden on a few property owners while benefiting the entire DMV, not just the residents of Potomac Yard. Further, as noted by various sources, the tax is no longer needed in light of the benefits derived from Amazon and the Virginia Tech campus.

Thank you.

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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From: Corey F via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, December 11, 2018 6:23 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163498: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council No bailouts for the wealthy,...

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

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- Name: Corey F
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 6082173451
- Email: baragwin37@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: No bailouts for the wealthy, please!

Regarding your upcoming vote on whether to eliminate the Tier II tax district in Potomac Yard: This is a tax that will only ever be paid by people who agreed to pay it when they bought their houses. On top of that, the tax only affects residents in one of the richest neighborhoods in our city.

If it ends up being the case that the tax is unnecessary to support the new station, then the tax can always be removed down the road. There is simply no justifiable reason to remove it at this time, and doing so would leave the city with fewer options in the future if the projections are not correct. If you must remove the tax, the council should put in place an automatic trigger for reinstating it in the case that funding projections come up short.

I urge the council not to bend to the demands of one loud, wealthy neighborhood and instead vote with the interests of all Alexandria residents. No bailouts. Keep the tax.

- Expected Response Date: Sunday, December 16

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December 14, 2018

Re: Docket #11 DSUP Potomac Yard Metro Station and
Docket #15: Tier II Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Tax District

Honorable Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson and City of Alexandria Council Members:

On behalf of the Potomac Yard Civic Association (PYCA), we want to express strong support for Potomac Yard Metro Station DSUP and the repeal of the Potomac Yard Tier II Special Tax District.

The additional tax collected from the projected increase in property values of Potomac Yard homes due to their proximity to the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus and Amazon's HQ2, will more than exceed the amount of revenue raised by the Tier II Special Tax District. You will recall as referenced in the City's memorandum from 2011, that the neighborhood of Potomac Greens put forth the same rationale to support their request to be exempted from the Tier II Special Tax District. The current facts and circumstances in Potomac Yard are exactly the same circumstances.

We hope we can count on your support to approve the elimination of the Tier II special tax district and the DSUP for the Potomac Yard Metro Station. PYCA looks forward to continuing to partner with you on issues impacting our community, and we appreciate and thank you for your time spent considering this important decision.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via email at info@potomacyard.org.

Sincerely,

Mila Yochum
President, Potomac Yard Civic Association

Gloria Sitton

From: Brian Walsh via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 14, 2018 7:39 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163735: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To Whom It May Concern:I am...

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Request Details:

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- Name: Brian Walsh
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 2024687122
- Email: brianowalsh@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support for repeal of the ordinance of the Potomac Yard Tier II Special Tax District.

As a resident of Potomac Yard and considering recent developments, as well as the questionable fairness of the initial imposition of this ordinance, it would be prudent for the council to repeal this ordinance as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,
Brian O. Walsh

2205 Main Line Blvd
Alexandria, VA 22301

- Expected Response Date: Wednesday, December 19

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Gloria Sitton

From: Derek Allen via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 9:19 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163730: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council December 13, 2018 Re: Docket...

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

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- Name: Derek Allen
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: (757) 955-0769
- Email: thefourallens@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: December 13, 2018

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I hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance. If you have any questions, please contact me at thefourallens@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Derek Allen and Colleen Glaser-Allen
715 McKenzie Avenue
Alexandria VA 22301

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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Gloria Sitton

From: Wes Snow via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 8:42 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163726: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Honorable Mayor Silberberg,...

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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Request Details:

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- Name: Wes Snow
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 8653846939
- Email: adidasorange28@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Dear Honorable Mayor Silberberg, Mayor-Elect Wilson & Alexandria Council Members,

I appreciate the immediate addressing of the Potomac Yard Special Tax District and support your repeal efforts.

As a resident of the neighborhood, I anticipate property taxes to rise w/ property values and plenty of new business revenue opportunities will occur in the near term.

Please follow thorough on your initial efforts and finalize the repeal of the ordinance.

Sincerely,

Wes Snow
2507 Main Line Blvd

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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From: Jason Williams via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 8:26 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163724: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council December 13, 2018 Re:...

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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- Name: Jason Williams
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 13104692522
- Email: jason.t.williams@mac.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: December 13, 2018

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I hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance. If you have any questions, please contact me at jason.t.williams@mac.com

Sincerely,

Jason Williams
2203 Main Line Blvd.
Alexandria, VA 22301

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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From: Maryam Minick via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 7:14 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163716: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council December 12, 2018 Re:...

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

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- Name: Maryam Minick
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 4042000583
- Email: marastegar12@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: December 12, 2018

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I hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance. If you have any questions, please contact me at marastegar12@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Maryam Minick
1421 Van Valkenburgh Lane
Alexandria, VA
22301

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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From: Jane Kim via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 5:42 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163712: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council December 12, 2018 Re:...

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- Name: Jane Kim
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-980-3321
- Email: jane.r.kim@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: December 12, 2018

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I hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance. If you have any questions, please contact me at jane.r.kim@gmail.com or 703-980-3321.

Sincerely,

Jane Kim
713 Annie Rose Avenue
Alexandria, VA
22301

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From: Justin Windholtz via Call.Click.Connect. <CallClickConnect@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 5:37 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163711: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council December 12, 2018 Re:...

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- Name: Justin Windholtz
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 2025695287
- Email: jtwohiou@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: December 12, 2018

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Sincerely,

Justin Windholtz
713 Annie Rose Avenue
Alexandria, VA
22301

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Gretchyn G. Meinken
711 Annie Rose Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22301

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Honorable Mayor Silberberg
Vice Mayor Wilson
City of Alexandria Council Members

Re: Docket #15
Tier II Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Tax District

Dear Sirs and Madams:

As a resident of Potomac Yard, I want to express my support for the repeal of the Tier II Special Tax District. The real property taxes on the residences in the Potomac Yard neighborhood are projected to increase due to our neighborhood's proximity to the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus and Amazon's HQ2. This increase will result in an increase in revenue that more than exceeds that which you've projected to collect from our neighborhood via the Tier II Special Tax District.

As you will recall, the neighborhood of Potomac Greens put forth the same rationale to support their request to be exempted from the Tier II Special Tax District as referenced in the City's memorandum from 2011. A request that was granted by the City Council. The current facts and circumstances in Potomac Yard are exactly the same circumstances.

Failing to exempt the Potomac Yards neighborhood while others who stand to garner the same or similar benefits from the new metro station would be patently unfair and, frankly, questionable at best.

I sincerely hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance – we, as a portion of your constituents, certainly hope you will extend our neighborhood the same courtesy that you extended to Potomac Greens. If you have any questions, please contact me at gretchyn_gay@hotmail.com or 703.899.4489.

Sincerely,



Gretchyn G. Meinken

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Sincerely,

Tina Birsic
412-915-0653

December 12, 2018

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Sincerely,

Mila Yochum
President
Potomac Yard Civic Association

Gloria Sitton

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Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2018 1:58 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Alexis Lacy; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #163679: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council As a resident of Potomac Yard, I am...

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- Name: Katelin Moomau
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-299-3440
- Email: ktmoomau@rrbmdk.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: As a resident of Potomac Yard, I am writing to express my strong support for the removal of the Tier II Special Tax District. It was unfairly placed on this very small area before there were residents here to protest it - and other neighborhoods in very similar circumstances (like Potomac Greens) were able to become exempted, even though they benefit just as much from the station build, if not more.

Some might argue that we agreed to the district when we bought our homes, and we did. But we were not informed at that time that other neighborhoods had later been exempted from the district - putting our homes at a tax disadvantage (and therefore property value disadvantage) to these other very similar homes nearby. I could imagine supporting this tax if all homes benefitting from the metro were also paying it, but as currently written that is not the case.

Additionally, this neighborhood will see a huge amount of transit and development over the next number of years as Amazon moves in, and it is a benefit to the city and metro area as a whole for this metro station to exist; therefore, it is shouldn't be funded by a small district, when it is going to serve a large number of persons outside this area who will work in this area and spend money on the businesses in this area. Without the metro stop, the business development in this area would not be possible, so it is now more of a business decision, an overall transit necessity for all of the city of Alexandria, more than a "benefit to the neighborhood" to have the metro stop.

This neighborhood welcomes development and transit, and we are thrilled at the work Alexandria has done to bring the VT campus to Oakville triangle. We look forward to moving past the tax district and metro entrance issues, and to our neighborhood serving as a poster child for the kind of mixed-use, walkable, transit-oriented development that Alexandria believes in.

Thank you for your consideration.

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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- Request Description: December 12, 2018

Re: Docket #15: Tier II Potomac Yard Metrorail Station Special Tax District

Honorable Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson and City of Alexandria Council Members:

As a resident of Potomac Yard, I want to express support for the repeal of the Tier II special tax district.

The additional tax collected from the projected increase in property values of Potomac Yard homes due to their proximity to the Virginia Tech Innovation Campus and Amazon's HQ2, will more than exceed the amount of revenue raised by the Tier II Special Tax District. You will recall as referenced in the City's memorandum from 2011, that the neighborhood of Potomac Greens put forth the same rationale to support their request to be exempted from the Tier II Special Tax District. The current facts and circumstances in Potomac Yard are exactly the same circumstances.

I hope you will vote to approve the repeal of the ordinance. If you have any questions, please contact me at kneison@yahoo.com

Sincerely,
Kim Neison

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 18

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