

Jackie Henderson

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From: Patricia Escher
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 10:38 AM
To: Jackie Henderson; Faroll Hamer; Karl Moritz; Dirk Geratz; Matt Melkerson; Faye Dastgheib
Subject: FW: parkings and traffic in Nob Hill court

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From: rezabihamta@comcast.net [mailto:rezabihamta@comcast.net]
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 10:27 AM
To: Patricia Escher
Subject: parkings and traffic in Nob Hill court

Dear Ms. Escher, I have lived in nob hill court for last 9 years and every day and month is getting harder to be at home or work on time due to traffic and parked cars and kids playing in seay Street and nob hill court . the parents are chatting and 3 or 4 years kids playing on the main road drivers are in a rush . sometimes it is very hard for cleaning trucks to get to seay or Nob hill court and the same for fire department. when the time comes there is no choice but to call the tow company for un authorized cars . Thank you for helping the city of Alexandria. Reza Bihamta

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From: jkfrost813@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 8:28 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #40210: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council I, a resident of Nob Hill Court since 19

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

A request was just created using *Call.Click.Connect.* The request ID is 40210.

Request Details:

- Name: John Frost
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-370-4834
- Email: jkfrost813@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description: I, a resident of Nob Hill Court since 1979, am totally opposed to granting AHDC its SUP (#2013-0043) as I understand it contains plans to reduce on-site parking spaces from 68 to 36, a 47% reduction from current standards of the Zoning Ordinance. Please see below my enumerated major reasons why:
 1. Routinely, the tenants do not use the existing parking that have been provided on-site near to capacity. This is a problem because, not only do tenants of Longview Terrace do this, tenants of adjoining complexes, Jan-Mar and Carydale, also use considerable street side parking space on Seay Street and Nob Hill Court.
 2. I suspect tenants of Longview Terrace own/lease multiple vehicles per unit rented. Many households today have need for multiple incomes and need separate vehicles to maintain separate employment. A more dubious reason for there being so many vehicles needing parking space is my suspicion that units support more adult occupants than are registered on the lease or there is a sub rosa form of sub-letting to increase household income thus spreading the rental costs to these unregistered inhabitants.
 3. Existing tenants do not simply own the common/typical vehicles which should fit in parking spaces currently provided by the complex. Many individuals coming out of Longview Terrace get into much larger vehicles, some clearly labeled for commercial use or of the size used for such purposes. They do not appear to be what one would normally commute to and from work in, rather they are the vehicle used in some form of work.
 4. This increased size and number of vehicles presents some on-street parking that breaks current parking restrictions but also finds vehicles parked on the actual corner of Seay and Nob Hill with front and rear ends sticking out considerably farther than if normally parked in a straight parking pattern. This type of parking seriously jeopardizes the access of emergency vehicles responding to distress calls. I am relatively certain that the larger fire fighting vehicles would not be able to access Nob Hill Court properties in the case of a fire.
 5. Lastly, reducing existing unit parking spaces would exacerbate the need of on-street parking further up Nob Hill Court, thus causing an added hardship on the homeowners living there on the cul de sac and competing for the existing parking spaces. We already deal with the filth and trash that obviously is routinely dropped onto the curb lawn spaces or in the street from vehicles parking on the lower portion of Nob Hill. More competition for on-street parking would put that refuse in our yards.

I strongly urge the Council to reject and deny this SUP.

Respectfully,
John K. Frost
- Expected Response Date: Friday, September 27

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From: Akida Rouzi
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 1:59 PM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: FW: SUPs for Longview Terrace Apts and Bishop Ireton HS

Good Afternoon Jackie,

Following is a letter concerning the Longview Terrace Apartment parking reduction SUP.

Also, I believe we have in the past given you printed copies of the staff reports, is this something you still require?

Thanks,

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From: Patricia Escher
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 7:46 AM
To: Nathan Randall; Karl Moritz; Helen McIlvaine; Akida Rouzi; Kendra Jacobs; Dirk Geratz
Cc: Duncan Blair (dblair@landcarroll.com); Carol Jackson (cjackson@housingalexandria.org) (cjackson@housingalexandria.org) (cjackson@housingalexandria.org)
Subject: FW: SUPs for Longview Terrace Apts and Bishop Ireton HS

Ms. Guttman

Thank you for expressing your concerns, this information will be forwarded onto the City Council, the applicant and the appropriate City staff. I am not familiar with the Bishop Ireton application and have forwarded your concerns on to another staff member.

I am the staff person working on the Longview Terrace application and would like to make a point of clarification with respect to the special use permit. While the application indicates it is a request for a parking reduction, it is really acknowledging the existing number of parking spaces that are on site today. There is no further reduction in those existing parking spaces currently on-site. The Longview apartments were constructed prior to the City adopting parking requirements and are "grandfathered" as they do not meet the City's current requirements. The applicant is planning to do some renovations to the this property and as such the apartments would be required by the City's Zoning Ordinance to meet the City's current standards, which physically cannot be accommodated on site. Within the City's Zoning Ordinance there is a section that grants relief to affordable housing units which rent to persons making 60% of the average median income. The applicant has entered into an agreement with the City that will ensure this property will remain affordable for this demographic population.

The file was heard by the Planning Commission on September 3rd and the Commission added a condition that the applicant/property owner is to communicate to the new and existing residents on a regular basis that they should use the on-site parking spaces when they are available. This application will be going to City Council on September 21 and you are welcome to attend this meeting and discuss you concerns with the Council members. As this is a special use permit, it will be reviewed by City staff on an annual basis to ensure compliance with their conditions of approval.

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From: betty guttmann [<mailto:bguttmann19@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Sunday, September 08, 2013 5:01 PM
To: Patricia Escher
Subject: SUPs for Longview Terrace Apts and Bishop Ireton HS

Ms. Escher:

Two issues have come to my attention that I am interested in addressing: Special Use Permits (SUP) from Longview Terrace relative to their request for a reduction in parking; and the request by Bishop Ireton for non-school use of their auditorium.

1. LONGVIEW:

It would appear that the reduction in parking per the SUP request would mean that MORE cars from residents of the two apartments will end up parking in front of my house and leaving their garbage on the curb and in the street..such items as beer cans, beer bottles and condoms - just to name a few. The street is already packed with cars and often items improperly parked, .i.e., sticking out and impeding passage of other cars. I might add this also presents a grave hazard in the event a fire truck or snow plow or other emergency truck had to get up to Nob Hill.

2. Bishop Ireton High School (BIHS) :

I (and I am sure a good number of other people as well) already have traffic problems with BI now. During the week I must fight the school traffic on a daily basis. I might add going past BI is the only way I have to get out and go anywhere without getting on Duke street. I often have to sit throught 5-6 iterations of the light before i can "cross over" at the stop sign at the base of the hill

where the light is just to cross over to go up the hill to get on the Duke access road in order to get to my home on Nob Hill Court. The traffic coming out of BI is often horrendous and time consuming not to mention the rude and law breaking driving i witness on a frequent basis. (I have had a number of scary near misses with people who are racing out of the parking lot without stopping at the stop sign.) To allow events at BI would only add to the already awful traffic we deal with now on a daily basis. I think the tax paying citizens deserve a break from their traffic inducing activities. I think the local residents deserve some quality of life time out from this near constant barrage of traffic.

I might add that this heavy traffic lasts as late as 6:30-7:00 pm when I am coming home from the gym..again I often have to sit through 5-6 light sequences.

What I have presented is merely an overview of the problems I foresee if these SUPs are granted. If you wish for me to provide more information to you I would be more than happy to do so.

I can be reached at:

Betty Guttmann

2933 Nob Hill Court

Alexandria, VA 22314

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Jackie Henderson

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From: bguttmann19@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 9:52 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Community Relations
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #40223: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council Honorable Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor S

Dear *Call.Click.Connect.* User

A request was just created using *Call.Click.Connect.* The request ID is 40223.

Request Details:

- Name: Elizabeth Guttman
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703-370-4834
- Email: bguttmann19@yahoo.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor City Council
- Request Description:

Honorable Mayor Euille, Vice Mayor Silberberg and Members of the City Council:

An issue has come to my attention that I am interested in addressing: Special Use Permit (SUP) from Longview Terrace relative to their request for a reduction in parking.

I am a long time resident of Alexandria - since 1974 -and live on Nob Hill Court (since 1979) which is up the street from the Longview Terrace Apartments.

It would appear that the reduction in parking per the SUP request would mean that MORE cars from residents of the apartment will end up parking in front of my house(and others on the cul de sac) and leaving their garbage on the curb and in the street..such items as beer cans, beer bottles and condoms - just to name a few. The street is already packed with cars and often times improperly parked, i.e., sticking out and impeding passage of other cars. I might add this also presents a grave hazard in the event a fire truck or snow plow or other emergency truck had to get up to Nob Hill Court. This is a safety issue of great concern to all of us on Nob Hill Court.

Should this SUP be granted I would then ask that perhaps some kind of restricted parking measure or measures be put in place in order to help preserve the residential quality of Nob Hill Ct.

What I have presented is merely a very brief overview of the problems we have experienced and what I foresee to continue if this SUP is granted.

I would be more than happy to answer any questions or provide further information if you need it.

I can be reached at:

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- Expected Response Date: Friday, September 27

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Patricia Escher

From: Patricia Escher
Sent: Saturday, September 21, 2013 8:57 AM
To: Jackie Henderson
Subject: FW: Nob Hill Court Concerns - Memo to Council

Jackie
Please forward to Council – I will make paper copies for you – docket item 11 - thanks

Subject: Nob Hill Court Concerns

Good Afternoon Chief,

As requested I went out to Seay Street and Nob Hill Court to address Ms. Bihamta's concern. I arrived in the area about 15:45 and remained until about 16:30. During my time in the area I noted no significant pedestrian traffic nor did I witness any obstruction in the roadway that would have hampered Fire Department access.

Seay Street allows parking on both sides of the street, however, this provides clearances which would allow for any of our equipment with little effort. Nob Hill Court is a cul-de-sac and, during my time in the area, no pedestrian traffic was noted. Each home appears to have a driveway and the roadway was clear for emergency vehicle access.

I have attached pictures of the area to allow a visual reference for you. IMG 0053 is a view from the cul-de-sac looking down Nob Hill Court. IMG 0054 is a view of the turn in Nob Hill Court with a vantage point in IMG 0055 of the same hill from Seay Street. And finally IMG 0056 is a view of Seay Street from Longview noting the parking allowed on both sides of the street.

I also looked at any concern that may be raised with regard to access to Seay Street off of Longview from the Duke street access. This also does not appear to be an issue as parking on Longview is limited to a small area on the East side of the street. The West side is posted as no parking allowing for clear access.

I cannot speak to the conditions in the early mornings with regard to school aged children and other issues, however, on a sunny Friday afternoon I see no concerns for the fire department and access.

Richard J. Krimmer II

Deputy Fire Marshal III

Alexandria Fire Department

Fire Prevention and Life Safety Section

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SPEAKER'S FORM

DOCKET ITEM NO. 11 - 12 - 13

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND GIVE IT TO THE CITY CLERK
BEFORE YOU SPEAK ON A DOCKET ITEM

PLEASE ANNOUNCE THE INFORMATION SPECIFIED BELOW PRIOR TO SPEAKING.

1. NAME: DUNCAN BLAIR
2. ADDRESS: 524 10th St Alexandria Va
TELEPHONE NO. 703 836-7000 E-MAIL ADDRESS: dstan20land@clerk.com

3. WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT, IF OTHER THAN YOURSELF? AHC

4. WHAT IS YOUR POSITION ON THE ITEM?
FOR: AGAINST: OTHER:

5. NATURE OF YOUR INTEREST IN ITEM (PROPERTY OWNER, ATTORNEY, LOBBYIST, CIVIC INTEREST, ETC.): attorney

6. ARE YOU RECEIVING COMPENSATION FOR THIS APPEARANCE BEFORE COUNCIL?
YES NO

This form shall be kept as a part of the permanent record in those instances where financial interest or compensation is indicated by the speaker.

A maximum of three minutes will be allowed for your presentation, except that one officer or other designated member speaking on behalf of each *bona fide* neighborhood civic association or unit owners' association desiring to be heard on a docket item shall be allowed five minutes. In order to obtain five minutes, you must identify yourself as a designated speaker, and identify the neighborhood civic association or unit owners' association you represent, at the start of your presentation. If you have a prepared statement, please leave a copy with the Clerk.

Additional time not to exceed 15 minutes may be obtained with the consent of the majority of the council present; provided notice requesting additional time with reasons stated is filed with the City Clerk in writing before 5:00 p.m. of the day preceding the meeting.

The public normally may speak on docket items only at public hearing meetings, and not at regular legislative meetings. Public hearing meetings are usually held on the Saturday following the second Tuesday in each month; regular legislative meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays in each month. The rule with respect to when a person may speak to a docket item at a legislative meeting can be waived by a majority vote of council members present but such a waiver is not normal practice. When a speaker is recognized, the rules of procedures for speakers at public hearing meetings shall apply. If an item is docketed *for public hearing* at a regular legislative meeting, the public may speak to that item, and the rules of procedures for speakers at public hearing meetings shall apply.

In addition, the public may speak on matters which are not on the docket during the Public Discussion Period at public hearing meetings. The mayor may grant permission to a person, who is unable to participate in public discussion at a public hearing meeting for medical, religious, family emergency or other similarly substantial reasons, to speak at a regular legislative meeting. When such permission is granted, the rules of procedures for public discussion at public hearing meetings shall apply.

Guidelines for the Public Discussion Period

(a) All speaker request forms for the public discussion period must be submitted by the time the item is called by the city clerk.

(b) No speaker will be allowed more than three minutes; except that one officer or other designated member speaking on behalf of each *bona fide* neighborhood civic association or unit owners' association desiring to be heard during the public discussion period shall be allowed five minutes. In order to obtain five minutes, you must identify yourself as a designated speaker, and identify the neighborhood civic association or unit owners' association you represent, at the start of your presentation.