

**Alexandria City Council Public Hearing**  
**Saturday, September 15, 2012**

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Docket Item #9 – DSUP re 4700 Eisenhower Avenue  
Comments of Donald N. Buch (dnbuch@hotmail.com)

I believe that your package includes a variety of questions I had about this project prior to last week's Planning Commission meeting. Pat Escher was kind enough to address the bulk of them before the meeting but I do have a lingering concern that may or may not be of material consequence.

The number of vehicle trips to and from this property has been projected based upon standards apparently established by "The Institute of Transportation Engineers". It is certainly unclear how or why they would have "standards" specifically relating to this type of facility in this type of location. Be that as it may, the projected number is 228 vehicle trips per day which, I would suggest defies logic.

There are 50 people working here, at a minimum coming and going to work each day which makes for 100 trips. If the 10 service bays doing only very simple servicing handle a car every 30 minutes over the course of an 11 hour work day (7:00 am – 6:00 pm), that is 220 vehicles coming and going, or another 440 trips. So now we are at 540 before giving any consideration to the inventory flowing back and forth to the airport, which implicitly prompts the need for 390 parking spaces on site.

These vehicle movements are suggested to have minimal impact on Alexandria traffic because the facility is right next to a beltway entrance/exit. However, the beltway would not appear to be a logical route to get from Eisenhower Avenue to the airport. The vehicles in question will logically drive through the center of Alexandria coming from and going to the airport. We don't know what time(s) of day that would most likely happen. Many individual vehicles will apparently be moved on vehicle transporter trucks (8 vehicles per truck?) but, given their size, the route they will use becomes of even greater importance.

Perhaps the number of vehicle movements could never be so large as to impact traffic in Alexandria. But I believe we ought to know and understand that before you make any decision based upon the 228 vehicle trip per day number which appears to be grossly underestimated.

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