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Gloria Sitton

From: website <webmaster@alexandriava.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2015 2:01 PM
To: Jackie Henderson; Gloria Sitton
Subject: City Council speaker's form submission received

Meeting Date: 12/12/2015
Docket Item# 144723

Speaker's Name: Che
Phone #: 202-294-6915
Email: che@dmvfta.org
Address: Ruddell-Tabisola

Representing self? Yes
If representing other:

Position on the item: For

Nature of interest: Industry representative

Are you being compensated? Yes

Gloria Sitton

From: kpappva@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 9:54 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85712: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Food Truck Regulations I recommend e

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Request Details:

- Name: Kathryn Papp
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: No Phone
- Email: kpappva@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Food Truck Regulations

I recommend establishing an Advisory Group to evaluate the potential impact of Staff recommendation number 3: "selling prepackaged goods" using "brief stops on the street" P. 3 number 3.

In essence this constitutes roaming.

In addition, prepackaged goods can be anything wrapped, bagged, or bundled without prior customer request. This conflicts with the current definitions of food (goods?) type and preparation.

Importantly, the Vendor Permit is an umbrella mechanism that insures that cross-departmental requirements have all been met. It is the only device that brings together departments, permits and fees.

If the \$250 was predicated on a larger vending territory, then the small vending territory, which has always existed, suggests a smaller fee, not no fee. Since the Vendor permit will not be eliminated, the administrative fees remain.

Finally, as the staff has said the survey is neither representative nor random - but self-selected - it constitutes a petition. Does it fall within rules of petitioning for amendments to ordinances? Otherwise, it is a poor device for determining expansion policy.

This program remains confusing and would benefit from a short term comprehensive review. The addition of "roaming" and prepackaged goods are game changers.

- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 15

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Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 4:14 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85764: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council I live at Carlyle City area and urge the

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- Name: **Call.Click.Connect.** Customer
 - Approximate Address: No Address Specified
 - Phone Number: No Phone
 - Email: No Email
 - Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
 - Request Description: I live at Carlyle City area and urge the City Council to not allow on-street vending for food trucks in the Carlyle Community.
 - Food trucks in Carlyle will have a negative impact on our existing storefront restaurants that continue to struggle.
 - Adding food trucks in Carlyle would not bring in new customers from outside of Carlyle, but instead, divert existing customers from our storefront eateries threatening their economic viability. Parking is a HUGE problem in the area. Cars are constantly parking in driveways and by fire hydrants already. Food trucks would exacerbate this issue
 - Our Carlyle restaurants are a reliable presence every day, no matter what.
 - Parking is a challenge in Carlyle even now and food trucks would take up valuable parking spaces, create security concerns and be an eyesore too.
 - Our current restaurants contributes to the vitality of our neighborhood, are active participants in the Carlyle Community and support our community events while food trucks do not.
 - The LARGE amount of empty 1st floor space visible in Carlyle raises concerns how operating food trucks in the Carlyle Community could help fill Carlyle's vacant retail space.
 - Even though the pilot project is expiring, there is no reason, especially during the holiday season, to rush forward with the proposed ordinance.
 - There are a number of substantive unresolved issues that still need careful consideration before this important policy matter should be voted on.
 - Please keep Carlyle food truck free!
- Thank you- Julie Hall
428 John Carlyle St, Alexandria
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 15

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From: fcole@shrm.org
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 4:54 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85769: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council The food truck issue is of considerable

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Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

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Request Details:

- Name: Frank Cole
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7033472771
- Email: fcole@shrm.org
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: The food truck issue is of considerable importance to many companies represented by the Eisenhower Partnership. We repeat our position that the food trucks are best when located in areas sparsely covered by restaurants. This does not include the Carlyle area and the eastern Eisenhower area, but certainly does include other areas on Eisenhower. We also support food trucks on special days. Please take into consideration the importance of vibrant daily brick and mortar restaurants when discussing this matter.
- Attachment: [eisenhower partnership food truck resolution.pdf](#)
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 15

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Food Truck Policy Position

The Eisenhower Partnership Board of Directors voted to recommend to City officials and the Food Truck Advisory Group the following position on the feasibility of food trucks operating in Alexandria.

Eisenhower Partnership Position: Food truck operations in the City of Alexandria should be limited to those neighborhoods that have low retail vacancy rates and an absence of food establishments. In addition, food trucks could be permitted to operate for certain special events such as sporting or entertainment or for food truck rodeos.

The Eisenhower Partnership (EP) members are property owners, developers, businesses – large and small -- and residents along the 4.5 mile-long corridor to the north and south of Eisenhower Avenue, between Holland Lane and the western boundary of the City of Alexandria. The EP was formed almost twenty years ago to promote development and redevelopment of Eisenhower Valley. Since then, the Eisenhower East area has seen intensive development and the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan is about to commence to guide redevelopment and transportation for the western half of Eisenhower Valley.

Carlyle is within the EP boundaries and the EP supports the position of Carlyle Community Council against food truck operations in the Carlyle area. Other Eisenhower Valley areas, including Hoffman Town Center that has a number of restaurants, would not be suitable for food trucks. That being said, there are some locations in Eisenhower Valley where food trucks could be a positive addition. For example, the Victory Center is a feasible site for a food truck rodeo since it has a large capacity parking lot that could accommodate a fleet of food trucks and parking for customers. Cameron Run Regional Park is another possible location.

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From: jgregor@carlylecouncil.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 5:29 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85772: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Re:docket item #34 for the 12/8/15 CC me

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Request Details:

- Name: Janet Gregor
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 571-551-6048
- Email: jgregor@carlylecouncil.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Re:docket item #34 for the 12/8/15 CC meeting:
Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Council Members, The Carlyle Community Council, representing property owners in Carlyle, is still opposed to food trucks vending on streets inside of Carlyle everyday. If adopted as is, the proposed food truck ordinance on the docket for 1st reading tonight would allow on street vending anywhere in Alexandria. Carlyle's retail vacancy rate is above 25% and our storefront eateries are still struggling. Siphoning lunch customers will make for a less robust retail market and runs counter to the mission of the City's Carlyle Vitality initiative that is ramping up to help fill Carlyle's vacant space. Saturday's public hearing will be the first opportunity this year to hear input from stakeholders, but we ask that it not be the last chance for public input. Attached is Carlyle Council's resolution. Thank you for your consideration.
Janet Gregor, Carlyle Council
- Attachment: [CCC Food Truck resolution.pdf](#)
- Expected Response Date: Tuesday, December 15

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From: Yon Lambert
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2015 2:49 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: RE: Call.Click.Connect. #85766: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To: The Mayor and members of City Council

Thanks for sending this, by the way!

From: Gloria Sitton
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 10:22 PM
To: Yon Lambert
Subject: Fwd: Call.Click.Connect. #85766: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To: The Mayor and members of City Council

Begin forwarded message:

From: <yvonneweightcallahan@gmail.com>
Date: December 8, 2015 at 4:31:39 PM EST
To: <CityCouncil@alexandriava.gov>, <CityCouncilAides@alexandriava.gov>, <jackie.henderson@alexandriava.gov>, <callclickconnect@alexandriava.gov>, <Gloria.Sitton@alexandriava.gov>
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85766: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To: The Mayor and members of City Council

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Request Details:

- Name: Yvonne Callahan
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 7035351505
- Email: yvonneweightcallahan@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To: The Mayor and members of City Council:

Date: December 8, 2015

Re: Old Town Area Parking Study Report

From: Yvonne Weight Callahan, Danielle Romanetti, Elizabeth Todd, Aimee Houghton, Bert Ely

This memorandum is endorsed by the foregoing list of individuals, all of whom served on the most recent OTAPS work study group.

It is our collective opinion that, while many of the observations and recommendations of the report from OTAPS as prepared by staff are correct, we are concerned that in a number of areas of concern, the views of staff have overtaken and supplemented the

opinions and positions of the citizens who served on this work group.

It must be stressed that the goals as defined by staff were indeed the stated goals of the 2015 Work Group identified the following goals for improving parking management in the study area, as stated:

- Encourage short-term visitors to park in metered areas rather than residential blocks.
- Encourage long-term visitors to use transit and park in off-street garages and surface lots.
- Preserve parking on residential blocks for residents and guests.
- Encourage compliance at meters and in residential parking districts.

That said, certain recommendations as set forth in the staff report did not reflect the consensus of the work group itself, and without question did not demonstrate any support whatsoever from the public at large.

Foremost in this category is the following statement in the report of staff to Council, as quoted below:

The second immediate action that could begin this winter is the implementation of a pilot program for adding pay-by-phone payment requirement for residential blocks, following public engagement with the residents of the proposed blocks. The pay by phone payment requirement would not apply to residents of the district where that block is located nor would it apply to those resident's guests. Potential blocks for a pilot program would likely be immediately adjacent to metered areas where on-street parking occupancy exceeds 85 percent during peak parking hours. Because a city code modification would be needed, this item would require a public hearing before the Traffic and Parking Board and City Council approval.

There is no question that the use of Pango for parking in residential areas was discussed by the Work Group as a whole. In fact, it was discussed vigorously. In that discussion—which occurred throughout several meetings--- there was a growing belief that some, though not all, of the opposition to Pango was lack of knowledge of its use as a parking tool that might, perhaps, ease the parking problems in residential areas. However, at all times, the implementation of Pango was generally treated by the work group members as a possible future tool, to be initiated and administered in a fashion similar to the current residential parking permit districts; i.e. by petition of the residents themselves, followed by hearings before the Traffic and Parking Board and City Council. Not one citizen spoke in favor of the use of Pango in residential streets at this point in time.

However, in the report now before you, staff has proposed “a pay-by-phone payment requirement for residential blocks, following public engagement with the residents of the proposed blocks” which is a far cry from implementation of a Pango parking plan as initiated by the residents themselves and was never the recommendation of the work group. Indeed, while many work group members conceded that the current creation of new or modified parking permit districts was a bit “messy”, they were citizen driven—and-- by and large worked.

Furthermore, while there might be some agreement that Pango might become a parking enforcement tool in residential neighborhoods in the future that would not be the case until the enforcement tools were in place to ensure that the parking regulations were being followed.

Finally, there were no discussions whatsoever which gave any guidance as to signage of Pango in the residential areas of the Old and Historic District.

A second area of concern that we wish to raise is the recommendation by staff that fees be raised for residents who have more than two cars and thus purchase multiple

residential parking permits.

This issue was raised time and again by staff, and each time it was raised the same point was made: this proposal might at best eliminate only 6 or 7 cars from each parking district. Furthermore, the actual number of “over two” permits has been steadily decreasing over the past several years anyway. A number of citizens who attended the work group meetings and stated their opposition to this proposal stressed that it placed a particular hardship on young families with full time child care providers and residents of Old Town with college age children.

At no time was a vote taken on this issue, though it was discussed at length.

There is a certain irony—bordering on hypocrisy—when one considers the use of the public streets in and around City Hall by city staff.

After a fair amount of prodding, staff acknowledged that the parking lot used by City Employees on Oronoco Street between North St. Asaph and North Pitt Street was closed a few months ago, with no alternative provisions for relocating all of those vehicles. Some are now renting space at the City Hall garage, but many are parking on public streets and moving their cars once or twice a day to avoid ticketing.

Hence the double standard: “We don’t want residents to have more than two cars, but we also don’t care to provide parking for our employees who are thus forced to use those same spaces”.

The City does not need to impose an onerous burden on the diminishing number of households who have more than two cars. The City does need to do more to address the issue of its own employee parking arrangements.

In summary, there is much that is commendable in the report now before you, but we must nevertheless challenge the conclusions of staff that do not reflect either the consensus of the work group nor any open votes taken. We therefore take specific exception to the recommendations concerning Pango and the recommendations concerning multiple car owners in the Old and Historic District. Neither program is beneficial to the residents of this area at this time.

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85926: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council To Mayor and councils of the city of Ale

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Request Details:

- Name: Hee Lee
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 5713346835
- Email: koma7412@hotmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: To Mayor and councils of the city of Alexandria
I operate Subway restaurants since 1999 and currently have 4 location in the city.
Lately, it came to my attention with deepest concerns regard to permit food trucks inside the city's proximity.
Here are a few of my thoughts.
1. there are numerous incident of food trucks violating temporary permission already. if you permit them with freely on city streets, i have concerns on great public safety issues. Photo attached a trucks parked next to the fire hydrant.
2. trash removal. and sewage issues. none of food truck provide any trash cans nor waste can. they dump the waste in public storm drain and sewage. public health issues as well as tax payer's money to provide trash removal on streets. attached photo from trash cans over flow next to the food truck events.
3. currently, 3 years in a row, QSR business overall in city is facing decrease in sales by 5% / store / year consistantly. what concerns more is the customer counts are decrease in avg. 7 to 10 % per same store. if you permit the food trucks on the street.
you will see great numbers of in building QSR businesses closed in near future. which leads more retail space vacant.
we simply can't bare any more business loss with higher rent and uprising cost.

we, the stores in retail spaces provided QSR service to the citizen of the city and employees no matter what. when storms hit the city, we open.. when we had huge snow nobody could open, my stores opened to provide emergency personal shelter and food, the power plant need food for the workers and i delivered through feet of snow. the food trucks ? none of them will be there.

I attached a few photos

please consider and make wise decision for existing small QSR businesses as well as for landlord of them. Public Health and safety, Tax payer's money etc.

Sincerely, and respectfully

- Attachment: [Food Truck 01.jpg](#)
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, December 17

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From: koma7412@hotmail.com
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2015 9:24 PM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85930: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council trash can over flowed and all over on st

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Request Details:

- Name: Hee Lee
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 5713346835
- Email: koma7412@hotmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: trash can over flowed and all over on street.
food trucks don't have bags nor trash can.
they don't clean up after their business is done.
the city will spend lots of tax payers money to clean up.

the Great D.C. as matter of facts spending millions of dollars each year additionally because of the food truck in DC.

- Attachment: [Food Truck 04.jpg](#)
- Expected Response Date: Thursday, December 17

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Sent: Friday, December 11, 2015 10:15 AM
To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85959: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council RE; Docket # 16, December 12, 2015 Coun

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Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

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Request Details:

- Name: mike anderson
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703 362 3539
- Email: mangoanderson369@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: RE; Docket # 16, December 12, 2015 Council Hearing.

Mr. Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Food Trucks in the Carlyle area.

It may seem that I'm against restaurant competition. On the contrary. I would love to see Randy Norton of the Great American Restaurant Group, or Michael Babin of NRG, build a full service restaurant in the same block as Sweet Fire Donna's. That would encourage folks to dine as a destination location. We might even get some folks from Old Town, who think Carlyle is a gated community. Food trucks are not destination oriented operations. They swoop in for a few hours, do their sales and leave. All you are doing is cannibalizing lunch sales from one operation to another. No new generation of business. Doing anything to help create a stable neighborhood retail environment.

AEDP tells me that the vacancy rate for Carlyle is around 25% with the rest of the city averaging 4%. The following restaurants have gone under in Carlyle in recent years: Pizza Viente, The Deli, Robeks, The Sushi Bar and Artfully Chocolate. Retail business in Carlyle is difficult. Having food trucks siphon off business is not going to encourage new restaurateurs to come to the area. Something I believe is necessary to push Carlyle to the tipping point of retail business.

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If your goal is to create a strong positive retail presence in Carlyle, Food Trucks are counter productive.

Thanks for your time.

Mike Anderson

- Expected Response Date: Friday, December 18

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To: City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton
Subject: Call.Click.Connect. #85960: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Mr. Mayor and Members of Council:Re:

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Dear **Call.Click.Connect.** User

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Request Details:

- Name: mike anderson
- Approximate Address: No Address Specified
- Phone Number: 703 362 3539
- Email: mangoanderson369@gmail.com
- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Mr. Mayor and Members of Council:

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From: Joanna Anderson
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 10:23 AM
To: Gloria Sitton
Cc: John Chapman; Mark Jinks; Emily Baker
Subject: FW: Food Trucks

Hi Gloria – Yvonne confirmed that she would like this email sent to City Council and made a part of the record for the food truck matter to be discussed on Tuesday December 8. Could you do that?

Thank you.

Joanna

Joanna C. Anderson, Assistant City Attorney
301 King Street, Suite 1300
Alexandria, VA 22314
Office: 703.746.3750
Cell: 703.615.5223

From: Yvonne Callahan [<mailto:yvonneweightcallahan@gmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, December 06, 2015 10:11 AM
To: John Chapman
Cc: meshe@restauranteve.com; Doug Povich; Lori Arrasmith Quill'; lynnbostain@yahoo.com; Mike Anderson'; Rich Arslan'; Sheena Franklin'; Stephanie Landrum; Joanna Anderson
Subject: Re: Food Trucks

Dear John and others,

Thank you John for reaching out to those citizens who served on the Food Truck Advisory Committee for our input on this matter. While staff did provide the members of the committee with the memoranda before it was sent the Council, I am not aware that anyone on staff sought the advice and opinions of any individuals who served on the committee.

It seems to me that there are 3 ways to go here:

1. End the program.

I've heard no loud cries to do this, but if one just looked at the current program as it is working right now, it does not seem to be cost beneficial to anyone. Certainly the city has put a lot of resources into administration, etc., for very little financial benefit.

2. Continue the program as it now is:

This also raises the cost/benefit question: who really wants to have it continue as is?

3. Expand the program:

That puts us all right back into the contentious issue of where else the trucks will go, and how they will be regulated. In my opinion, that is NOT something that Council should decide without further public input, at a Saturday Council session in the midst of the holiday season. I hardly think it prudent to make weighty decisions as to where else the food trucks should go without more careful deliberation and input from those concerned in a legislative session that appears to be very lengthy without getting into the subject of "if we expand the program, where do we do so?"

Therefore, I would suggest that the program continue as it is for a few more months while the city and the public more carefully consider where, if at all, any expansion of the program should be promoted.

Thank you
Yvonne

On Fri, Dec 4, 2015 at 2:21 PM, John Chapman <john.taylor.chapman@alexandriava.gov> wrote:

Dear members of the 2013 Food Truck Policy Advisory Group:

As you know, last Tuesday, November 24, the staff provided the City Council with an update on the Food Truck Pilot Program and made recommendations regarding clarification changes and extension of the expiration of the off street food truck regulations. Additional details regarding the update as well as the proposed changes to the off street food truck regulations can be found in the staff's docket memo for the November 24 meeting.

As part of that discussion, I asked staff to go back to the 2014 draft report of the Food Truck Policy Advisory Group, summarizing the hard work that you all did, as well as the recommendations that were discussed in May 2014 for regulations authorizing on street food truck vending and examples of regulations used by other local jurisdictions that have recently adopted food truck regulations and to bring City Council some options for on street food truck vending regulations. I requested that these options be presented on December 8 at the legislative meeting.

And at the December 12 public hearing, City Council will consider those options at the same time it considers the proposed changes to the off street regulations. The docket memo and information regarding this matter is available on the city website.

I truly believe there are opportunities to make this work, especially in the western parts of the city that are currently lacking options.

-John

John Taylor Chapman

Member of City Council
City of Alexandria, Virginia

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