



Consideration of Consolidation of the Boards of Architectural Review

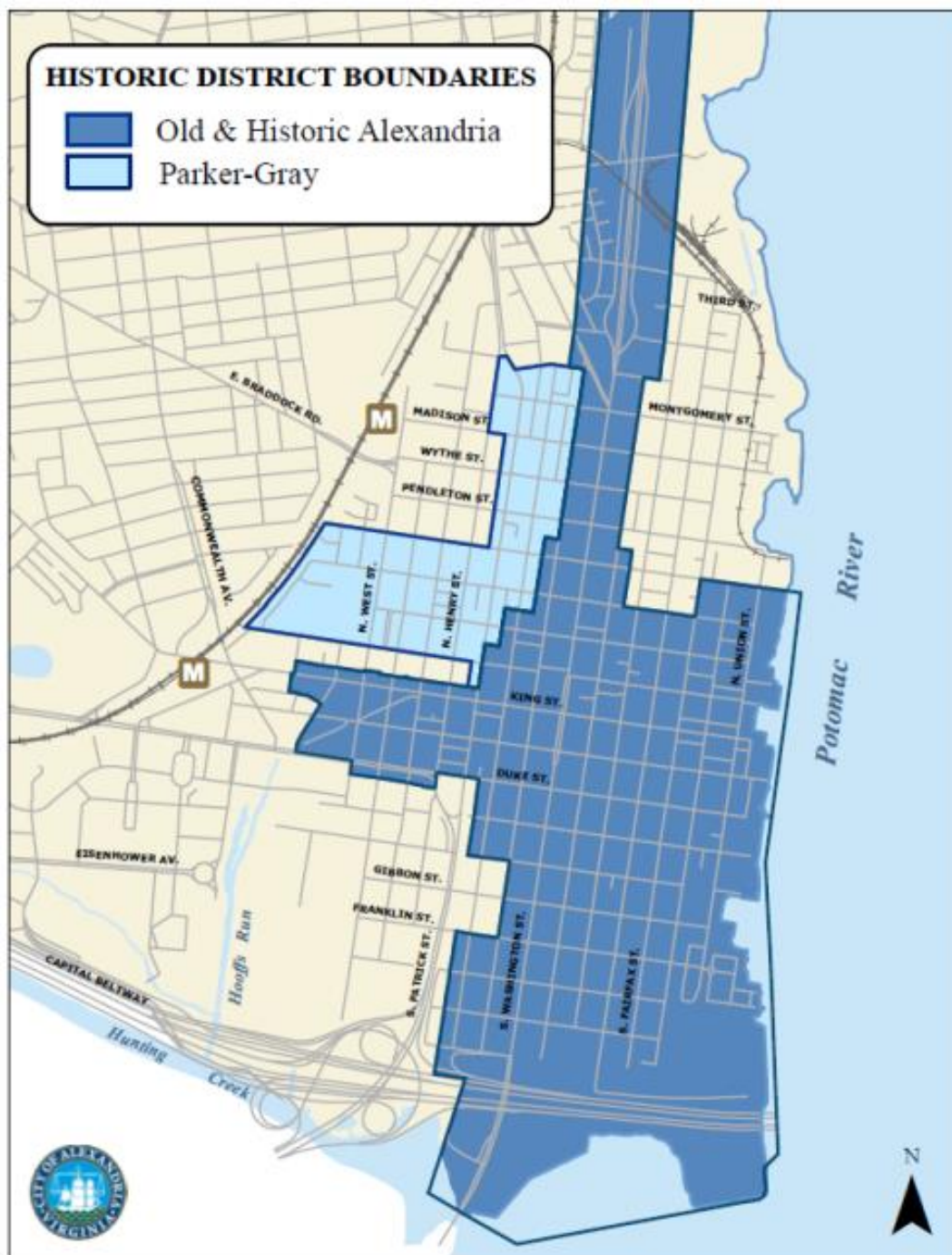
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OHAD & Parker-Gray BARs

- 1946 – OHAD and OHAD BAR est.
- 1984 – Parker-Gray District est.
- 1986 – Parker-Gray BAR est.
- 1993 – Adoption of common BAR Design Guidelines
- 2010 – Modern and Sustainable Materials Work Group updates BAR policies
- 2011 – Administrative Cert. of Appropriateness
- 2012 – Parker-Gray Work Group updates policies and guidelines

Increased number of administrative approvals and decreased number of public hearing requests for both Boards

Local Historic District Boundaries



Old & Historic Alexandria District



Parker-Gray District

Consolidation Considerations

- Ability of one BAR to oversee two districts, each with distinct policies and guidelines
- Simplification of the process for property owners and community
- Efficient use of volunteer members time and City resources
- Reduction in number of hearings by 1/3 while doubling access to hearings for P-G owners

Most localities have one preservation review board for multiple districts

Next Steps

- Feedback from City Council, Planning Commission and BARs
- Community engagement and outreach with HARC, HAF, civic associations and others
- Research on best practices
- Potential drafting of text amendment and action plan for consolidation
- Consideration of text amendment by Planning Commission and City Council (including public hearings)