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City of Alexandria, Virginia

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** APRIL 23, 2020

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, CITY MANAGER /s/

## DOCKET TITLE:

Consideration of a Resolution to Add a Fee for the City's On-Street Reserved Motorcoach Parking Permit. [ROLL-CALL-VOTE]

**<u>ISSUE</u>**: A resolution to revise the Transportation & Environmental Services Department Fees to add a new fee for On-Street Reserved Motorcoach Parking Permit.

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: That City Council adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment) as part of the FY 2021 Approved Budget. The new fee(s) will be effective July 1, 2020.

**BACKGROUND:** This memorandum provides detailed information regarding a proposed \$5 Department of Transportation & Environmental Services (T&ES) fee for FY 2021. The new fee is projected to bring in an additional \$6,000 in revenue for the City in FY 2021.

**DISCUSSION:** Staff proposes a new fee to the Department of Transportation & Environmental Services to charge \$5 for an On-Street Reserved Motorcoach Parking Permit Fee. Currently, this permit is free. The fee will help defray the costs of administering the system and provide a modest incentive for operators to use their permits efficiently.

The City currently offers several locations for Motorcoach parking, each with varying costs and time lengths.

- Free, unreserved (first-come, first-served) parking:
  a. 400 Block of Swann Ave (7 spaces)
- 2. Free, reserved short-term (4-hour) permit parking
  - a. 500 block of North Union Street (5 spaces)
  - b. 900 block of North St. Asaph Street (3 spaces)

Paid, reserved long-term parking, with daily and overnight rates (\$20 & \$45)
 a. George Washington Masonic Temple, 101 Callahan Drive (~25 spaces)

The fee would apply to the reserved short-term parking spaces under item 2. Currently, users must obtain a free permit from the City's website. This proposal would charge \$5 per permit.

Free Motorcoach parking will still be available to bus operators on a first-come, first-served basis on Swann Avenue. Additionally, longer-term parking is also available at the George Washington Masonic Temple.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Establishing the on-street reserved Motorcoach parking fee is projected to generate approximately \$6,000 in additional General Fund revenue each year.

## **ATTACHMENT:** Resolution

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