

## **MONROE AVENUE BRIDGE COMMUNITY LIAISON TEAM MEETING MINUTES**

April 24, 2006  
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

### **Team Members in Attendance:**

David Fromm – Del Ray  
Pat Phibbs – NorthEast  
Mariella Posey – NorthEast  
Stephen Rideout – Old Town Greens

### **Absent:**

Michael Babin – Slaters Lane Businesses  
Buddy Johnson – Del Ray  
Miles Keogh – Lynhaven  
Kevin Reilly – Potomac West Business Association  
Patricia Schubert – Inner City

### **Also in Attendance:**

Cathy Puskar – Walsh, Colucci, Lubeley, Emrich & Terpak, PC  
Kurt Fischer – Shirley Contracting, Inc.  
Emily Baker – City of Alexandria, Transportation & Environmental Services

### **PYD Update Regarding Upcoming Construction Activities and Associated Detours and Team/Community Input**

Kurt Fischer updated the team on the latest construction activities. Most work is still contained in the field of Potomac Yard. The work on the north side of the bridge will be completed in two to three weeks. The construction team will then move to the south side of the bridge. The community will see more concrete work, grading and foundation build up for the roads within Potomac Yard. The pipe work for erosion and sediment control is complete. A silt fence has also been constructed at the border of the site to aid in sediment control.

Removal of the medians on the south end of the bridge has begun. There are daily lane closures of the inside lanes of the bridge from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to accommodate the work. This work will take approximately two to three weeks. Once this is complete, demolition of the south side of the bridge will begin. This work is needed to make way for the new bridge. After demolition is complete, excavation work will begin on the south side of the bridge. The Slaters Lane left turn restriction and maintenance of traffic detours (the jersey jug handle) will begin in the second half of May. Electronic message boards will inform the community of this detour two weeks before this detour goes into effect. Before the detour goes into effect, the “dip” in the pavement on Fayette Street will be smoothed out.

As construction progresses, the team will begin pile driving on the east side of the existing bridge. This will be a shorter duration of pile driving, approximately one mile of piles will be driven or 40 percent of the complete pile driving. This will be done in two shifts, one half will be driven now and the other half will be driven in approximately one year. The hours of pile driving will remain from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Mondays through Fridays. If "make-up" work needs to be performed due to inclement weather, piles will be driven Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Vibration monitoring will continue throughout the pile driving. Once the construction moves to the east side of the existing bridge, the monitoring device will also be moved to the Del Ray area. Kurt reported that vibration was lower this month than the last and continues to be well below the limit of 0.500 inches per second.

Advertisements have been placed in both the Del Ray Sun and the Alexandria Gazette Packet listing the Slaters Lane Businesses and notifying the community that the businesses will remain open throughout construction. These advertisements will run for 10 consecutive weeks.

### **Wrap Up and Adjourn**

The next Community Liaison Meeting is Thursday, May 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Vernon Recreational Center, 2701 Commonwealth Avenue. An e-mail reminder will be distributed to the community and it will be posted on the PYD Web site at [www.potomacyardalexandria.com](http://www.potomacyardalexandria.com).