

**NorthEast**  
**Civic Association**  
 Alexandria, Virginia USA

# Public Hearing concerning Slaters Lane

The City of Alexandria will hold an informational meeting to discuss whether or not the one way pair loop should be implemented.

**Time :** 7:00 PM.

Monday October 16, 2000

**Place:** Charles Houston Recreational Center

905 Wythe Street, Room 18

This will directly effect the quality of life and the property values of many residents so it is important that you attend.

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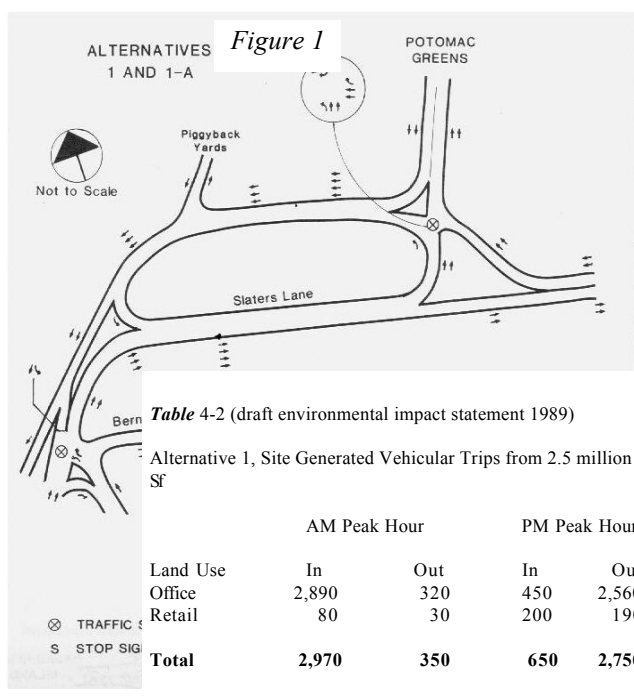
On October 16, 1999 the Northeast Citizens' Association and over 20 residents from Old Town Greens asked the City Council to reconsider the implementation of the one way pair loop on Slaters Lane. The City Council agreed to take a second look before turning the service road in front of Old Town Greens into a major arterial, and eliminating the parking. The proposed one way pair loop would divert all West bound traffic on Slaters Lane to the service road while turning Slaters Lane into a one way Street heading East toward the George Washington Memorial Parkway.

The one way pair concept originated as a solution to moving traffic in and out of Potomac Green. However the original Potomac Greens development proposal consisted of over 2.5 Million SF of development and a Metro

station. The development that has been approved is totally different in scale. Old Town Greens was approved for 273 residential units and Potomac Green, which is going to be built to the north, was approved for 250 units.

The original plan is depicted in the figure 1 along with the expected traffic the original project (2.5 million SF of development) would generate in the Old Town Green area. Remember this is traffic during the AM and PM peak hour of adjacent street traffic i.e. during one hour period. The traffic was expected to exceed 3000 cars. So much traffic could not possibly traverse Slaters Lane without causing gridlock. The one-way pair loop was one way to mitigate that problem by separating the traffic into continuous patterns.

By contrast the site generated vehicular Trips from the approved 523 (250+273) dwelling units on Old Town Greens and Potomac Greens is expected to be less than 300 cars per hour or one-tenth the cars of the original proposal.



AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
In	Out	In	Out
62	198	191	108

*Calculated using the Institute of Transport Engineers "Trip Generator"*

The one way pair loop was created for a problem that no longer exists and might be detrimental to future solutions in our neighborhood. For these reasons, a reconsideration of the decision and a study of the effected area were needed to ensure that unnecessary, drastic, and obtrusive changes are not implemented needlessly.