

ORDINANCE NO. 105

AN ORDINANCE providing for the widening of the roadway of a portion of Washington Street by setting back the curb line; for the removal of trees within said area; for the removal and/or relocation of certain works, poles, wires, cables, mains, pipes, meter boxes, cut off boxes and other fixtures and property now located and maintained by the Virginia Public Service Company, The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, The Western Union Telegraph Company, The Postal Telegraph and Cable Company, The Alexandria Water Company and the Alexandria Gas Company in said portion of Washington Street; for the placing underground of the conductors of the Virginia Public Service Company on Washington Street between First Street and the corporate limits on the south; for the placing underground of the transmission conduits of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company on Washington Street between First Street and the corporate limits on the south; for the revocation of permits to operate and maintain curb gasoline pumps and for the removal of same from Washington Street and providing penalties for violations hereof.

WHEREAS, the United States Government, pursuant to and by authority of Acts of Congress is now engaged in the construction of the Washington Memorial Highway, extending from the Virginia end of the Memorial Bridge to Mt. Vernon and the route of said Highway through the City of Alexandria is on and over Washington Street, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the public safety, convenience and general welfare and to carry out the purposes and intent of the United States Government in the construction of said Highway that the roadway of a certain portion of Washington Street be widened in the congested area, by setting back the curb line certain distances between certain points, and that to accomplish this end it will be necessary to remove trees and hedges now located in said portions of Washington Street and that parts of the works, appliances and fixtures now owned and maintained within said area of Washington Street by utility companies be removed and/or relocated, and further that the public convenience and necessity and the purpose and intent of said Highway require the removal of all curb gasoline pumps or standards from Washington Street, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and purpose of the City Council of Alexandria to cooperate with the United States Government in carrying out the purposes and intent of said Washington Memorial Highway, and pursuant to the powers and authority vested in it by the general laws of the State, the Charter of the City Council, and Chapter 484 of the Acts of the General Assembly, 1926.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA;

SECTION 1. That the roadway of Washington Street be widened by setting back the curb seven (7) feet on the West side of said street from the south side of the alley running into Washington Street between Cameron and King Streets, to King Street; by setting back the curb seven (7) feet on the West side of Washington Street between King and Prince Streets; by setting back the curb two and one half (2 1-2) feet on the West side of Washington Street from Prince Street to Duke Street; by setting back the curb seven (7) feet on the East side of Washington Street from a point 125 feet north of the North side of King Street, southwardly to King Street; by setting back the curb seven (7) feet on the East side of Washington Street between King and Prince Streets; and by setting back the curb seven (7) feet on the East side of Washington Street from Prince Street to the north side of the alley entering Washington Street between Prince and Duke Streets.

SECTION 2. That all trees located in said portion of Washington Street to be widened as provided in Section 1 hereof shall be relocated if reasonably possible to do so, otherwise, same shall be removed.

SECTION 3. That the Virginia Public Service Company, The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company, the Western Union Telegraph Company, the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company, the Alexandria Water Company and the Alexandria Gas Company remove and/or relocate all of their works, poles, wires, cables, mains, pipes, meter boxes, cut off boxes, and other fixtures and property now located and maintained by said companies in, upon, over, across, under or through said portions of Washington Street so that same shall not interfere with the widening of the roadway of Washington Street as provided in Section 1 hereof, said removal and/or relocations to be made coincident with the work of widening said portions of the roadway of Washington Street and to be under the supervision of the City Manager and/or the City Engineer.

SECTION 4. That the Virginia Public Service Company, pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No. 95 of the City Council of Alexandria, is hereby ordered and directed to place its conductors on Washington Street between First Street and the Corporate Limits on the south underground, and said underground installation of said conductors is to be made coincident with the present removal and replacement of the surface of Washington Street and under the supervision of the City Engineer.

SECTION 5. The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, pursuant to the provisions of an Ordinance adopted July 27th, 1915, is hereby ordered and directed to place its transmission conduits on Washington Street between First Street and the Corporate Limits on the south, underground and said installation of said transmission conduits is to be made coincident with the present removal and replacement of the surface of Washington Street and under the supervision of the City Engineer; provided, however, that should it be possible for necessary service connections to be made by overhead service from side street or rear rights of way lines, the company may remove its fixtures and appliances from Washington Street and make connections from such side streets or rear lines.

SECTION 6. That all permits heretofore issued for the installation, operation and maintenance of curb gasoline pumps or standards on that portion of Washington Street which is to be widened as provided in Section 1 hereof, are hereby revoked and all parties now operating curb gasoline pumps or standards with appurtenant underground tanks and fixtures in the street area on said portion of Washington Street are ordered and directed to remove same within thirty days from the date of the passage and approval of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. In the event any person, firm or corporation should fail to comply with the provisions of this ordinance within or at the time same is required to be done, the City Council may proceed to have such removals and/or relocations of property made herein provided for at the cost and expense of the person, firm or corporation so failing to comply.

SECTION 8. Any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars, (\$10.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.00) or by imprisonment in the City Jail for not exceeding sixty (60) days or both in the discretion of the Court. Each day through which any such violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.

SECTION 9. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Approved this 30th day of April, 1931.

E. F. TICER, Mayor.