

RESOLUTION NO. 298

WHEREAS there are in Alexandria certain neighborhoods in which blight and deterioration exist that are detrimental to the health, welfare and safety of those who live, work and shop in these areas; and

WHEREAS it is the city's goal to eliminate blight and deterioration and to create a better community through physical improvement of public property, such as repair and addition of sidewalks, curbs and trees, and by providing housing improvement incentives; by the provision of additional parks and recreational facilities; by creating better traffic patterns, especially with the pedestrian in mind; and by providing supportive parking; and

WHEREAS the City Council in 1972 initiated the Potomac East and West Neighborhood Improvement Programs and authorized the City Manager to implement actions to accomplish revitalization of the Potomac East and West areas; and

WHEREAS many of the first year projects have been designed and completed; and

WHEREAS the city staff has begun implementing second year program activities with cooperation and guidance from the citizens of the Potomac East and West communities; and

WHEREAS the City Council has appropriated in the 197~~3~~-74 Capital Budget the sum of \$650,000 for the implementation of third year activities in Potomac East and Potomac West;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, extends its continued support to the program of revitalization and improvement in Potomac East and West; and

That the City Manager is hereby authorized, in coordination with the residents of the community, to implement programs to accomplish revitalization in Potomac East and West through the improvement of housing conditions, the provision and maintenance of parks and open space, the removal of unsalvagable structures, the reduction and amelioration of incompatible land uses, the improvement of traffic patterns, the provision of supportive parking, the installation of public improvements, and other appropriate social and environmental activities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council calls upon the citizens of Alexandria, all boards and agencies of the city, all city employees, and all neighborhood organizations and businessmen, to join with the City Council and City Manager in a concerted effort to revitalize Potomac East and West; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this City Council meeting and, further, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to all interested Alexandrians.

Adopted March 12, 1974

Helen Vickers, Clerk of the City of
Alexandria, Virginia