



**PARK AND RECREATION  
COMMISSION  
2100 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 414  
Arlington, Virginia 22201**

Meeting Minutes  
March 15, 2022

***\*Due to the Countywide precautions taken during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Park and Recreation Commission (PRC) meeting was held virtually on Microsoft Teams.***

**Commission Members Present:**

Shruti Kuppa, Chair  
Jill Barker, Vice Chair  
Sarah Baryluk  
Gerald Brandt (APS Staff Liaison)  
Dean Foster  
Colt Gregory  
Peter Harnik  
Gretchen Hickey  
David Howell  
Neal Hunter  
Mark Lincoln  
Kevin Manuel  
Adam Rasmussen  
Melissa Riggio

**Guests:**

Bernard Berne  
Anne Bodine  
Joe Chapman  
Grace Dials  
Taylor Lawch  
John Savo

**County Staff:**

Marco Rivero, Principal Planner, PRC Staff Liaison  
Jeremy Smith, Landscape Architect, DPR

**PRC members not in attendance:**

Sergio Enriquez

**Chairman's Introduction and Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes**

PRC Chair, Shruti Kuppa provided a brief introduction and PRC Staff Liaison, Marco Rivero reviewed details associated with Microsoft Teams. Mr. Rivero also specified that this would be a recorded meeting of the PRC.

The Commission considered its February 22, 2022 Park and Recreation Commission (PRC)

meeting minutes. With no objections, the Commission approved the minutes as presented.

## **Public Comment**

- **Anne Bodine** provided a presentation and discussion on the PenPlace site plan's bonus density requests and potential community benefits (site mitigation measures) associated with that density. There was general concern about amount of bonus density being granted with limited community benefits/site mitigation measures. Ms. Bodine suggested that there needs to be a thorough review of this process.
- **Bernard Berne** addressed various positive aspects of the PenPlace site public space development and overall project, particularly its extensive plant list. Dr. Berne appreciated that the conceptual landscape plan is available at this stage of development. Dr. Berne stated that there should be more green space and less hard space provided and believes the proposed market promenade and amphitheater amenities are unnecessary.

## **Agenda Items**

### **PenPlace Park Master Plan (PMP) and Design Guidelines Presentation and Discussion**

Marco Rivero, DPR and the Amazon/JBG Smith/SCAPE Landscape Architecture teams (represented by Joe Chapman with Amazon, John Savo with NBBJ, and Grace Dials with SCAPE) provided a presentation and discussion on the draft, PenPlace PMP and Design Guidelines.

Commissioner comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Praise and recognition for the project and public space's progressive design.
- Public access to the Helix building; there will be access to community members by reservation two (2) weekends a month.
- Bike lane connectivity and its implementation across the site's various intersections.
- The project is an illustration of how important it is to start with the right principles. The project provides a balanced but asymmetric approach to shapes to make it feel more natural. Biophilia is best when all senses are engaged.
- Soil depths at street entrances; the Forest walk area will contain soil depths of 5 feet with the remaining areas at 2-3 feet (with some constrained areas down to 12-24 inches).
- Interconnectivity of tree pits within the park and how soil is connected accordingly. The applicant clarified that protected bike lanes have allowed for longer continuous planting strips, with 4-foot crossings. Sidewalks have accessibility considerations and lend to rectilinear planters.
- Questions on site ownership and maintenance were raised. The applicant team specified that there will be a public park easement eased to the County by Amazon and that Amazon will be responsible for site maintenance in perpetuity.
- Acknowledgment for wide entry points between buildings. A question was raised about the age of trees when planted. The applicant clarified that the majority of trees will be at 3.5-inch caliper or below. The Forest area will have some trees at a smaller caliper size. The site will also contain trees at a large caliper size between 3.4 and 7 inches.
- Walkways and incorporation of the "Green Ribbon" elements as proposed within the Pentagon City Sector Plan (PCSP). The east-west connection proposed is the first implementation of the proposed "Green Ribbon" area and the PCSP provides specific guidelines on its components.

- Bicycles and micro-mobility devices will be allowed to traverse the public space.
- Two areas of consideration: the Southwest D.C. waterfront multimodal path is not that successful, and the Georgetown Harbor Place has banned bikes. The applicant clarified that safety is one of the primary considerations. Clear visual cues will denote priority for the path which includes its curvature, seating nooks, pavement marker center line, as well as edge treatments.
- Amazon’s commitment to maintenance is documented with a dedicated horticultural staff maintaining both the indoor and outdoor spaces.
- Community benefits/site mitigation discussions. PRC Chair Kuppa specified that the Commission can continue to discuss these measures as they are being addressed with the Planning Commission in a few weeks (but it was not specifically being considered for the PRC’s discussion this evening). This discussion will be ongoing with the Planning Commission and the County Board.

### 2021 Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award

- PRC Vote on Nominees

Commissioner comments included but were not limited to the following:

- First Nominee: Anne Marie Murray may be eligible for an Arlington Public Schools (APS) recognition for her service with Kenmore Middle School.
- Second Nominee: Bon Air Park Extension Master Gardeners (five people were nominated from this group). The gardeners really excelled in the educational efforts regarding the trail improvements and maintenance. Supporting materials for this nominee was extensive and very impressive.
- The 2021 Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award review committee consisted of five (5) members:
  - Dean Foster, PRC, Chair
  - Melissa Riggio, PRC, Vice Chair
  - John A. Carey, Forestry and Natural Resources Commission (FNRC)
  - Mikaila Milton, Climate Change, Energy and Environment Commission (C2E2)
  - Erik Beach, Parks Planning Division Chief and DPR Representative
- PRC Chair Kuppa identified Commissioner Riggio as the chairperson for next year’s awards with a vice chair identified at a future date.
- Of the PRC members present at the time of the vote, the **PRC voted 10-0 in favor of recommending that the 2021 Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award recipient be the Bon Air Extension Master Gardeners.**

### Staff Report

- No additional updates were provided. However, Mr. Rivero posed a question to commissioners about a potential April PRC agenda topic on stormwater management considerations. Mr. Rivero asked if the PRC has any specific questions or topics associated with stormwater management in DPR/public parks.
- Topics that have already identified include the following:
  - What areas of the County are we having stormwater runoff issues? What is common among those neighborhoods? How will stormwater management challenges increase in Arlington due to climate change?

- What ongoing maintenance does the County do to tame erosion? What are potential runoff pollution mitigation strategies and how is the County keeping up with innovative engineering practices?
  - What are Arlington's Green Infrastructure guidelines for developers?
  - How well is Arlington doing in achieving stormwater targets, especially in light of the increased stormwater load associated with increased development/deforestation?
- Marco R. requested that PRC members provide any potential questions related to park specific stormwater management items in the next several days/weeks in preparation for the meeting in April.

### **11<sup>th</sup> Street North and North Danville Street Neighborhood Conservation (NC) Park Project**

The County Board approved the Fall 2020 Neighborhood Conservation funding round at the April 2021 board meeting. The design meetings were coordinated with the civic association and held July 15, 2021, and September 16, 2021. The design was approved by the Clarendon Courthouse Civic Association (CCCA) and the project has moved into LDA permit review.

- The County will lead a public engagement to solicit park naming ideas. A few naming ideas have been proposed including but not limited to 11<sup>th</sup> Street Park, Wayside Green Park, and Nguyen Ngoc Bich Park. The first outreach (survey) was launched on Tuesday, 3/8 and will be active for two weeks (Tuesday, 3/22).

### **15<sup>th</sup> Street Park (Intersection of 15<sup>th</sup> Street South and South Eads Street) – No Updates**

- After receiving feedback on the adjacent Complete Streets project, DES is amending the plans for the Clark/Bell segment of the 15<sup>th</sup> Street Complete Streets Project
- DPR staff are coordinating with DES to ensure that the future park can come to fruition

### **23<sup>rd</sup> and Eads Park Renovation (501 23<sup>rd</sup> Street South)**

The purpose of the project is to provide minor park improvements that will complement the character of the neighborhood and provide a place for visitors to gather and rest. The Park improvements will enhance the visibility and aesthetics of the site, and this space will continue to offer visitors a casual use experience. This project is funded via the adopted FY2022 CIP through TIF funds, and the budget is \$250,000 for design and construction. The first engagement will be mid to late March 2022.

### **4MRV – Jennie Dean Park (3630 27<sup>th</sup> Street South)**

- Construction is progressing on the park and is nearing completion. The park should re-open end of March/Early April.
- Remaining work includes Bio-retention planting; Miscellaneous sidewalks; Tree Planting; Sod.

### **APS Projects**

- **Cardinal Elementary School (1644 N. McKinley Rd.)**

County Project – [Stormwater Vault](#)

DES held a meeting February 23 to update the community on the project.

- [February 23 Presentation](#) and [Q&A Summary](#)
- The construction began in December 2021 and is anticipated to take 12 months. The diamond and rectangular athletic fields will be restored at the end of the project.

- **The Heights Building (1601 Wilson Blvd.)**

- APS submitted a use permit amendment for County Board consideration in May. The amendment is for the construction of a parking garage for 75 vehicles and for a synthetic field on top of it.
- The amendment will be presented to PRC this spring before it goes to the County Board.

### **Ballston Pond Retrofit/Beaver Pond Park Improvements (4747 Fairfax Dr.)**

The contractor conducted a non-native invasive treatment (mostly cut stump) and invasive tree removal in early March. As part of the treatment, they removed invasive pear trees along the Custis trail spur. Work is ongoing for shaping the stream channel for the future wetland area.

[Ballston Pond Restoration](#)

### **Bell Street Interim Public Space (located north of the Crystal City Metro Station in ROW and JBG property, no address available)**

The purpose of this project is to provide simple, temporary amenities that will be in place until the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) begins their Route 1 improvement plans. The Route 1 construction is anticipated to begin in 2025 and will impact the entire Bell Street project area, which is the reason the improvements are temporary. Given that the Bell Street improvements are temporary, this project aims to use site furnishings and materials that are intended for removal and may be re-used in other public spaces. There are no plans to replace the Bell Street temporary improvements once the Route 1 work is complete. This project is funded via the adopted FY2022 CIP through TIF funds, and the budget is \$250,000 for design and construction. The first public engagement will be mid to late March 2022.

### **Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award**

- Two (2) nominees have been received for the 2021 Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award: Bon Air Park Extension Master Gardener Demonstration Garden Leaders and Ann Marie Douglass. An initial preview of the current award process will be provided at the February PRC meeting.
- Committee review and scoring will this week.

### **Crystal Substation**

- Dominion is requesting a below grade easement to create a duct bank, allowing for the connection of existing utility lines and new utility lines.
- Three non-native trees will be removed and replaced, per the County tree replacement guidelines.
- Staff has reached out to Arlington Ridge Civic Association, Aurora Highlands Civic Association, and Crystal City Civic Association

### **Donaldson Run Stream Restoration Work Tributary B (DES Project) (Donaldson Run Watershed in North Arlington near Zachary Taylor Nature Area, 2900 Military Rd.)**

- The Zachary Taylor hike-bike trail along Donaldson Run Tributary B is closed during construction.
- From February 28-March 7 updates: The contractor will continue working instream below the pedestrian bridge. They intend to start at Step pool 20 and work upstream to Step pool 18, then work downstream from Step pool 21 to the confluence with Tributary A. The tree removal intended to occur during the past two weeks had to be rescheduled and is likely to occur the week of Feb 28. Limited tree removal will occur, including snagging (cutting a tree to ~20 feet above ground to preserve the soil stability and habitat) of one dead tree.

### **Clarendon Sector Plan Update**

- Currently going through the Request To Advertise Process before Planning Commission on March 9<sup>th</sup> and County Board later in March 2022.
- Anticipated to go before the Planning Commission and County Board for Board Adoption in April 2022.
- On the project page, staff posted the Draft Staff Report, Draft 2022 Clarendon Sector Plan Text, Maps & Exhibits, Draft Zoning Ordinance Amendments and Proposed Changes to the Sector Plan Maps

### **Forestry and Natural Resources Plan Update**

- Internal review period for the preliminary draft concluded on March 4<sup>th</sup>
- DPR staff currently reviewing comments and will begin the editing process with the consultant team and interdepartmental Core Team the week of March 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fort Scott Park Restroom and Parking Lot Renovation (2800 Fort Scott Dr.)**

- Interior mechanical, electrical, and plumbing (MEP) work ongoing.
- Parking lot asphaltting complete.
- Anticipated completion 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Glencarlyn Pedestrian Bridge Replacement (301 S. Harrison St.)**

Bridge was installed on February 14 with remaining area work to be completed. Anticipated completion 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Gunston Park Enclosed Athletic Facility (1401 28<sup>th</sup> Street South)**

- The contractor is in the process of installing the new structure.
- Anticipated completion 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Gunston Park Playground Renovation (1401 28<sup>th</sup> Street South)**

This Parks Maintenance Capital project will design and construct demolition, site work, new playground, picnic shelter, grading and drainage, site circulation, site furnishings, landscaping, and storm water management. No new amenities are planned for this project. Design process has started and will continue through 2022. Construction anticipated to begin in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2023.

### **Hillside Park (1601 N. Pierce St.)**

This NC project will focus on the natural elements of the park, such as invasive species control, planting native trees and understory with a focus on pollinator planting, replacing picnic tables and adding new site furnishings, and adding boulders and a sculptural element such as a tree carving to add natural play interest in the southern part of the park. This project was approved by the NCAC in 2021 and the County Board approved the NC package in February 2022. Currently a topographic survey and tree inventory are being conducted.

### **John Robinson Jr. Town Square (24<sup>th</sup> Road South and Shirlington Road)**

- The stage and steel bridge walkway are complete
- Dominion has installed the interior park poles and is in the process of energizing the park, 4-poles still need to be removed.
- 90% of landscape planting installed. The balance of the landscaping to be completed in the Spring 2022.
- The sculpture foundation concrete has been poured and the concrete has been cured. The FREED sculpture is expected to be delivered and installed 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022.
- The project is anticipated to be completed 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Lubber Run Park Pedestrian Bridge Replacement (300 N. Park Dr.)**

Construction drawings for the chosen bridge location are being prepared by the engineer. Project construction is anticipated to begin 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Madison Manor Park Restroom Renovations (6225 12<sup>th</sup> Road North)**

- Interior mechanical, electrical, and plumbing (MEP) works ongoing.
- Skylights have been installed.
- Anticipated completion 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Marcey Road Park (2722 Marcey Rd)**

- Retaining wall installation is underway.
- Anticipated completion 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Natural Resources Management Unit – No Updates**

- Jennifer Soles is Acting Deputy Division Chief while a replacement for David Farner is found.
- A deer assessment RFP to interpret results from the deer drone survey and to make recommendations on future actions is being worked on internally and will hopefully go out later this month.

### **Natural Surface Trails Inventory and Assessment – No Updates**

- The contractor for the inventory and assessment began fieldwork on 1/28. Fieldwork will continue through April.
- DPR staff are currently developing a project webpage, anticipate it being live late March

### **New Park at South Eads Street and Army Navy Drive (former “Teardrop Parcels” off Army Navy Drive, South Eads Street, and 12<sup>th</sup> Street South)**

- Park concept plan updated in coordination with site utility considerations. DPR is preparing a design presentation for an online feedback opportunity in March.
- Continued coordination with park master plan concept, current design, and utility considerations.
- Park project is developing in tandem with DES Street redesign and streetscape work. DPR staff in coordination with DES team to keep projects aligned.
- Staff is coordinating with Real Estate Bureau and Zoning staff to ensure all County Board considerations are accounted for. The following approvals are necessary before construction:
  - Abandonment of ROW
  - Vacation of ROW
  - Resubdivision
  - Either rezoning or use permit
- Staff is preparing to begin the park naming process, to be taken to the County Board concurrently with the above approvals.

### **Oakland Park (3701 Wilson Blvd.) – No Updates**

The irrigation work will be revisited in the spring with an irrigation contractor that is familiar with the installation of solar powered irrigation systems. Spring 2022 completion timeframe anticipated.

### **Site Plan Review**

- **PenPlace (block bound by Army Navy Drive, 12<sup>th</sup> Street South, South Fern Street, and South Eads Street; formerly 550 Army Navy Drive)**
  - The proposal includes approximately 3.3 million square feet divided across four buildings.
    - Three 22-story office buildings with ground floor retail
    - One destination- and amenity-focused building called “The Helix,” a unique biophilic double helix structure with plantings native to the Mid-Atlantic region.
  - In addition, the proposal includes a 2.75-acre public space, detached retail pavilions, and underground vehicular access. Specific details of the public space were evaluated through a Park Master Plan (PMP) process which occurred concurrently with the site plan review.
  - The LRPC process concluded on July 13 after convening three meetings. The process has entered the Site Plan Review Committee (SPRC) phase, beginning with a walking tour on Thursday, October 28 and an SPRC virtual engagement period (SPRC #1) which commenced that day and ended on Sunday, November 7. SPRC #2 occurred on Monday, December 6 with building architecture and public space being the main topics of discussion. SPRC #3 occurred on Monday, January 24 and focused on transportation, environmental considerations, and other associated topics. SPRC #4 occurred on Thursday, February 10 and focused on a discussion on site mitigation measures, a presentation on the proposed Arlington Community High School facility, and a wrap-up on various other site plan topics.
  - The second PMP engagement launched from December 6 through December 27 for community feedback with 67 responses provided. The second PMP engagement provided a recap of the first PMP engagement themes, an updated site design, a breakdown of public space areas, circulation/access points, stormwater features, public space amenity renderings, design guidelines considerations for tree species/plantings, lighting, site furniture, site materials, among other items. This information will be used to draft the PMP and Design Guidelines document which will be reviewed the County Board alongside the site plan. PRC review of the proposed public space will occur at the March PRC meeting. County Board consideration anticipated for April 2022.
  
- **2025 Clarendon Blvd – Wendy's Site – Site Plan #435)**
  - Going before Planning Commission March 7<sup>th</sup> and County Board later in March 2022.
  - County Staff worked with the applicant regarding updated design changes to the proposed public plaza which will incorporate more biophilic design elements, increased plantings, public seating and enhance the pedestrian experience along this corridor.
  - The applicant, Greystar, proposes to develop the site (“Wendy’s Site”) with a 16-story mixed-use building, consisting of ground floor retail and residential dwelling units above. The project includes a 104,789 sq. ft. Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) from Site Plan #417 (“Wakefield Manor”). The Applicant also proposes a public pedestrian plaza at the intersection of N. Courthouse Road, Wilson Boulevard, and Clarendon Boulevard of approximately 1,497 square feet.
  - “New” Site Plan (C-O-2.5 district):
    - 16-story residential building, with ground level retail
    - 231 total residential units
    - 4,000 sq. ft. of retail GFA
    - 0.32 parking spaces per dwelling unit
  - Site Plan infrastructure and improvements include:
    - New public plaza
    - Utility fund contribution

- Streetscape improvements
  - Public art contribution
  - Affordable housing contribution
  - LEED Gold certification
- **Potomac Yards Landbay C-East (located along Potomac Avenue between 29<sup>th</sup> and 33<sup>rd</sup> Street South)**
    - This project was approved by the County Board on June 15, 2021, the applicant submitted a zoning administrative change to replace the water fountain. As part of the site plan conditions language for #57 - North Park Plaza – Fountain/Water Feature, an online engagement was held through November-December of 2021. Major changes incorporated into the redesign include removing the water fountain that spanned from Potomac Avenue into the center of the plaza, increased planting areas and trees, a more natural and organic pedestrian pathway and increased seating, and incorporation of a smaller water feature towards the center of the plaza.
  - **701 N. Glebe Road - Ballston Macy's - Site Plan #193**
    - Walking Tour is anticipated for March 15<sup>th</sup> - Meet on site at 701 N. Glebe Road at the entrance to Macy's department store on Wilson Blvd.
    - Online Engagement Opportunity occurred February 7<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>.
    - SPRC is anticipated to start Spring 2022
    - The applicant, Insight Property Group, proposes the demolition of the existing Ballston Macy's department store and vacant office space above the store and the development of a residential building with a grocery store anchor on the ground floor. To facilitate the density proposed with this project, Insight is proposing to transfer development rights from "The Haven" site along Columbia Pike through a Zoning Ordinance Amendment and Use Permit process. Additional Project Details include:  
Residential building:
      - 16 Stories
      - 555 Units
      - Construction of two levels of underground parking and one level of above grade parking
Proposed modifications for:
      - Required residential parking (.4 spaces per unit)
      - Density Exclusions
      - Bonus Density achievement through LEED Gold Certification
      - Transfer of Development Rights of 235 units from Haven residential site along Columbia Pike
  - **1616 Fort Myer Drive - Xerox Site - Site Plan #85**
    - SPRC is anticipated to start Spring of 2022
    - The applicant proposes to construct a 31-story, 290-foot-tall residential building with 647,746 square feet of residential gross floor area with a 9.95 Floor Area Ratio. To accomplish this development the applicant proposes: (1) a rezoning from C-O to C-O-Rosslyn, and (2) a major site plan amendment to SP #85, with requested modifications to the zoning ordinance regarding parking requirements, requested exclusions of certain areas from counting as Gross Floor Area, additional density. Additional Project Details include:  
Site Plan infrastructure and improvements include:
      - Underground Utility fund contribution;
      - Affordable housing contribution or on-site affordable units;
      - Streetscape improvements;

- On-site Public art or contribution to public art in Rosslyn;
- Proposed LEED Gold certification.

### **Thomas Jefferson Upper Field Conversion (3501 2<sup>nd</sup> Street South)**

- Excavation for the retaining block wall completed this week. The cornerstone of the wall has been set and wall construction started.
- Long Jump track and sand pit area excavated. Fabric and drain piping at the bottom of the sand pit completed.
- Redesign of the footing locations for the shade structure, being completed and looked at by the design team.
- Anticipated completion 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Towers Park Playground Renovations (801 S. Scott St.)**

- Installation of the drainage piping under the fibar portion of the playground completed.
- Foundation work for the retaining wall about 75% and about 55% of the wall has been installed.
- Design team working on a redesign of the main entrance stairs (non-ADA). This is being done to alleviate the impact to the root system of the adjacent tree.
- Anticipated completion 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2022.

### **Urban Forestry Office Updates**

- The first and second batch of the preventive pruning program has been completed. With 60 trees pruned and 5 removed. We continue working with our 4<sup>th</sup> batch of preventive pruning in Fairlington (s Columbus St, 31st St S, and S Buchanan St). 140 trees have been worked on as part of this program already.
- Bingham Center/ Silver Diner Site was discussed with county planners to communicate the concerns of the agency about tree protection and species selection. During the review, it was pointed out that multiple mature trees can be conserved and there is no need for removal.
- Sparrow Pond reconstruction drawings are nearing approval and may offer an opportunity for reforestation efforts.
- Initial DPR meeting on project briefing on Bell Street Park. Higher park utilizing is being requested for pedestrians and a proposed bike lane. Multiple small trees will need to be relocated off-site as the trees were recently planted a season ago.
- Nauck Town center: an internal punch list walk took place. The walk was in anticipation of the park's inauguration later this spring. The site is still pending tree planting and will take place over the next couple of weeks.
- Staff started planning a volunteer tree planting event at Fort Scott Park. Interested volunteers can come help us plant 37 native trees on 9 April
- Tree Stewards are working with the county on a structural pruning for young trees. The effort is in early stages, but we hope it will increase the safety of our tree canopy as these young trees mature.

### **Commission Member Reports**

*\*Added in red are comments shared at the PRC meeting.*

- 55+ (Dean Foster)
  - *No Updates*
- Alcova Heights Park Renovations (Colt Gregory)

- Arlington Public Schools (APS) (Gerald Brandt)
- Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award 2021 (Dean Foster/Melissa Riggio)
  - *The five person selection committee met on Thursday, March 10 and discussed the evaluations of the two nominees. Based on the discussion and the scoring, the committee majority arrived at a decision to recommend to the PRC that the nominee Bon Air Park Extension Master Gardeners receive the BTPVA.*
- Clarendon Sector Plan Update (Sarah Baryluk)
  - *Clarendon Sector Plan update went before the Zoning Committee and Planning Commission in late February/early March and will likely be before the Board in March.*
  - *Overall, the changes to the plan with respect to the 10th St North parcel are in alignment with the PRC comments provided previously. However, we are working on a letter to submit to the Board providing further comment to reiterate that relocation of the fire station should be strongly considered.*
- Community Energy Plan (Jill Barker)
- Courthouse West Special GLUP Study (Sarah Baryluk)
  - *An LRPC meeting was held in January, where discussion focused effectively around what the density of the building should be and how density informs the accomplishment of the GLUP study principles. There will be additional meetings on the study though they have not yet been scheduled.*
- Crystal City Citizen Review Council (Shruti Kuppa)
- Field Fund Working Group (Mark Lincoln/Adam Rasmussen)
- Forestry and Natural Resources Commission (David Howell/Colt Gregory)
  - *The February meeting of the Forestry and Natural Resources Commission began with a presentation by Jill Barker, DeShay Williams and Elenor Hodges of EcoAction Arlington on proposals for improving tree canopy program efforts with regard to equity, efficiency, and program scope expansion. The Commission also discussed and approved two advisory letters to the County Board. One transmitted recommendation on priorities for action and inclusion in the draft FNR plan. The other included recommended changes to the Site Plan Standard Conditions for development projects, which are currently in a brief engagement process by the Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development. The meeting also included discussion on possible content for a letter regarding the proposed FY 2023 budget for the Department of Parks and Recreation.*
- Forestry and Natural Resources Plan Update (Colt Gregory)
- Four Mile Run Joint Task Force (David Howell)
- Gulf Branch Stream Restoration (Colt Gregory)
- Jennie Dean Park, Phase 1 Construction (Colt Gregory)
- Natural Resources Joint Advisory Group (NRJAG) (Gregory/Barker/Baryluk)
- Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee (NCAC) (**Vacant**)
- Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC) (Neal Hunter)
  - *The PAC discussed upcoming CIP projects and focus. Interest was given to coordinating with PRC on different project priorities.*
- PenPlace Park Master Plan (PMP) and Design Guidelines Process (David Howell)
- Plan Langston Boulevard (Shruti Kuppa)

- Public Spaces Master Plan (PSMP) Implementation Advisory Committee (IAC) (Shruti Kuppa/Sergio Enriquez)
- Public Facilities Review Committee (PFRC) (Sergio Enriquez)
- Site Plan Review Committee (SPRC) and Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC)
  - Crystal City Building Heights Study (Shruti Kuppa)
  - Fort Henry Gardens (David Howell)
  - Macy's (Dean Foster/Melissa Riggio)
    - *There will be a walking tour, weather permitting, of the Ballston Macy's project at noon, Tuesday, March 15.*
    - *The first SPRC meeting for the project is scheduled for 7 pm, Thursday, March 24. The On-line Engagement Opportunity occurred February 7th-14.*
  - Marbella Apartments (David Howell)
  - Melwood Property (750 23<sup>rd</sup> Street South) Special GLUP Study (Kevin Manuel)
    - *A request was submitted for the subject properties located on 23rd Street South between South Hayes Street and South Grant Street to change the GLUP designation from "Public" to "Low-Medium" Residential with an associated rezoning from C-1 and R-6 to RA8-18.*
    - *LRPC Meeting is scheduled for April 13th.*
    - *Last night (3/14) the Aurora Highlands Civic Association met to discuss the GLUP Amendment and the ACHA's Zoning Committee's review/proposal on the proposed plan.*
    - *ACHA GLUP Meeting General Land Use Plan (GLUP).*
    - *ACHCA Zoning Committee voted to oppose the GLUP plan of Melwood.*
    - *During AHCA March 9th meeting, a motion cast to have a special meeting to review zoning committee report to determine if the report should be adopted and submitted to county officials.*
    - *Stacy Meyer (Zoning Committee Chair): The proposal does not meet crystal city sector plan height limits, does not meet the GLUP amendment standards set forth, or affordable housing (not high density or near transit), does not keep with historic preservation plan or public sector master plan.*
    - *AHCA voted to oppose GLUP/Melrose plan, will be drafting letter in opposition for County Board.*
  - PenPlace (Shruti Kuppa)
  - Pentagon City PDSP (Shruti Kuppa)
  - Wendy's Site (Neal Hunter)
- Sparrow Pond Restoration Project (David Howell)
- Sports Commission (Mark Lincoln/Adam Rasmussen)
  - Rowing Update  
*Arlington is considering building a boat facility to support the rowing community in Arlington. Not much progress on it yet but there appears to be support for it in the community.*
  - FY 2023 DPR Budget Update  
*During the presentation, the additional cost for mowing was questioned as an extremely high increase. That was the only line item that drew comment.*
  - Athletic Fields Update  
*Updates on the status of the construction at Jenney Dean Park, the new artificial turf at TJ Upper, and the resurfacing of the artificial turf fields at Wakefield High School and Barcroft Park.*

- Vision Zero Action Plan Updates (Neal Hunter)
  - *The Vision Zero feedback from is live and available until March 28th [Vision Zero Feedback](#). This is an opportunity to provide the team information about any transportation issues and challenges. Two Vision Zero pop-up events are scheduled in the upcoming days:*
    - Trail Intersection at S Four Mile Run Dr / S Walter Reed Dr
      - Saturday, 3/19, 11am-2pm
      - *Intersection of S Four Mile Run Dr & S Walter Reed Dr*
    - Barcroft Community Center
      - Saturday, 3/26, 12pm-3pm
      - *4200 S Four Mile Run Dr, Arlington, VA 22206 – near fields*

## Other Business

- Letters to the County Board
  - PenPlace PMP and Design Guidelines and 4.1 Site Plan
    - There should be some considerations for site mitigation measures and other potential site area considerations (echoing many of the points provided by public commenter, Anne Bodine).
    - Commissioner Howell will lead the effort to write the PRC’s letter. The PRC will need to address the need for additional community contributions. The Commission should negotiate the most favorable of circumstances for site mitigation measures. The PRC could provide a few examples of what potential benefit priorities could be provided associated with this plan. Equitable financial balance for what the County/community will be getting and any other potential amenities that would be associated with that.
    - The editorial committee will consist of Commissioner Harnik, PRC Vice Chair Barker, and Commissioner Hickey.
  - Clarendon Sector Plan
    - The editorial committee will consist of Commissioner Barker, Commissioner Howell, and Commissioner Rasmussen. The letter will reiterate considerations for public space development opportunities within the neighborhood and constraints present within the fire station site.
    - Affordable housing considerations should be mentioned and how this may affect potential public space development. PRC Chair Kuppa will begin the thread for editing the letter.
- Program on Ecology and Segregation (link provided by Vice Chair Barker to the Commission), particularly of interest to those who would like to learn more about ending racial environmental injustice. [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-ecology-of-segregation-tickets-273060831297?aff=mailchimp&mc\\_cid=3e012db6d4&mc\\_eid=5bf13f9edd](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-ecology-of-segregation-tickets-273060831297?aff=mailchimp&mc_cid=3e012db6d4&mc_eid=5bf13f9edd)

**Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.**