

ARLINGTON COUNTY
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 414
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May 12, 2021

Honorable Matt de Ferranti
Chair, Arlington County Board
2100 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 300
Arlington, VA 22201

RE: Vision Zero Action Plan

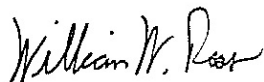
Dear Chair de Ferranti,

The Park and Recreation Commission would like to recognize the importance of the Vision Zero plan and offer the commission's support for the adoption of the plan to eliminate all transportation related fatalities in Arlington County by 2030.

The Vision Zero Action Plan recognizes the community value in creating safe, traversable streets and walkways throughout the county in a way that emphasizes visibility, accessibility, and equity. What is more, the Vision Zero plan, while creating a safer and more traversable urban environment will likely increase access and interaction with the existing parks and green spaces within the county. The action plan focuses on creating holistic change that improve the quality of life for residents in all aspects and reflects the type of proposals that align with the mission of the Park and Recreation Commission.

The Park and Recreation Commission has received presentations on numerous occasions outlining the Vision Zero Action Plan's goals, parameters, and focus. We have been impressed with their comprehensive data points, public engagement, and targeting specific accident-prone corridors within the county. Once again, the Commission believes that the adoption of these plans will create a safer urban environment that will enhance residents' abilities to more equitably enjoy all available amenities within the county.

Sincerely,



William Ross
Chair – Park and Recreation Commission

cc: Members, Arlington County Board
Mark Schwartz, Arlington County Manager
Greg Emanuel – Director, Department of Environmental Services
Jane Rudolph, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation