

ARLINGTON NEIGHBORHOODS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ArNAC)

Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2025

7 PM

Bozman Government Center

ArNAC representatives in attendance:

- Gretchen Carter (Alcova Heights) (Virtual)
- Eileen Janas (Arlington Heights) (Virtual)
- Lauren Bailey (Arlington Ridge)
- Carter Echols (Arlington View)
- Regina Wheeler (Arlington View)
- David Litman (Aurora Highlands / Vice Chair, ArNAC)
- Ken Hughes (Ballston – Virginia Square)
- Don Bennett (Barcroft)
- Chris George (Bluemont)
- Bernie Berne (Buckingham) (Virtual)
- Errin Scialpi (Cherrydale) (Virtual)
- Benjamin Simon (Claremont)
- John Kirkpatrick (Columbia Forest / Chair, ArNAC)
- Sarah McKinley (Columbia Heights)
- Kristen Gilley (Dominion Hills)
- Josue Bastidas (Douglas Park) (Virtual)
- Ed Hilz (Fairlington) (Virtual)
- Lisa McAvoy (Foxcroft Heights)
- Kathy Reeder (Glencarlyn)
- Cliff McCreedy (Highland Park-Overlee Knolls)
- Ayanna Brown (John M. Langston – formerly “High View Park”)
- Tabitha Ricketts (Lyon Park) (Virtual)
- Danielle Rampton (Madison Manor)
- Joanne Thornton (Maywood)
- Jolie Bain Pillsbury (North Highlands)
- Liz Weir (Old Dominion / Deputy Vice Chair, ArNAC)
- Bill Braswell (Tara-Leeway Heights)
- Alex Luchenitser (Waverly Hills) (Virtual)
- Jonathan Levine (Williamsburg)
- David Haring (Yorktown)

Staff in attendance:

- Laura Simpson (CPHD – NSD, Arlington Neighborhoods Program)
- Hannah Nicely (CPHD – NSD, Arlington Neighborhoods Program) (Virtual)
- Prudence Sheffield (CPHD – NSD, Arlington Neighborhoods Program)
- Naudy Martinez (CPHD – NSD, Arlington Neighborhoods Program)

- Sally Zehaye (CPHD – NSD) (Virtual)
- Chikwe Njoku (CPHD – NSD) (Virtual)

December ArNAC Meeting

1. Brief Neighborhood Report

- North Highlands – Jolie Bain Pillsbury stated the neighborhood has formed a new plan committee and started the process.
- Arlington View – Carter Echols introduced Regina Wheeler as the new alternate in helping with Arlington View.
- Claremont – Ben Simon introduced himself as the new Claremont ArNAC representative.

2. Public Comment

- No comments submitted.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve the December 2024 minutes. Motion was made by Bill Braswell, second by Lisa McAvoy
 - i. Approved unanimously. All in favor, zero opposed, 1 abstention

4. Officers and Staff Report

Officers Report:

- County Board Member JD Spain is the new CB Liaison to ArNAC for 2025.
- ArNAC meeting attendance tracking: Per the Committee's bylaws, a neighborhood which is not represented by its primary or alternate representative for three consecutive, regularly scheduled monthly meetings is to be placed on probation. To be counted for attendance, either the representative or alternate must attend. Attendance is not counted for a general resident from the CA. Clarifications for attendance and an updated electronic meeting policy will be reviewed and voted on at the February ArNAC meeting.
- Kathy Reeder provided an update regarding the Equity Subcommittee. They are eagerly anticipating new projects. If interested in submitting a project request as an equity project, Representatives should check the neighborhood equity map to determine if their neighborhood qualifies and submit a form with their project request. The form is on the ArNAC website. Deadline is the 28th of February. Reach out to Kathy with questions.

Staff Report:

- Qualified projects that were voted on at the ArNAC 2024 Fall Funding Round will go to the County Board in March for funding approval.
- ArNAC's available Bond funds for the 2025 Spring Funding Round is \$6 million (which includes \$1 million set aside for equity projects).

5. Discussion/Action Items

- **Post-Fall 2024 1st Priority Project Queue List (with new pilot points allocation)**

- i. David Litman presented the evolution of proposed modifications to the 1st Priority Project Queue List. He went over the new points categories and categories where carryover points are now located. The goal is to provide traceability for what happened to existing points. David noted that no projects lost points with these changes. Asterisks next to points categories on the list show where points were re-categorized.
- ii. ANP staff provided the new 1st Priority Project List following December's Funding Round approvals. This list utilizes the points categories per the changes presented by David to the committee.

If any members have questions regarding application of points, reach out to ANP Staff Planner Anika Chowdhury.

- **ArNAC Roundtables – Q&A of Representative's Current Understanding (ANP & ArNAC)**

- i. Committee members broke into small groups to answer and informally discuss questions focused on their perception of what ANP is and the role of ArNAC.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:53 p.m.