

Park and Recreation Commission Meeting

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

AGENDA

Chairman's Introduction and Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes (7:00-7:05)

- Commission consideration of February 22, 2022 minutes

Public Comment (7:05-7:15)

** Park and Recreation Commission public comment is open to all with a 3-minute limit per person.*

PenPlace Park Master Plan and Design Guidelines Presentation and Discussion [Marco Rivero, DPR and Amazon/JBG Smith/SCAPE Landscape Architecture] (7:15-7:45)

2021 Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award [Dean Foster/Melissa Riggio] (7:45-8:00)

- PRC Vote on Nominees

Staff Report (8:00-8:05)

Commission Member Reports (8:05-8:20)

- 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 23rd Street South) Special GLUP Study (Kevin Manuel)
 - 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 (8:20-8:30)

- Letters to the County Board
 - PenPlace PMP and Design Guidelines and 4.1 Site Plan
 - Clarendon Sector Plan

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m. ([Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams](#))