

Park and Recreation Commission Meeting

Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting:

Virtual Meeting Conference Access Links:

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AGENDA

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

- Commission consideration of the June 24, 2025 minutes
- Re-adoption of the *PRC Policy Governing Virtual Meetings and Remote Participation in Meetings* (previously adopted July 16, 2024).

Public Comment (7:05-7:15)

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

Discussion with Paul Gilbert, Executive Director, NOVA Parks (7:15-8:00)

2026 Legislative Priorities PRC Discussion (8:00-8:20)

Staff Report (8:20-8:25)

Commission Member Reports (8:25-8:35)

**New or Potential appointments are noted in purple below.*

**Items identified for PRC discussion in green.*

- 55+ (William Way)
 - On June 23, DPR cancelled all outdoor parks & recreation programming after 11 a.m. due to an Extreme Heat Warning. Cooling centers were available at libraries, community centers, "spraygrounds," and shopping malls per county website. Arlington has 7 water parks.
 - DPR launched Reading Buddies program where 55+ participants were paired with preschoolers to read together for 30 minutes at Lubber Run Community Center

beginning Monday, June 9, 2025. Takes place once a month and next date is August 11.

- *Beginning July 1, volunteer Ravi Dat will provide one-on-one tech support sessions at Arlington Mill to troubleshoot phones, tablets, laptops. Hours are Tuesdays through August 10-11.*
- *Registration opened (July 7 - August 29, 2025) for Northern Virginia Senior Olympics while the Olympics themselves are in September all over NOVA.*
- *Attorney Alison Lambeth presented "Estate Planning 101" workshop on July 7 at Aurora Hills Center.*
- *DPR honored 55+ volunteers and the Senior Advisory Council at its volunteer leadership luncheon at the Jefferson on June 25.*
- Arlington Public Schools (APS) (Gerald Brandt)
- Bill Thomas Park Volunteer Award 2024 (Claire Pascocello/William Way)
- Crystal and Pentagon Cities Council (CPCC) (**Vacant**)
- Forestry and Natural Resources Commission (Neal Hunter)
- Gateway Park Post-Approval Development (Gary Shinnars)
- Gulf Branch Stream Restoration (Alex Sanders/Gary Shinnars)
- Metro Market Square, Park Master Plan and Design Guidelines (Andrew Damitio/Erika Allen)
- Natural Resources Joint Advisory Group (NRJAG) (Gary Shinnars)
- Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee (NCAC) (**Vacant**)
- Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC) (Neal Hunter)
- Public Spaces Master Plan (PSMP) Implementation Advisory Committee (IAC) (Jill Barker/Gary Shinnars)
- Public Facilities Review Committee (PFRC) (Adam Rasmussen)
- Site Plan Review Committee (SPRC) and Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC)
 - ***For all special exception, private development projects (site plans and use permit applications), please see the following webpage:***
<https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Projects/Private-Development>

ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- 1601 Fairfax Dr. – Inn of Rosslyn (David Earley)
- 1901 Ft. Myer Dr. – One Rosslyn (Formerly Rosslyn Gateway) (Claire Pascocello/Jill Barker)
- 2500 Wilson Boulevard (Daniel Garay)
- 3130 Langston Boulevard – Walgreens Site (Melissa Riggio/David Earley)
- 4201 31st Street South – Shirlington House (Nelson Dimpter)
- 4601 Fairfax Drive – Ballston One (Andrew Damitio/Melissa Riggio)
- 6045 Wilson Boulevard Special GLUP Study (Jill Barker)
- Arlington County Comprehensive Plan Update (Gary Shinnars)
- River House Neighborhood – 1111 Army Navy Dr. (Gary Shinnars)

ON-HOLD, REACTIVATING SOON OR EXPIRED:

- 1320 N. Courthouse Road Special GLUP Study (Gary Shinnars/Jill Barker)
 - Crystal City Block W – 2541 Crystal Drive (Claire Pascocello)
 - Crystal Plaza Apartments – 2101 and 2111 Richmond Hwy (Jill Barker/Gary Shinnars)
 - Fort Henry Gardens (Jill Barker)
 - Wakefield Manor (Jill Barker/**Vacant**)
 - Wells Fargo/Verizon Site (Adam Rasmussen/**Vacant**)
 - YMCA Site – 3400 13th Street North (Melissa Riggio/Adam Rasmussen)
- Sports Commission (Adam Rasmussen)
 - Transportation Plan Advisory Group (Daniel Garay/**Vacant**)
 - Vision Zero External Stakeholders Group (ESG) (Neal Hunter)

Other Business (8:35-8:55)

- County Transportation Vision and Goals Discussion
- SPRC Discussion Procedures
- PRC Leadership Succession Planning and Recruitment
- Letters to the County Board
 - Ballston One Site Plan
 - One Rosslyn Site Plan

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 26, 2025, 6:00 p.m. (Gateway Park Tour at 1300 Langston Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22209)

- *Please meet outside the plaza area/sand box adjacent to the interim dog park on the west side of Gateway Park.*