Eric Keeler opened the meeting at thanked ARHA for hosting the event. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to allow the consulting parties to vote on the provided mitigation suggestions that were previously forwarded in writing by the consulting parties. He reported that the mitigation suggestions received by consulting parties had been distributed with the invitation for this Responses were received from: Parker-Gray Board of Architectural Review (dated 1/6/2017); Alexandria Black History Museum (dated 1/5/2017); Alexandria Archaeological (dated 12/29/2017); and ARHA (dated 1/9/2017). In addition to the mitigation suggestions received, the consulting parties were provided with Department of Historic Resources (January 5, 2017) formal comments on the Project and adverse effects on archaeological and architectural resources. All of this information was provided in advance of the meeting so that the discussion could be productive.

In addition, there were materials assembled by ARHA and made available in an open house forum that occurred 30 minutes ahead of the formal start to the meeting. These materials had previously been provided or were available for review on the City and vhdlc websites but were available in hard copy at this meeting for review by any of the attendees. Those materials included the following:

1. Advisory Council Letter (February 13, 2017);
2. Letter to DPR (April 18, 2016);
3. Alexandria Black History Museum (January 5, 2017);
4. ARHA Letter (January 9, 2017);
5. Letter to DPR (January 5, 2017);
6. Alexandria Archaeology (December 29, 2016);
7. Alexandria Archeological Commission (January 6, 2017);
8. Department of Planning and Zoning (Parker-Gray BAR) (January 6, 2017);
9. Historic Alexandria Foundation (November 29, 2016);
10. Resource Management Plan (Draft);
11. Historic American Buildings Survey;
12. Washington Post Article (October 5, 1946);
13. Historic Context and Significance Statement;
14. Memorandum to HDHR (9-30-16);
15. Historic American Building Survey (Dec. 2015);

The list of mitigation suggestions had been assembled and organized into a handout which Mr. Keeler distributed to the attendees. The suggestions were also displayed on a series of flip charts. The attendees were provided with five yellow dots for the purpose of voting for their five top mitigation suggestions. The following ideas received the most votes at the meeting:

- Create an exhibit on African-American housing patterns in Alexandria Black History;
- Hire a genealogical consultant to research Ramsey Homes residents;
- Install a plaque and/or way finding sign with site history;
- Perform a careful dismantling of one structures that will include exploratory evaluation of construction techniques;
- Offer public tours of building prior to demolition to study construction and materials;
- Perform a laser scan and create a 3-D architectural model.

Following are a number of images of mitigation suggestions with yellow dot “votes” beside the preferred suggestion.
These mitigation ideas provide opportunities to share the history and documented broader audience such as through a website and other digital platforms as well as by preservation outreach strategies in the broader community.

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Given the limited number of attendees, the results were not deemed to be final and it was announced that the city staff would conduct a Survey Monkey poll as a means to generate additional input from the consulting parties as well as the public at large. The survey would be conducted over the next several weeks.

Mr. Keeler thanked the consulting parties for their continuing interest in the Ramsey Homes project and adjourned the meeting.