

# City of Alexandria

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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** JUNE 20, 2016

**TO:** JENNIFER ATKINS, CHAIR, PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**FROM:** MARK B. JINKS, CITY MANAGER 

**SUBJECT:** UPDATE ON CAMERON RUN PLANNING PROCESS

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Thank you for your thoughtful testimony at the City Council Public Hearing on June 18 on the lease for Cameron Run Regional Park, as well as that of several other Commission members. As you are aware, instead of considering a lease extension with NOVA Parks at this time, Council has directed staff to develop a planning process to include community stakeholders, including the Park & Recreation Commission.

RPCA staff have begun to consider how best to proceed with this process. They will be discussing this with you and receiving your input at your meeting this Thursday. Staff will continue to work with you and other stakeholders over the summer to finalize a process and timeline that can be shared with City Council in the fall.

I appreciate your continued efforts to support and advocate for City recreational facilities and activities. Your participation has helped ensure a thoughtful discussion will continue related to the future of Cameron Run Park. This planning process should provide a framework for the future uses and activities for the park.

cc: Park and Recreation Commission Members  
Emily Baker, Deputy City Manager  
James Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities