

City of Alexandria, Virginia

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Public Hearing and Regular Meeting

Thursday, June 18, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

Patrick Henry Recreation Center

4625 Taney Avenue

(In Gymnasium)

Alexandria, VA 22304

Agenda

- I.** Call to Order: by Jennifer Akins and Judith Coleman, Co-Chairs.
- II.** Public Hearing: Recommendation for Programming of the New Patrick Henry Recreation Center.
- III.** Items for Information:
 - A. Public Comments. The Commission will receive brief comments on non-agenda items. Commenters should arrive promptly at the start of the meeting and prepare to keep comments to three minutes or less.
- IV.** Items for Action:
 - A. Approval of Minutes of April 16, 2015, April 23, 2015.
- V.** RPCA Staff Updates:
 - A. Director's Report.
 - B. Division Updates: Recreation Services; Park Operations; Public Information, Special Events and Waterfront Operations; and Park Planning, Design and Capital Development.
 - C. Annual Report and Attendance Report Discussion.
- VI.** Election of Officers.
- VII.** Commission Business and Reports from Commissioners by District (verbal updates):
 - A. Dog Park Master Plan Subcommittee Proposal
- VIII.** Next Meeting: Agenda items and location for July 16, 2015.

Park & Recreation Commission Public Hearing June 18, 2015

Staff Recommendation for Programming a new Patrick Henry Recreation Center

Based on the needs assessments, findings from the community process, and the cost estimates provided through the Recreation Center Feasibility Study, staff recommends the City continue to work with ACPS on a site plan/design option that includes a level of programming consistent with a **Neighborhood Recreation Center** based on the following:

- Provides sufficient space for school and after school related programming;
 - Potential program offerings provided under the Neighborhood Recreation Center address needs identified in the 2008 Patrick Henry study, 2013 Citywide Recreation & Parks Needs Assessment, the 2014 Patrick Henry Recreation Center Needs Assessment, and findings from the June 2015 online survey;
 - The Neighborhood Recreation Center model is most similar to other recreation centers (Mount Vernon, Cora Kelly and Ramsay) that successfully provide programs within their neighborhoods;
 - The Neighborhood Recreation Center cost estimate for design and construction is within the current \$6.8 million budget proposed in the FY 2016-FY 2025 CIP; and
 - The Neighborhood Recreation Center provides programming options for users beyond the school children/families, thus expanding the public benefit of the capital investment.
- [Staff Recommendation Memo - June 17, 2015 \(Full Download\)](#)

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 18, 2015

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

**FROM: WILLIAM CHESLEY, ^{WC}DEPUTY DIRECTOR
RECREATION SERVICES DIVISION**

**SUBJECT: JUNE 18 COMMISSION MEETING, ITEM V-B
RECREATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES REPORT**

Program Wrap-Ups

- May 20 concluded the five-week **Nerf Zombie Survival Training** program at Charles Barrett Recreation Center. This program targeted boys and girls ages 7-12 seeking high-energy, role-playing activities. This new program attracted 15 participants, and generated \$1335 in revenue.
- On May 21, 25 participants successfully completed the **English as Second Language (ESL)** program at Cora Kelly Recreation Center. The 8-month class introduced students to the basic structures and vocabulary of the English language through reading, writing, speaking, and listening. ESL classes are free of charge except for text and materials.
- Cora Kelly Recreation Center collaborated with Eudora Ballet to provide free **Ballet and Modern Dance Classes** to 20 youth participating in their Out of School Time programs. Beginner and intermediate level students were challenged creatively, artistically, and physically on a weekly basis. The dancers performed in three center events and a Spring Dance Recital.
- During the month of May, youth at William Ramsay and Patrick Henry Recreation Centers participated in the **Cooking Matters program**. Ms. Jennifer Abel of the 4-H program taught 19 youth a fun way to learn how to make nutritious meals.





- The Successful Aging Committee hosted its **2nd Annual Robust Walkathon** on April 29. Dr. Dan Kulund from the Commission on Aging showed participants how to weave low-intensity exercises into a walk. In preparation for the event, several workshops were held to introduce Robust Walking and a walking club was started in the Del Ray community. More than 40 seniors were in attendance and \$800 were raised in registration fees and donations that would support future events hosted by the Successful Aging Committee.



- On May 27, the Successful Aging Committee hosted its **Annual Senior Health and Fitness Fair** at the Lee Center. The theme of the event was keeping older Americans healthy and fit. Always set for the last Wednesday in May, National Senior Health & Fitness Day is the nation's largest annual health promotion event for older adults. Over 100 participants attended a panel presentation on Maintaining Good Mental Health and six health and wellness activities that included yoga, line dancing, blood pressure screenings, cooking demonstrations and hearing tests.



- The **Creative Aging Festival** celebrates of Older Americans Month, and includes over 100 events throughout the month of May. Mount Vernon Recreation Center participated by hosting a Senior Night featuring the Choreographers Collaboration Project, a modern dance company based in Alexandria, gave a wonderful performance to 80 attendees. A light reception was held after the concert.



- On May 25, the “Friends of Captain Rocky Versace” hosted the **12th Annual Memorial Day Ceremony** at the Captain Rocky Versace Plaza and Vietnam Veterans’ Memorial at Mount Vernon Recreation Center. Over 200 attendees enjoyed the program which included reading the names of the 67 heroes, a Tribute to Captain Rocky Versace written by his fellow POW, Colonel James N. "Nick" Rowe (USMA 1960), guest speakers, a wreath laying, playing of "Taps" and the singing of "God Bless America.”
- **The Boxercise program** at Charles Houston Recreation Center is designed to provide a cardio workout using basic boxing fundamentals. The Spring Program had 18 enrollments and \$1220 in revenue.

Program Update

Out of School Time FY13 through FY15 Summer/School Year Participant and Revenue Comparison

	FY-15 School YTD 05/31/15	FY-14 Actuals School YTD 05/31/14	FY-14 Actuals School Year 13-14	FY-13 Actuals School Year 12- 13	FY-15 Actuals Summer 2014	FY-14 Actuals Summer 2013	FY-13 Actuals Summer 2012
Program Fee	\$415	\$300	\$300	\$250	\$100	\$50	\$50
Satisfaction %	92%	92%	92%	92%	96%	92%	95%
Registration #	1,198	1,240	1,243	1,296	1,332	1,373	1,422
OSTP Revenue	\$355,495	\$266,715	\$268,536	\$212,225	\$103,100	\$54,352	\$32,067
Fee Assistance (Discounts)	\$126,113	\$87,208	\$87,608	\$73,050	\$28,715	\$13,798	\$3,870
Fees Charged	*\$498,998	*\$365,171	\$366,071	\$308,031	\$133,965	\$68,622	\$36,205

*Fees paid in installments.

- **American Red Cross Learn to swim program** is essential to the water safety of the community. Spring enrollment at our indoor pool as of May 30 (session ends in June) is 483 registered, 69 waitlisted in 70 class offerings generating \$51,034 in revenues. Summer session begins in July and currently has 61 classes with enrollments, 356 participants registered, and \$33,306 fees collected. \$11,727 is attributed to Summer outdoor swim classes. Registration is ongoing. Aquatics Recreation Manager, **Ralph Baird** was a guest on the Mayor's monthly TV program for June to promote the many aquatic programs available this summer

- Private swim instruction currently provides lessons to 81 participants generating \$23,935 in revenues.
- William Ramsay Recreation Center Out of School Time participants are learning the importance of fighting obesity by participating in **Tae Bo**. This total body fitness system incorporates martial arts techniques and is a fun way to get fit!
 
- **Outdoor Pools are Now Open!** City Outdoor Pools opened May 23 with expanded hours offered at both Old Town and Memorial Pools. Capital Improvement Program funds were used to replace the warped gutter grating system at the Old Town pool. Outdoor Pool Season Passes are available and sales have gotten off to a great start. As of June 15, 12 outdoor pool seasonal passes have been sold, generating \$2,070 in revenue. These passes provide pool guests the opportunity to visit frequently without bringing cash for daily admissions.
- **Summer Camp** registration has started with a bang! As of June 7, revenue for Summer Camps is \$230,000 compared to \$169,000 this time last year.

Upcoming Programs & Events

- The **Cora Kelly Teen Club** will host an open house on June 18 at Cora Kelly Recreation Center. Teens and parents are invited to enjoy light refreshments and learn about the upcoming 2015-2016 school year. The afterschool Teen Club is offered to teens in grades 6 - 9, and provides many educational, social and physical activities.
- Chinquapin Park Recreation Center & Aquatics Facility will host **Family Fun Night** featuring Cora Kelly School on Friday, June 19. Activities will include swimming for all ages, beach ball relays, basketball, floating obstacle course, pool safety tips, summer camp registration, swimming skill assessments for youth, Wahoo Swim Team sign up, and a Nature Center exhibit. May 22's Family Fun Night featured Polk School, and attracted 230 participants with \$920 in revenue.
- **Girls Fast-pitch Softball Championship** games are on June 18. Championship games The National Division (ages 9 - 11) game will begin at and American Division (ages 12 & up) game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Special Features

- RPCA submitted the winning photo of the **2015 National Park Trust "Kids to Parks" Day Photo Contest**. Mac Slover, Director of Sports, submitted the entry. Katherine Fogden, mother of Josette who ran for the Nannie J. Lee Center, took the photo.



Staff Updates

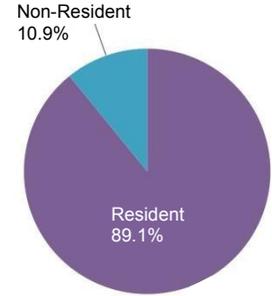
- **Gary Anderson** is the Employee of the Month for May. He is a Manager on Duty at Chinquapin Park Recreation Center & Aquatics Facility and was nominated and selected for exceptional work in his daily responsibilities, program support and for being an overall team player.
- Recreation Leader I - Lifeguards: **Jada Tooté, Brynne Ware-Colantuoni, Raul Lopez, Graciella Vinda-Rodriguez, and Charles Pabon** are being promoted to Recreation Leader II - Pool Operators after completing the National Swimming Pool Foundation Certified Pool Operator Course offered by the Alexandria Health Department. Recreation Leader II - Pool Operator **Karaamah Jones** has been selected to become a Recreation Leader III - Head Pool Operator stationed at the Memorial Pool this summer.
- **Lucresha Murphy** was hired on May 11, as the new Classes & Camps Recreation Coordinator for the Recreation Services Division. Lucresha is a native of the City of Alexandria and is a graduate of our very own T.C. Williams High School. She comes to us from the YMCA of Metropolitan Washington where she worked 13 years in management overseeing branch operations, facility management, and staff supervision. She holds a Bachelor's Degree from Virginia State University in Physical Education and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix.

Marketing

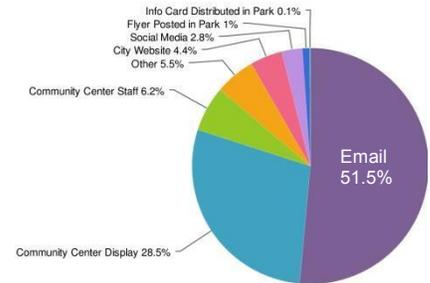
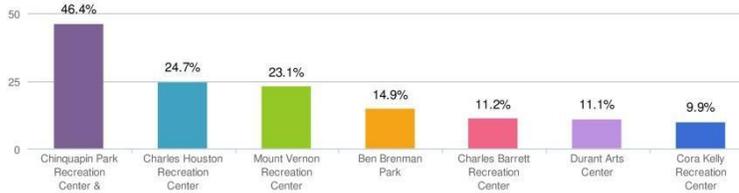
- RPCA's 2nd annual Program Interest Survey was open to the public for 8 weeks, April 18-June 12 and yielded more than 1,600 responses online and in-person at Recreation Centers. The survey yields valuable data about programming preferences by type, location and time of day by age group and will help determine programming by location. The survey was promoted via social media, electronic and print displays in Recreation Centers, eNews, list servs, personalized direct emails, and City and Recreation homepages. A summary of the results is below and detailed results will be available to the public online by the end of June.

2015 Program Interest Survey Results Summary

YOUTH Ages 0-17	70.1%		1,136
ADULTS Ages 18 and up	77.9%		1,263
Total			1,621



Location Preference



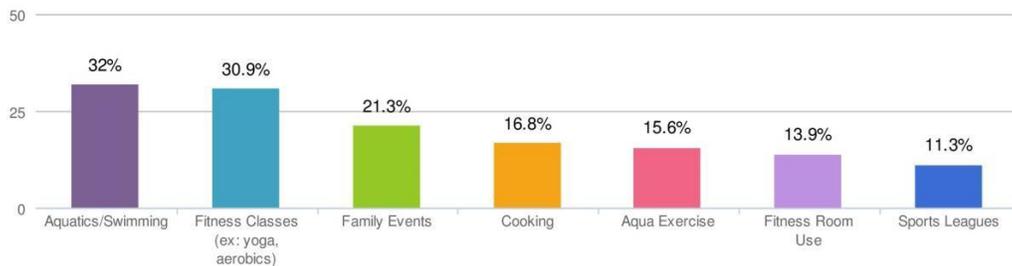
ADULTS

Age Breakdown and Time Preference for ADULTS (Ages 18 and up)

Ages 18-34	27.4%	
Ages 35-54	61.0%	
Ages 55 and up	25.6%	

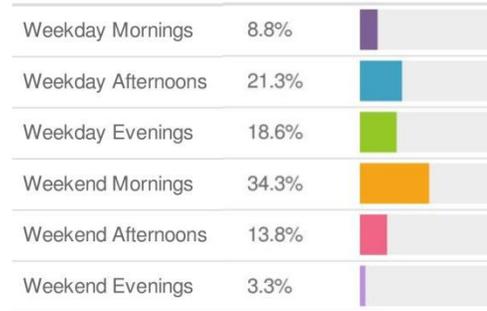
Weekday Mornings	19.9%	
Weekday Afternoons	7.0%	
Weekday Evenings	33.3%	
Weekend Mornings	18.1%	
Weekend Afternoons	16.4%	
Weekend Evenings	5.3%	

Top Program Preferences for ADULTS (Ages 18 and up)

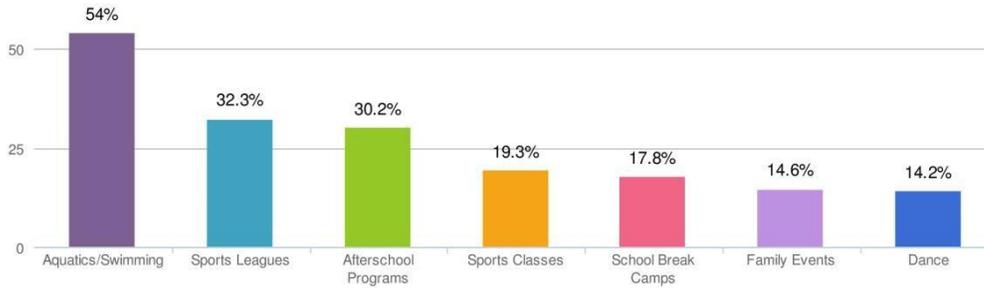


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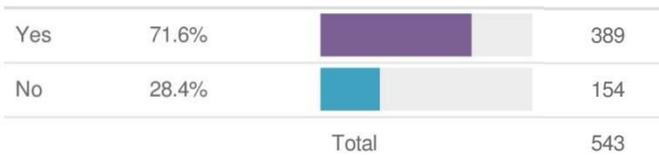
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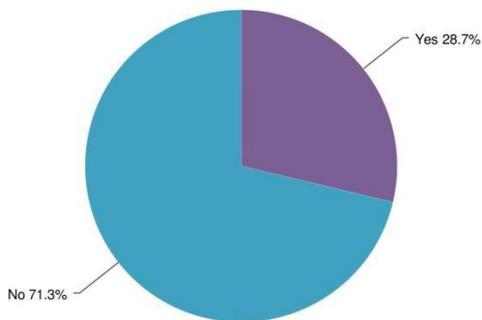
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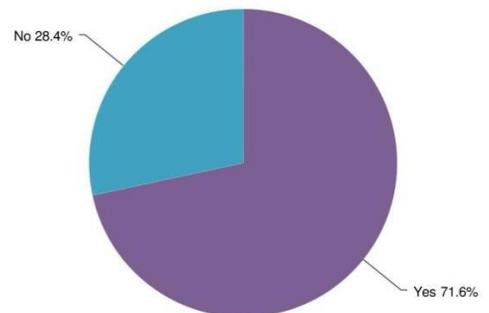
Interest in YOUTH programs that extend the school day



Before Care (6-8 a.m.)



Extended Afterschool (6-8 p.m.)



City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 18, 2015

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: DINESH TIWARI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR - PARK OPERATIONS
RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

THROUGH: JAMES SPENGLER, DIRECTOR, RPCA

SUBJECT: PARK OPERATIONS MONTHLY UPDATE - ITEM V-B

1. PARK AND FACILITIES MAINTENANCE:

Spring and summer season activities include special projects, inspecting park amenities, trail surfaces, paintable objects and improving turf nutrient management practices:

- Simpson Dog Park recently received a long awaited improvement when the on demand lighting system was installed and activated. The project was the result of a community sponsored initiative. Depicted here is the donors sign that was unveiled at the opening ceremony which was held last month. The on demand system will allow dog park users to enjoy the park after dusk in the fall and winter months.



- Through the hard work of volunteers, Spring for Alexandria was a big success. Many passionate and enthusiastic people responded to the call of volunteers to help beautify

some of the City's parks. These young ladies did a great job in cleaning up and beautifying Angel Park.



- Due to the heavy rains this spring, staff worked diligently at Ben Brenman Stormwater Management Pond removing debris that washed down stream. These efforts go a long way towards reducing the pollutants and debris that could enter into our bay.



- Minnie Howard restrooms recently received a face lift to extend the life of the facility while it awaits improvements that are scheduled to occur under the CIP program. Staff pressure washed the entire facility, painted the floors, walls and repaired the lights.

- Potomac Yards Interactive Fountain was inspected and opened for public use – This park feature is attracting a large number of families and young children to the park.



- Staff began aeration of all natural turf fields as part of our nutrient management program. As part of our synthetic turf program, staff continues to inspect, groom and repair all synthetic ball fields throughout the city.



- Special projects included enhancing our users experience by installing practice boards at three tennis courts located on the East End of the city.



- The 2014 Adopt-a-Park Program has been closed with issuance of awards to all program participants. The 2015 program registration applications continue to come in. On June 10th, City Council authorized staff to submit a grant application to the State of Virginia for another year of funding for this program.
- Staff continued with the implementation of the park furniture replacement program funded with capital funds. Installation of City standard bleachers, picnic tables, benches and trash cans on concrete pads will continue through this fall season.



- Staff continues to work in Park Light inspection and timer management. Irrigation systems de-winterization and repairs are 100% completed. The third annual playground safety inspection is completed. No significant issue to report at this time. The second phase of the Maxicom (Centralized Irrigation Management System) assessment was completed. The preliminary field report is in progress. The work on Annual Fixed Asset Inventory will begin next week.
- On-going services include bi-weekly mowing, landscaped bed maintenance and mulching, and weed abatement throughout the City. 257 locations (schools, public facilities, parks, and rights-of-way) are scheduled for these services and integrated into CityWork to track contractor's work and inspection. The schedules of most of these services are posted on RPCA's public website. See below for the hanging baskets installed at City Hall.



- Custodial Services staff participated in the first Custodial Academy that will also help initiate "Green Cleaning" approach for RPCA. The Academy included staff training for Restroom Cleaning, Procedures and Products. Aspects such as chemical management, cleaning process and non-chemical intervention procedures to assist with sanitizing and disinfecting.



2. NATURAL LANDS MANAGEMENT

- Invasive Plant Management
 - Staff supervised the May 15, 2015 Spring for Alexandria Invasive Plant Removal Workday at Fort Williams Park. Twenty-nine volunteers filled two 30 yard dumpsters with non-native invasive plants removed from the park, as well as forty-nine 3 cu. ft. bags of Garlic Mustard.
 - Staff helped organize and supervised the May 16, 2015 Trail Connector and Invasive Plant Workday at Upper Fort Williams Park initiated by T.C. Williams High School student Jackson Moser. Twenty volunteers removed 3 truckloads of English Ivy, Burning Bush, and other noxious weeds from the park, as well as cleaned up litter and re-routed the ends of the existing small trail to more accessible areas.
 - Staff supervised our specialist non-native invasive plant contractor Invasive Plant Control (IPC) in the large-scale treatment of Tree-of-Heaven, Bush Honeysuckle, and other entrenched invasives at Goat Hill Park and Windmill Hill Park.
 - Staff participated in the June 11, 2015 National Capital Region EPMT (Exotic Plant Management Team) and DC-CWMA (Cooperative Weed Management Area) Invasive Plant Management Training.



Volunteers removing English Ivy and other non-native invasive plants from Fort Williams Park.

- Cooperative Initiatives
 - City of Alexandria Herbarium (AVCH) donated 5 mounted and labelled herbarium specimens collected from Alexandria to the Western Carolina University Herbarium (WCUH) for identification.
 - Staff assisted Smithsonian Institution botanists and researchers at the Patuxent Research Refuge-North Tract in natural community inventory and classification.
 - Staff supervised T.C. Williams High School Senior Experience intern Cameron Heyder with various activities for 3 weeks, with the highlight being the complete renovation and planting of a stormwater management/rain garden and Monarch Waystation/pollinator garden at Charles Hill Park.
 - Staff assisted Park Operations and Elizabeth Wright of the Holmes Run Park Committee in supervising inmates removing Garlic Mustard from Holmes Run Park. Nine volunteers pulled twenty-two 3 cu. ft. bags of Garlic Mustard from the park.
 - Staff assisted volunteer Jim Clark in removing 3 heaping truckloads of pulled Garlic Mustard from Chinquapin Park and the adjoining First Baptist Church property along Taylor Run.
 - Staff assisted with ecological restoration plantings at the Beatley Bog.



Scott Graham (l) and Cameron Heyder (r) and completed installation of native Swamp Rose and river gravel in front of the storm drain at Charles Hill Park.

- Environmental Review
 - Reviewed plans and provided comments for the Braddock and Commonwealth Dog Park planting.
 - Conducted an onsite environmental review and site survey of Polk Avenue Park with Park Planning.
 - Reviewed and provided comments for the Beverly Park Slope Stabilization Study and 30% plans.

3. JEROME “BUDDIE” FORD NATURE CENTER

- Programs/Updates:

The Naturalist staff of the Jerome “Buddie” Ford Nature Center conducted 64 interpretive programs in May that were attended by 938 participants. This included two birthday parties, an evening Family Fun Night at Chinquapin Recreation Center and three libraries programs in conjunction with “All Alexandria Reads”. Attendance for visitors to the Nature Center was 776 additional people.

All Alexandria Reads:

Throughout the month of May, the Alexandria Libraries sponsored events in conjunction with selected book reading of “Big Stone Gap” by Adriana Trigiani. This book is set in rural Virginia. The Nature Center was asked to participate in this event by presenting programs about the animals of Virginia at the Beatley Central, Burke Branch and Duncan Branch libraries. More than 70 children and their parents attended these nature programs.

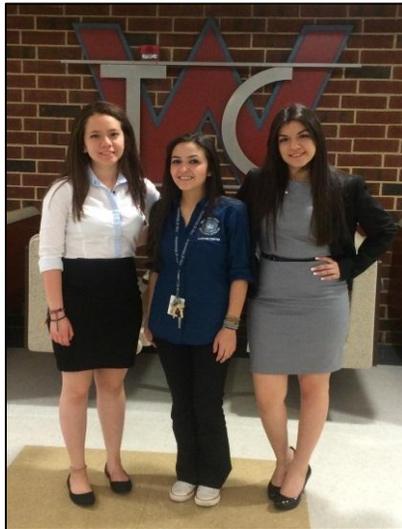


- Volunteers and Interns:

A total of 8 volunteers provided 62 hours of service during the month of May. Two students, Karla Solis and Melany Guerrero from TC Williams International School completed their internships at the Nature Center. Mentored by Program Coordinator, Majd Jarrar, the students came to the center beginning in January and finishing in May, working on alternating school days. Their final presentation was a poster board and a short talk about an animal of their choosing from the center’s collection. With the success of these two students, the Nature Center staff plans to continue mentoring students from this program.

- Staff:

Lauren Harper has joined the Nature Center as a part-time Naturalist. She has degree in biology from Radford University and has been a research assistant and field interpreter with George Mason University's Potomac Environmental Research and Education Center's Watershed Education Program. Lauren has also worked as a nature camp counselor at Cub Run RECenter in Chantilly, Virginia.



- Noteworthy:

The bird watchers, dog walkers and friends of Dora Kelley Nature Park were all thrilled with the pair of Pileated woodpeckers that nested in a snag along Holmes Run Stream. Many avid photographers watched the parents feeding the two youngsters. The Nature Center would like to thank the many people who kept watch of antics of these birds and photographed their growth. The photographs below are courtesy of Linda Shapiro.



City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 18, 2015

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: JACK BROWAND, DIVISION CHIEF *Jack Browand*
PUBLIC RELATIONS, SPECIAL EVENTS & WATERFRONT OPERATIONS
RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION: ITEM V-B.
DIVISION UPDATE

WINDMILL HILL PARK SHORELINE REHABILITATION

On June 13, 2015, City Council unanimously approved an amendment to the 2003 park plan and authorized the City Manager to implement the community preferred Living Shoreline option to replace the current deteriorated bulkhead and to stabilize the shoreline. Final design will occur in FY 2017 with planned construction to begin in July 2017.

- [Windmill Hill Park Living Shoreline – June 13, 2015 Approved Concept](#)

L 'HERMIONE TALL SHIP VISIT

The City welcomed the arrival of the French frigate, L 'Hermione, on Wednesday, June 10. For its three-day stay in port, City staff, VistAlexandria and the Potomac Riverboat Company coordinated:

- A public welcome ceremony with more than 300 in attendance and advance tours for 200;
- Managed 21.5 hours of public visitation allowing approximately 5,000 individuals to tour the vessel; and
- An estimated 12,000 to 15,000 visitors saw the vessel during its three-day stay resulting in a significant uptick in restaurant meals, shopping and hotel visits over this period

WATERFRONT OPERATIONS WELCOMES THREE INTERNS

Waterfront Operations will receive assistance in developing proposals and monitoring work activities associated with the implementation of division CIP/CFMP projects this summer. Projects include ADA compliance projects in the City Marina; automatic payment system for transient boaters; sand volleyball court renovations; park trail enhancements and other associated maintenance activities.

- Ana Vicinanza**
 Ana is a second year Masters student in Urban and Regional Planning at Virginia Tech. She holds a Bachelor at Virginia Tech, double majoring in Public and Urban Affairs and International Studies. She is interested in physical planning, specifically concentrating in downtown revitalization initiatives knowing how downtowns play a huge role in defining a community. An interesting fact about Anna is that she spent the year between undergrad and graduate school traveling to twenty-three different countries.
- Hung Truong**
 Hung is a rising-third year undergraduate student majoring in Urban and Environmental Planning at the University of Virginia. Hung became interested in the field of planning his senior year of high school after taking a Geography class taught by an influential professor. In his downtime, he enjoys reading, listening to contemporary music, running, cycling, swimming, tennis, racing marathons and triathlons. Hung has had the opportunity to travel in recent years to Portland, San Sal, San Francisco, Vietnam, and Singapore.
- Shubha Punase**
 Shuba, in addition to assisting RPCA, she is also working as a GIS Analyst Intern at City's GIS division. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from MANIT, Bhopal (India) and is currently a graduate student for Masters in Urban and Regional Planning (MURP) at Virginia Tech NCR. She has over five years of professional experience working in architectural design and construction industry, primarily on large-scale high-rise/multifamily/single-family housing and community planning projects in India. Her interests include land use planning, historic preservation, environmental planning, economic development, and community outreach. Apart from the professional work, she has also worked as a volunteer Co-coordinator for numerous cultural events for the non-profit organization SPIC MACAY (Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth) at the regional and city level in India. She is also passionate about art, design, music, and technology.

COMMUNITY EVENTS: JUNE - JULY 2015

Jun 18, 2015	Thu	7:00 PM	Music at Twilight Concert-John Carlyle Square Park City concert series with a performance by E & Me featuring Jazz. Feel free to bring chairs or a blanket and a picnic supper.
Jun 19, 2015	Fri	6:00 PM	Family Fun Night Bring the whole family to Family Fun Nights for swimming and fun for all ages on Friday evenings. Pool games include beach ball relays, water basketball, diving for prizes and fun on the 'Aqua Challenge' floating obstacle course. Participate in swimming skill assessments for youth, learn pool safety tips and more.
Jun 20, 2015	Sat	9:00 AM	Beat the Heat Racquetball Tournament Ages 18 & up. Join in the fun with this double elimination tournament for singles and doubles, divided by age groups: Men and/or Women 18-34, 35-50, 51-65 and 66 & over. Tournament will be played Saturday and/or Sunday. To participate, register for activity #423210.

Jun 20, 2015	Sat	6:00 PM	Wine on the Water Annual Wine tasting fundraiser held in partnership with the Alexandria Seaport Foundation and Grape & Bean at the City Marina Lawn.
Jun 20, 2015	Sat	8:00 PM	Cinema Del Ray Community Movie Night where attendees sit and enjoy family movies. This event will take place on the recreation field.
Jun 21, 2015	Sun	10:00 AM	4MRStage Concert Series - Dan Barry Dan Barry is a NY native singer/writer living in the DC area in same vein as Ben Harper, Jack Johnson, or Dave Matthews Band.
Jun 21, 2015	Sun	3:00 PM	Concert by Hyde Park Chapel Choir Performance by Hyde Park Chapel Student Choir from Austin, Texas featuring choral music.
Jun 24, 2015	Wed	12:00 PM	Canal Plaza Concerts Concert series with a performance by Kim Reynolds Band featuring Jazz. Amphitheatre seating, bring your picnic lunch and enjoy music on the waterfront. Offered in partnership with American Real Estate Partners.
Jun 27, 2015	Sat	9:00 AM	Civil War Kids Drill Day Program is weather dependent.
Jun 27, 2015	Sat	12:00 PM	Alexandria's Food & Wine Festival The festival is a community-based event featuring tastes of local foods and wine, as well as artisans, a Children's Corner, and live entertainment. The event transforms Oronoco Bay Park into a lively festival.
Jun 28, 2015	Sun	10:00 AM	4 M R Stage Concert Series - Jong Lee 4MRMarket veteran musician Jong Lee. Jong runs Jive Sound a bass guitar shop on the Avenue in Arlandria and his performances are a lot of fun.
Jul 2, 2015	Thu	6:00 PM	First Thursday First Thursday is an event sponsored by the Del Ray Business Association. Businesses along Mt. Vernon Avenue have different monthly themes to promote Del Ray as a great place to live, work and shop.
Jul 5, 2015	Sun	10:00 AM	4MRStage Concert Series - Back Alley Blues Boys Back Alley Blues Boys is a Metro DC based trio comprised of Art Hildebrand, Shawn Askin and Joe Weber. They play acoustic and electric guitar-driven blues, folk, and roots music, as well as some softer acoustic numbers and rock and roll tunes.
Jul 8, 2015	Wed	12:00 PM	Canal Plaza Concerts Concert series with a performance by Crimestoppers featuring Rockin' Blues. Amphitheatre seating, bring your picnic lunch and enjoy music on the waterfront. Offered in partnership with American Real Estate Partners.
Jul 9, 2015	Thu	7:00 PM	City Concert Series City Sponsored Concert at Market Square. Performance by the American Accordionist Association.
Jul 11, 2015	Sat	5:30 PM	Movie Night @ Four Mile Run The Cora Kelly Center is co-sponsoring with National Community Church its First Annual Family Movie Night at the Conservatory Center on the Plaza. The community participants will enjoy free popcorn, cotton candy, drinks and a (PG) movie. Event will be held at 4109 Mt. Vernon Ave. Alex, VA 22305. Participants may bring their own chairs or blankets for ...

Jul 11, 2015	Sat	7:00 PM	USA/Alexandria Birthday Celebration Program includes awards presentation, food sales, birthday cake distribution, premier concert and concludes with fireworks barge shoot.
Jul 12, 2015	Sun	10:00 AM	4MRStage Concert Series - Matt Buchanan Matt Buchanan plays folk, rock, alternative, and blues, and you may have seen him playing at St. Elmo's Coffee Pub in the past.
Jul 16, 2015	Thu	7:00 PM	Music at Twilight Concert-John Carlyle Square Park City concert series with a performance by the Alexandria Harmonizers featuring Men's Barbershop music. Feel free to bring chairs or a blanket and a picnic supper.
Jul 17, 2015	Fri	6:00 PM	Family Fun Night Bring the whole family to Family Fun Nights for swimming and fun for all ages on Friday evenings. Pool games include beach ball relays, water basketball, diving for prizes and fun on the 'Aqua Challenge' floating obstacle course. Participate in swimming skill assessments for youth, learn pool safety tips and more.
Jul 17, 2015	Fri	8:30 PM	Comcast Outdoor Film Festival This is the 13th Annual Comcast Outdoor Film Festival, movies shown on a 40-foot inflatable movie screen. Featured movie: How to Train Your Dragon 2(PG). Admission is free. Gates open at 5:30 with the film beginning at dusk. Be sure to bring blankets and beach chairs so you are comfortable during the feature presentation.
Jul 18, 2015	Sat	10:00 AM	Tons of Trucks Children of all ages will have the unique opportunity to explore their favorite vehicles, get behind the wheel and meet the people who protect, build and serve our City. Event is rain or shine.
Jul 18, 2015	Sat	8:00 PM	Cinema Del Ray Community Movie Night where attendees sit and enjoy family movies. This event will take place on the recreation field.
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Jul 19, 2015	Sun	10:00 AM	4MRStage Concert Series - Dan Barry Dan Barry is a NY native singer/writer living in the DC area in same vein as Ben Harper, Jack Johnson, or Dave Matthews Band.
Jul 22, 2015	Wed	12:00 PM	Canal Plaza Concerts Concert series with a performance by The Sidley's featuring Soul Infused Rock. Amphitheatre seating, bring your picnic lunch and enjoy music on the waterfront. Offered in partnership with American Real Estate Partners.
Jul 24, 2015	Fri	8:00 PM	Beasley Outdoor Movies Beasley Real Estate, in partnership with the City of Alexandria, invite you to a screening of the movie: The Big Hero 6 (PG). Admission is free and offers complimentary gourmet popcorn and water. Be sure to bring blankets, a beach chair, or a picnic supper and enjoy an outdoor movie along the waterfront.
Jul 25, 2015	Sat	8:00 PM	Beasley Outdoor Movies Beasley Real Estate, in partnership with the City of Alexandria, invite you to a screening of the movie: Blank Check (PG). Admission is free and offers complimentary gourmet popcorn and water. Be sure to bring blankets, a beach chair, or a picnic supper and enjoy an outdoor movie along the waterfront.

Jul 26, Sun 10:00 [4MRStage Concert Series - Mike Elos](#)
2015 AM Mike Elos plays guitar, piano & harmonica to accompany his roots-based music.

Jul 30, Thu 7:00 [Music at Twilight Concert-John Carlyle Square Park](#)
2015 PM City concert series with a performance by The Muddy Crows featuring Modern/Americana,
and Folk-Rock music. Feel free to bring chairs or a blanket and a picnic supper.

Jul 31, Fri 7:30 [City Concert Series](#)
2015 PM City sponsored summer concert at Market Square featuring Alexandria Citizens Band.

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 18, 2015

TO: ALEXANDRIA PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

FROM: PARK PLANNING, DESIGN+CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

ITEM: MONTHLY UPDATE FOR PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION;
MAY-JUNE, 2015 - ITEM V-B

ISSUE:

The following 4 items are provided to the Park & Recreation Commission as information at its June 18, 2015 meeting:

- Selected Capital Projects Overview Update
- Selected Capital Facilities Maintenance Projects Update

- Recommendation for Programming of the New Patrick Henry Recreation Center
 - Attachment 1 – 2014 Neighborhood Recreation Needs Assessment
 - Attachment 2- Patrick Henry Recreation Center Feasibility Study
 - Attachment 3 – Patrick Henry Recreation Center Programming Options
 - Attachment 4 – Patrick Henry Recreation Center June 2015 Survey Results

- Division 2015 Summer Associate Introductions

Active Park Planning Projects

Monday, June 15, 2015

10:00:46 AM

Lead	Project Name	Team	%Complete	Est. Completion
VDOT				
	Four Mile Pedestrian Bridge	DW RK	55% Design	31-Dec-15
	Notes: New landing location approved by Dominion. Buro Happold to resume work.			
TE&S				
	Holmes Run trail Feasibility Study	DW JL		01-Mar-16
	Notes: T&ES is at 30% with design to put pedestrian bridge at the stairs from the fair weather crossing at Ripley Street. Will report community in summer at 60%.			
RPCA/ACPS				
	Patrick Henry Recreation Center Renovation	Ron, Beth, Laura, D	20%	01-Jun-16
	Notes: ACPS school replacement study community meetings on-going. Feasibility study in progress. Information will be presented to the School Board in May. Recreation Center options to City Council June 23.			
RPCA				
	Armistead L. Boothe Park Restrooms	DG	60% Design	30-Jun-16
	Notes: Restroom CDs are in final revisions. Preparation of the RFP will begin in June.			
	Ben Brenman Trail Improvements	BZ, CW	100% Design	15-Jul-15
	Notes: Trail improvements to portions of the pathways that are damaged or do not meet ADA dimensional compliance. Project scope and drawings are complete. Proposals are currently in review.			
	Beverley Playground Renovation	JL	5% Construction Docs	01-Dec-16
	Notes: Concept Plan completed. Construction budget allocation in April 2015. CDs underway.			
	Chambliss Court Resurfacing	BZ	100% Planning	31-Jul-15
	Notes: Court resurfacing project scheduled for the summer. The project is in procurement. Construction is anticipated in June/July.			
	Chinquapin Feasibility Study	RMK LD	in progress	30-Sep-15
	Notes: May 2015: Hughes Group will analyze alternative construction methods and complete geotechnical analysis to determine if the estimated cost can be significantly reduced. Work will be completed by Fall15			
	Chinquapin Pavilion ADA Access Ramp	BZ, DG	90%	30-Jun-15
	Notes: The railing will be modified in June to complete the project.			
	Chinquapin Playground Repair-Upgrade	JL	0%	01-Oct-15
	Notes: Work will include repair and replacements to meet safety requirements. Playground recommended to be re-located in 10 years--full renovation on hold.			

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	CIP Planning/Budget	BZ, DW		
	Notes: The budget was adopted May 7. Planning for FY 2016 implementation is underway.			
	Digitize Geologic Atlas	RT	60%	01-Oct-15
	Notes: A geologic study of the entire City was performed by Natural Resources Division several years ago. The work is in progress and anticipated to be complete in October.			
	Entry portals and signs	RT, OM	0% Construction	31-Jul-15
	Notes: The purchase of new signs per the City's Wayfinding guidelines will be coordinated with T&ES and P&Z.			
	Four Mile Run Restoration	Dana/Ron	25%	31-Dec-15
	Notes: Invasive Species eradication began April 6. Wetlands closed from public and detours to begin in May. Groundbreaking held on May 20.			
	Four Mile Run Trail Improvements and Mile Ma	Dan R. and DW	5%	31-Dec-15
	Notes: Dan is ordering mile markers for the trail. Trail improvements will be coordinated with the Four Mile Run Restoration project.			
	Hunter Miller Basketball Renovation (lights and	BZ, JN	60% Design	01-Sep-15
	Notes: Project submittal revisions are approved. Construction is anticipated Summer, 2015.			
	Improve Landscape beds around rec centers	BT OM	10% Design	31-Dec-15
	Notes: Plans are being coordinated with Recreation Center Directors.			
	Kelly Cares Playground Expansion	JL DW	50% Construction	13-Jun-15
	Notes: Contribution of \$90,000 received. CDs are complete and approved. Construction is underway. The grand opening is scheduled for June 13.			
	King Street Gardens Improvements	DR/MH		31-Dec-15
	Notes: PO issued for initial work.			
	Maxicom Audit	OM	70%	31-Aug-15
	Notes: The contractor has completed the data analysis. The physical audit will be complete in June and the report will be submitted in August.			
	Maxicom System Data Verification	OM	70%	31-Aug-15
	Notes: The contractor has completed the data analysis. A physical audit will be performed in connection with this work and the report will be submitted in August.			
	Neighborhood Parks Plan	DW LD	75%	01-Jan-16
	Notes: Community feedback summaries complete. Draft plans available online. Public feedback phase underway until June.			

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	Park Furniture Replacement	BZ and Park Ops	90%	30-Jun-15
	Notes: Project is 90% complete. Furniture has been ordered and most shipments have been delivered.			
	Potomac Yard Park	BZ	80% Construction	01-Oct-15
	Notes: Phase I (main body) opened December 14. Phase II (south trail) anticipated to be complete summer 2015. Phase III (North Pond) to be separated and complete fall 2015.			
	Rubber Surface Repairs	JL, SR,OM		15-Jun-15
	Notes: On-going project. FY2015 repairs to be scheduled.			
	Simpson Dog Park Lights	DW, BZ	95%	30-Jun-15
	Notes: The project is currently in progress. The conduit, pole bases, and lights have been installed. The opening ceremony is scheduled for June 5.			
	Simpson Little Building Demolition	DG	90% Design	30-Jun-16
	Notes: CDs are in progress. Project scope includes concrete plaza, press box, irrigation control/utility relocation, backstop repair, and minor sitework.			
	Simpson Park Duncan Ave Entrance Improveme	DG, DW	30% Design	30-Oct-15
	Notes: See Simpson Park Plan. Construction drawings are in progress.			
	Simpson Playground & Passive area Renovation	JL, DW	0%	01-Apr-16
	Notes: LWCF grant approved for project. Set to begin in July 2015 with match from CIP.			
	Windmill Hill Bulkhead Replacement	JB, BZ	30% Design	01-Jan-17
	Notes: In progress. Public meeting held February, 2015.			
P&Z				
	Braddock Small Area Plan	LD	90% Planning	
	Notes: Interim Open Space completed and open April 2015. Andropogon hired to complete concept design for one-acre neighborhood park. A community meeting was held May 30th to kick-off the park design.			
	Eisenhower ASA/Alexandria Renew Restrooms	BZ, DG	30% Construction	31-Dec-15
	Notes: RPCA is reviewing shop drawings and submittals during construction. Construction is anticipated to be complete late 2015.			
	Eisenhower ASA/AlexRenew Field	BZ, RMK	40 % Construction	30-Oct-15
	Notes: Construction is underway and is anticipated to be complete October, 2015. Project website is http://www.alexrenewnmf.com/			
	Eisenhower East Block 2 and 3	BZ, RMK	30% Design	
	Notes: Stage II DSUP was approved by Planning Commission and City Council in March. The majority of West Side Gardens will be located on Block 3 with a small portion on Block 2.			

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	Eisenhower West	LD	100% Planning	
	Notes: Eisenhower West Steering Committee meets 1-2 times per month to develop the SAP. Draft plan available in July 2015. City Council delivery in November 2015. Spring 2015 refining open space components			
	Mount Vernon Village Center	RK JL LD	75% Design	
	Notes: SUP extended 3 years by planning commission on May 5, 2015.			
	Potomac Greens Park	BZ	100% Construction	17-Jun-15
	Notes: Construction complete. RPCA has accepted the as-builts. Performance Bond released June 17. City Maintenance start June 17, 2015.			
	Potomac Yard I/J West and L	BZ	60% Construction	
	Notes: Plan approved in Sept. 2011. RPCA staff consulted on the play areas, but the application is not officially reviewed by RPCA due to lack of public land. Construction of Leslie connection in progress.			
	Potomac Yard/Landbay I/J Parks	BZ	90% Construction	30-Jun-15
	Notes: Phase one (Custis) complete and under maintenance bond. Construction of phase II (Howell) complete and under performance bond. As-built submissions expected in June, 2015.			
	Waterfront Plan	LD RK		30-Sep-13
	Notes: The City Council approved the Waterfront Plan in January, 2012. Plan implementation underway. Acquisition of waterfront parcels complete Jan. 2015. Phase II engineering / flood mitigation underway.			
General Services				
	Community Building Renovation Completion	LD, DG	100%	
	Notes: Improvements to the building are complete. Staff are reviewing proposals for a non-profit management lease of the building. Decision pending summer 2015.			
ACPS				
	Jefferson-Houston	DW RMK, DHG	90% Construction	01-Sep-15
	Notes: Construction is substantially complete. School building is in use as of 9/2014. Final completion for RPCA/City assets pending punchlist completion.			
	John Adams Transportation Improvements	DW		01-Jun-15
	Notes: CC approved plan on 11/15. Parking lot expansion set to begin in spring.			
	Long Range Educational Facilities Plan	DW	90%	01-Jun-15
	Notes: Draft plan distributed to work group at beginning of March. Set to present to PRC in May.			



Active Rec CFMP Projects

Parks, Recreation + Cultural Activities /
Department of General Services

June 18, 2015

FY	Project Name	Project Code	Facility Name	Status	% Complete
FY 2014	Restrooms Upgrade	CB-14-01	Charles Barrett Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Replace fitness equipment with new	CB-14-01	Charles Barrett Center	Canceled	-0-
FY 2014	Kitchen-Multi Purpose Upgrade	CB-14-02	Charles Barrett Center	Executing	80%
FY 2014	Gym Doors Replacment	CK-14-04	Cora Kelly Center	Executing	85%
FY 2014	HVAC Commissioning	CK-14-02	Cora Kelly Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2014	Bleachers Replacement	CK-14-03	Cora Kelly Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Windows Repair-Glazing	CN-14-02	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	On Hold	-0-
FY 2014	Lockers in Pool Office, Ph I	CN-14-01	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	Completed FY12	100%
FY 2014	Fabric Acoustic Panels	OD-14-03	Oswald Durant Arts Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	HVAC Work - New Chillers	LC-14-03	Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Restroom Renovations	LC-14-04	Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Fire Alarm Upgrade	LC-14-05	Lee Center	Executing	95%
FY 2014	Restroom Lighting Upgrade	LC-14-06	Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	HVAC Unit Replacement	MV-14-01	Mt. Vernon Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Resurface Gym Floor	MV-14-03	Mt. Vernon Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Repair Curtain Motor, Gym	MV-14-04	Mt. Vernon Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Bleachers Replacement	MV-14-05	Mt. Vernon Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	New Reception Counter	NL-14-04	Nannie J. Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Gym Bleacher Replacement	NL-14-01	Nannie J. Lee Center	Canceled	
FY 2014	Gym Curtain	NL-14-03	Nannie J. Lee Center	Completed	100%

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FY 2014	Restrooms Renovations	NL-14-05	Nannie J. Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Gym Floor Resurface	NL-14-02	Nannie J. Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2014	Replace Damaged Dance Floor	WR-14-01	William Ramsay Center	Completed	100%
FY 2015	Window sealing	BF-15-01	Buddie Ford Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	Window sealing	CB-15-02	Charles Barrett Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	Multipurpose Rm Upgrade	CB-15-03	Charles Barrett Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	Lobby Floor Finish Replacement	CK-15-01	Cora Kelly Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Hot water heater	CK-15-04	Cora Kelly Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	New HVAC Controls	CK-14-05	Cora Kelly Center	Pending Funds	-0-
FY 2015	Restroom lighting	CK-15-03	Cora Kelly Center	In procurement	-0-
FY 2015	Restroom upgrades	CK-15-02	Cora Kelly Center	Executing	95%
FY 2015	Natatorium Door Replacement	CN-15-03	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	In Proucurement	-0-
FY 2015	Windows Repair-Glazing	CN-15-01	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Lockers in Pool Office, Ph. 2	CN-15-02	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	LED Lighting Upgrade	CN-15-04	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	Natatorium Doors Replacement	CN-15-05	Chinquapin Park Rec Center	In Procuremnt	-0-
FY 2015	Floor system repairs	CO--15-01	Colasanto Arts Center	Executing	50%
FY 2015	New Flooring and Wall base	OD-15-02	Oswald Durant Arts Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Sump Pump Installation	OD-15-01	Oswald Durant Arts Center	Completed	100%
FY 2015	Decommission AC Units	OD-13-01	Oswald Durant Arts Center		-0-
FY 2015	New Flooring in Corridor	OD-15-01	Oswald Durant Arts Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Stage Lighting System	OD-14-02	Oswald Durant Arts Center	On Hold/Delayed	-0-
FY 2015	Water Damage-Fan Coil Unit	OD-15-05	Oswald Durant Arts Center	Equipment on Order	-0-

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FY 2015	Millwork Replacement (Multiple Areas)	LC-14-01	Lee Center	On Hold	-0-
FY 2015	Exterior lighting upgrades	LC-15-05	Lee Center	Material Procurement	-0-
FY 2015	Replace Cabinets in Kitchen	LC-14-02	Lee Center	On Hold	-0-
FY 2015	Replace Corridor Water Cooler	LC-15-01	Lee Center	Preliminary Phase	-0-
FY 2015	Window replacement	LC-15-06	Lee Center	Procurement	-0-
FY 2015	Restrooms Wall covering Replacement	LC-15-03	Lee Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Paint corridor	LC-15-06	Lee Center	Executing	75%
FY 2015	Fenestration System Replacement	LC-15-02	Lee Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Fire Panel Replacement	LC-13-04	Lee Center	Executing	85%
FY 2015	RTU#2 replacement	LC-15-06	Lee Center	Executing	50%
FY 2015	Cooling tower replacement	LC-15-07	Lee Center	Completed	100%
FY 2015	Roof replacement	MV-15-02	Mt. Vernon Center	Completed	100%
FY 2015	Exterior lighting upgrades	MV-15-03	Mt. Vernon Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	Reception desk upgrade	MV-15-01	Mt. Vernon Center	Executing	90%
FY 2015	Ceiling Upgrade	MV-15-04	Mt. Vernon Center	Procurement	-0-
FY 2015	Activity Room Ceiling Replacement	MV-14-02	Mt. Vernon Center	On Hold	-0-
FY 2015	New Fitness Equipment	NL-15-01	Nannie J. Lee Center	In Queue (Outlying FY)	-0-
FY 2015	Painting - Interiors	NL-15-02	Nannie J. Lee Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	Restroom Renovations	WR-15-01	William Ramsay Center	Executing	-0-
FY 2015	New Fitness Equipment	WR-15-01	William Ramsay Center	On Hold/Delayed	-0-

FY	Project Name	Project Code	Facility Name	Status	% Complete
FY 2015	Install Sound Baffles	WR-15-02	William Ramsay Center	On Hold/Delayed	-0-

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FROM: PARK PLANNING, DESIGN+CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
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ITEM: DIVISION TEAM - SUMMER ASSOCIATES & ACADEMIC INTERNS

Each year the Park Planning, Design+Capital Development Division obtains Summer Associates and Academic Interns through a nationally advertised search. Previously students have joined the Division team from the schools such as Ball State University, University of Illinois, University of Maryland, University of Virginia, and University of Edinburgh-Scotland. This year, we are pleased to be joined by Princess Holloman and Lauren Iversen. They will be with us between June and mid-August.

Princess Holloman - Academic Intern

Virginia Tech; Blacksburg, Virginia

Princess is currently an undergraduate at Virginia Tech in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies where she is a double major candidate in Architecture and Spanish. She will receive her Bachelor of Arts degree in 2018 with intention of attending graduate school to study Urban Planning. Princess is a member of American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS), Language and Culture Institution and Inter-Varsity. Her interests include planning, human development, drafting and drawing. Her goals are to gain work and government experience with the Park Planning, Design + Capital Development Division.

Lauren Iversen - Summer Associate

Iowa State University; Ames, Iowa

Lauren is currently and undergraduate studying Landscape Architecture and Environmental Studies at Iowa State. As a Summer Associate she will be working on park development and improvement projects. She is looking forward to visiting all of Alexandria's parks while she is here. Prior to coming to Alexandria, Lauren worked as a Landscape Architecture Intern for the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women and lead student backcountry trips for mountain biking and rock climbing with the Iowa State University Outdoor Recreation Program. She will graduate in Spring, 2016.

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