

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Park and Recreation Commission

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, July 15, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

**Mt. Vernon Recreation Center- Multi- purpose Room
2701 Commonwealth Avenue, Alexandria VA**

AGENDA

- I.** Call to Order by Chair: Potomac Yard Presentation - Bethany Carton, RPCA.
- II.** Approval of Summary Minutes from May 20, 2010, June 17, 2010.
- III.** Retreat Action Items:
 - A. Continued Discussion of Draft Bylaws-Operating Procedures for Commission.
 - B. Review and prioritize consolidated list of action items from Retreat, March 6.
 - C. Develop list of items to address at P&RC meetings for September 2010.
- IV.** Division Updates:
 - A. Recreation Programs and Services Update - William Chesley
 - B. Operations & Park Planning Monthly Report - Roger Blakeley
 - C. Office on the Arts Update - Alisa Carrel
 - D. Park Planning Updates - Ron Kagawa
 - E. Marketing, Public Relations & Special Events - Jack Browand
- V.** Director's Report - James Spengler
 - A. Simpson Soccer Fields
- VI.** Commission Attendance Report and 2009-2010 Annual Report - Jack Browand
- VII.** Reports From Commissioners (verbal updates)
 - o Ft. Ward Ad Hoc Advisory Commission- Bob Moir, Ripley Forbes, Rich Brune
 - o Youth Policy Commission - Stephen Mercer
 - o Waterfront Committee- William Cromley
 - o Youth Sports Committee- Jeffrey Murphy
 - o 4-Mile Run- Ripley Forbes
 - o Charles Houston Memorial Project-William Cromley
 - o Freedman's Cemetery- Bob Moir
 - o Beauregard Corridor- David Dexter
 - o ACPS & Capital Improvements- Henry Brooks
 - o Other
- VIII.** Agenda items and location for September meeting.
- IX.** List of Upcoming Public Meetings
- X.** Adjournment

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REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, May 20, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

City Hall - Room 1101
301 King Street, Alexandria VA

Summary Minutes

Commission Members: Judy Guse-Noritake, Chairperson. Henry S. Brooks, Rich Brune, William Cromley, David Dexter, Ripley Forbes, Robert Moir, Jeffrey Murphy. Excused Absences: Stephen (Clark) Mercer, Mathew Coda.

RPCA Staff: Jack Browand, Roger Blakeley, Ron Kagawa, Laura Durham, Robin DeShields.
Absent: William Chesley, James Spengler, Director.

Guests: Faroll Hamer, Director Planning & Zoning, Karl Moritz, Deputy Director, and Nancy J. Williams, Principal Planner. Dottie Marshall and Kate Barrett, National Park Service.

The Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed staff and guests. She noted that the meeting is not a public hearing, but an opportunity for P&RC members to provide feedback/comments on the Waterfront Concept Plan.

I. Presentation of the City of Alexandria Waterfront Concept Plan - Faroll Hamer, Director, Planning and Zoning and staff.

- Karl Moritz, Deputy Director, Planning and Zoning gave the presentation on Alexandria's Waterfront Concept Plan. Mr. Moritz shared background information on the process for developing the Concept Plan which started in April 2009. A series of public outreach activities began last summer. In addition, City staff, along with a number of stakeholders, toured Battery and Bryant parks in NYC last summer and participated in a number of local waterfront tours. Topical meetings which addressed the marina, arts and history were held in January/February/March of this year.
- The presentation focused on key redevelopment sites within the planning area such as the Robinson Terminal sites, north and south; the Strand blocks; and the City Marina. In addition, information was shared regarding plans for Oronoco Bay Park, Founders Park, Waterfront Park, Point Lumley Park and the Foot of King Street. The goal is to enhance and expand the amount of parkland and public space in the planning area.
- **Common themes-include enhancing connectivity and public access via a pedestrian walkway extending from the northern end of the planning area (Daingerfield Island) to the southern end (Jones Point Park); activitating the Strand area; extending King Street as a pier; expanding activities for families/children and the public in Oronoco Bay Park; incorporating history and art throughout the planning area; preserving view corridors and opening up alleys; and promoting historic preservation and the adaptive reuse of historic buildings.**
- In addition Mr. Moritz said the **public wants more Waterfront dining options.** A recent retail study done for King St. shows that in order to have a successful retail experience there needs to be continuous activities at regular intervals. For that reason, a pavilion and pier have been placed at the foot of King and a restaurant has been proposed for the western portion of Waterfront Park. The restaurant would fit atop a garage that would be built for the ODBC to compensate for their parking that is currently at the foot of King.

- **A Flood Study has been completed by T&ES with provisions for flood mitigation for the Waterfront area and shoreline area.** Flood mitigation measures include the pedestrian walkway which would be elevated at approximately 4.5 feet (around its current level) with other mitigation incorporated in the landscape, buildings and street ends
- **A Marina assessment has been done and it shows a market and demand for more boat slips. The plan would expand the City Marina to approximately 150 slips. The expansion would permeate the DC boundary. The City would need to secure approval from DC and a number of other entities - federal and state - for the expansion.**
- **A Full Copy of the Presentation Can be Found At:**
www.alexandriava.gov/Waterfront
- **Q. Cromley - Are some slips reserved for sailboats and some for power boats?** It is important to maintain calm and noise levels at certain points. *R. Moritz – yes; the marina would include slips to serve a number of vessel types (commercial and pleasure) and sizes; however, the entire plan seeks to be harmonious with the character and scale of Old Town.*
- **Q. Brune - where is fuel for boats going to be stored?** Nothing is shown for boat maintenance or fuel storage. *R. Hamer- Again, the intent is not to change the character of the Marina (not a working marina). Intent is to be on scale with what Old Town is currently. Fuel is currently available at other nearby marinas.*
- **Q. Ripley - Will it be a floating dock?**
- *R. Moritz - We understand the benefits of floating docks, and the use of floating and permanent docks, or a combination, is to be determined.*
- **Next Steps:-** Karl Moritz
- Concept Plan- goes to City Council Work Session Tuesday-May 25.
- Printed document out shortly for the Concept Plan.
- Comments and feedback are welcome.
- Full Plan draft-summer.
- Draft Waterfront Plan to City Council in fall.

Karl Moritz asked for feedback; it will be used for the full plan to be released in summer. The Chair said the P&RC recesses in July and will address what comes out in September.

Questions/Comments:

- **Mr. Cromley-** commented that some people view the Waterfront Plan as the commercialization of the Waterfront. He supports the Plan which will help create a vibrant Waterfront and help pay for improvements. He further commented that the Plan suffers however from views from above; **suggested creating a series of circular paths/that connects areas and helps re-circulate people around the Waterfront.** Stated hotels, if approved may change the character of the Waterfront and said that consideration might be given to allowing the conversion of nearby residential properties to commercial uses. **Torpedo Factory first floor should be opened up-for restaurant, café or retail use to improve space and help bring in revenues.**
- **Mr. Brooks-** asked what will happen to the Washington Post site?
R. Hamer- stated not sure what will happen with this site at this time, other than mixed-use is anticipated. She would like to see active ground floor for retail and to increase the sense of public space. Hamer-Challenges: commercial office space draws traffic, while with residential use homeowners may complain if too much activity going on. Hotel use is

desirable, and is mid-way between residential and commercial. Mr. Brooks further commented that the problem with the retail in the plan is that it is mostly restaurants. There is a need for other small types of retail shops that can thrive in Old Town.

- The Chair- **said that having more activities for families with children are needed**; this should be made part of the design. If more families with children are drawn to the waterfront then that also allows for different kinds of retail shops as well.
- Mr. Moir- **Asked is there a plan to put additional parking along Union St.?** R. Moritz- a detailed comprehensive Parking Study is being done for the Waterfront area by T&ES. Although on-street parking is taken most of time, there is capacity in garages. A new meter system will be installed for the 100 and 200 blocks of King Street. Additionally, a new signage system will be used to direct people to garages. Other measures will also be taken.
- Mr. Dexter- **Where are the designated bike trails?**
R. Moritz- Adding bike trails was discussed. The goal is to make better use of existing trails. There are some conflict points between bikes and pedestrians which need to be addressed. *It was noted that bike riding is currently not allowed along the Waterfront, people need to dismount upon entering the Waterfront area.*
- Chair Judy Guse- Noritake:
Open Space Fund (OSF)- the Chair and Planning staff discussed the importance of maintaining the OSF. The P&RC are the guardians of the fund. The purchase of land using open space funds has specific legal ramifications. By City Ordinance projects... must be 100% open space related unless the fund is reimbursed. The Chair asked P&Z staff to provide numbers on the amount of available open space. In addition the group discussed plans for various areas as it related to Open Space plans.

Faroll- New and existing open space is about 4.5 acres (combination green & open space). Karl Moritz-provided some numbers and will share further information later. He said that planning staff is aware of the issue raised regarding the importance of maintaining open space and how open space funds are used.

Moritz - the Beachcomber property was purchased with public open space funds. The Chair-said there is a question as to if this structure is salvageable- if it is not, may need to be rebuilt. If OSF is compensated at fair market value it would be prohibitive to run a restaurant in the building. This may be problematic.
- **Off Leash Dogs-at Founders Park**- As Plan is developed, the P&RC will need to seriously consider addressing the issue of off-leash dogs at Founders Park. This activity will need to cease or be moved elsewhere for safety purposes. The Dog Park Master plan will be looked at in fall.
- **Park Maintenance Facility Building**- In future, the entire Waterfront may be managed as one budget/area and may require higher levels of maintenance. Will need a storage place for dock area-this currently doesn't exist-this is a design/functionality issue. Additionally, as P&Z staff get into to design details it may be helpful to bring in maintenance staff to look at design and provide suggestions to help improve mowing, cleaning sidewalks and maintenance of the area. May end up with a better design that is more functional and easier to maintain.
- **Other items noted:**
- **Year round reception/ special events.** (Public Event Accommodations)

Oronoco Bay is a good place to do this. Use of railroad cars in Oronoco Bay for performances/concessions/maintenance is good. Consideration of closing Union near Pendleton for pedestrian activities, as appropriate, is something plan will consider along with keeping foot of King Street closed to pedestrians, except for Trolley. Will also consider opportunities for closure of Union near Windmill Park as appropriate.

Waterfront weddings could be big events at the Foot of King Street – installing a Pavilion. (make possible a temporary structure)

- Art- on buildings behind Oronoco Bay Park is being considered; owners are open to this idea. Adding art through lighting is also a popular concept.
- Public Restrooms- This needs to be seriously considered on the Waterfront. In Urban environment for tourists a big issue is where do you go to use the restroom. Have public restrooms in buildings where there is other activity and uses or near Box Car area.
- End Questions/Comments: The Chair thanked the Planning Director, Deputy Director and staff for coming.

Hand-outs:

- Briefing Paper- Farroll Hamer, Director, P&Z and Dottie Marshall and Kate Barrett, G.W. Memorial Parkway, NPS.
- Goals and Objectives -Waterfront Concept Plan prepared by Nancy Williams, Principal Planner, P&Z.
- For more info. go to www.alexandriava.gov/Waterfront or call 703-746-4666, Nancy Williams, Principal Planner at Nancy.williams@alexandriava.gov

II. Briefing on construction scheduled for Jones Point Park, National Park Service- Dottie Marshall, Superintendent of the G.W. Parkway, and Kate Barrett, Landscape Architect.

- Marshall- the contract will be advertised June 8. Intention is to award contract and begin construction in October 2010. Construction is expected to last 18 months. The park will be closed during construction. However, the Mt. Vernon Trail will remain open, but may be re-routed. As part of negotiations, a verbal agreement was made with the Mayor that NPS will take over maintenance of the park after construction. NPS will continue to police the park and has concurrent jurisdiction with the City. There was a cooperative agreement that expired. Ron lease is our agreement expires 2011. Chair-A new Agreement or MOU is needed.
- Questions/Comments:
- Q. Cromley- asked were estimates given at that time on how long it would take. Stated 18 mos. is a long time. Is there any possible way the project could be phased in?
- Suggested providing incentives to contractor to finish quickly and penalties for finishing late.
- R. Marshall- *This is a major redevelopment -18 months is generous but necessary. The Consultants, who designed the park, believe that phasing-in the work will add considerably to the construction timeframe and dramatically increase costs.*
- Dottie Marshall gave some information on the history of Park. *She said the park had already gone through design phase and been approved prior to September 11, (2001). Project is already 9 years behind schedule. This was already a difficult negotiation. During the 9 years, contract costs have gone up and down, and up again. There is not a lot of room left in budget to complete the park; we would hate to lose features or element due time constraints. VDOT is responsible for issuing the contracts, not NPS. NPS has a permit to work on the land. They were told if they make any changes to the contract it will be pulled from this*

years' procurement process. This may extend contract out beyond 18 mos. and escalate costs. It is a large park and fencing is expensive. Chair – her observation is VDOT is strict about their process; it is important to spend funds while they are available.

- **Kate Barrett** – provided brief presentation showing a map of Jones Point Park (Alternative 4A) which highlighted the parks major features, Go To: <http://Alexandriava.gov/uploadedfiles/recreation/info/JPPA/Alternative4A.pdf>

Discussion: Fishing Pier –is slipping into the Potomac. There will be major underground construction to try to save the Pier without disturbing archeological sites. Shoreline eroding in places- has to be stabilized. Careful work around D.C. Cornerstone-is needed in order to rebuild the seawall that helps protects Lighthouse. Lighthouse -The NPS received additional money from Congressman Moran for exterior and interior renovations to Lighthouse. Extensive Invasive Plant Removal will be done. Park will have two Athletic Fields. Everything will be done consistent with the original plan and will not warrant new EA.

Chair-The P&RC is aware of the neighborhood concerns regarding park closure, and shares their concerns regarding timing. It is not the purview of the P&RC. The City does not have a role except to listen to concerns and answer questions. The Chair asked that the P&RC be kept apprised of dates and issues.

- Yvonne Weight, Alexandria, VA- expressed concern about the park possibly being closed during construction. She asked that the City talk to VDOT to get an understanding on keeping part of the park open during construction or to phase-in. Stated that the W/W Bridge was built with park being open and inquired if reduction from 4 soccer fields, down to 2 fields saved money. The Chair- responded that money saved from elimination of 2 fields has been allocated. Went to purchase the Mobile station, for Freedman's Cemetery, and to buy the land for Witter athletic field. Offset is that the 2 rectangular fields will be on-line in the fall. Action- the Chair will speak to elected official try to get more information.

REGULAR MEETING

The Chair opened the regular meeting she reported that Stephen (Clark) Mercer is in Iraq and Mathew Coda is graduating from H.S.- both have excused absences.

III. Approval of Summary Minutes from: April 22, 2010.

- Rich Brune moved to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by Henry Brooks. All were in favor. The minutes were approved.

IV. Retreat Action Items:

A. Review and prioritize consolidated list of action items from retreat-March 6.

The P&RC discussed the following items from the retreat.

- Community Schools Initiative - Henry Brooks attended a meeting earlier in the month, nothing new to report at this time. Browand - they are moving forward with hearing at William Ramsey. A rally and Needs Assessment is planned for June. This initiative is targeted at Inner City schools that are under-performing; Karen Parker-Thompson is the lead for ACPS.
- Increasing Participation of Youth Sports- The Chair contacted Jim Gibson, President, Youth Sports Advisory Board to let him know that Stephen (Clark) Mercer is interested in being involved with this effort.
- Update "Friends Groups"- Henry Brooks- is reviewing policies and procedures for various groups to help develop "Friends" groups for Alexandria. Information was

given to Laura Durham, RPCA who drafting a “Friends” agreement for the VEPCO site. Chair- there may come a time when a policy decision is needed. She suggested Mr. Brooks and Ms. Durham visit the National Park Association (NPA) website which contains a lot of useful information.

- B. Develop list to address at P&RC meetings for June and July 2010.
In Progress – Ongoing.
- C. Continued Discussion of Draft Bylaws-Operating Procedures for Commission – Dave Dexter, Henry Brooks & Bob Moir.
The Chair suggested discussion of the Draft Bylaws be continued at the next meeting, Bob Moir is reviewing.
- V. DIVISION UPDATES (See Staff Reports):
www.alexandria.va.gov/Department/Recreation/Commission and Committees
- A. Recreation Programs and Services Update- report by William Chesley.
- See Staff Report: **Adult Activities** - of the 85 spring classes offered – 61 (72%) met minimum requirements. Discussion:
 - Q. Chair- what types of classes did not meet the minimum enrollment requirements and which classes exceeded registration? R. *Staff will follow-up with Mr. Chesley and report back to the Commission.*
 - Q. Which pools will be closed this summer? R. *Nannie J. Lee and Nicolas Colasonto pools will remain closed again this year due to budget reasons.*
 - RPCA will notify the public which pools will be opened or closed.
- B. Operations & Park Planning Monthly Report - Roger Blakeley
- See Staff Report: Follow-up **Hensley Park-Theft of Equipment**- Mr. Blakeley reported that staff has recovered the truck and trailer; equipment was found in D.C. The incident is still under investigation.
- C. Office on the Arts Update – report by Alisa Carrel.
- See Staff Report: No comments.
- D. Park Planning Updates- Ron Kagawa
- See Staff Report : Discussion:
 - **SUP for Ben Brenman field (#2010-006)** - addition of lighting to the synthetic turf field was approved by the Planning Commission on May 4. The field will come on-line in the fall. The Chair thanked staff and members for laying the groundwork that helped get this passed.
 - **Freedman’s Memorial Cemetery**- DSUP #2009-0013C- was approved by the Planning Commission on May 4, and by City Council on May 15. Construction Plans completed in fall and begin 2011? Chair-an article was in the Washington Post Living Section today.
 - **Witter Athletics Field Update**- Kagawa-Project is lagging slightly behind schedule, due to document control issues with City Consultant. Expected delivery date is January 2012. Construction process estimated to take 15-18 months.
 - **Linear Park- Potomac Yards** -Kagawa
Park has gone into final site plan phase. A second meeting was held with consultant today. Final site plan to be completed by January- with construction by late Spring/Summer 2011?. No changes to original plan.
Staff will meet weekly with Consultant-Bethany Carlton, RPCA is the lead for project.

E. Marketing, Public Relations & Special Events - Jack Browand

- See Staff Report:
- **RPCA FY 2011 Fee Increases** - Docket Item goes before City Council on June, 8. New fees will take effect July 1, 2010. There have been several questions regarding the new Adult Fitness Fee that are being addressed. Information on new fees will be communicated to staff and public.

VI. **Director's Report** – report by James Spengler

- See Staff Report and Attachments: RPCA Proposed FY 2011 Budget, including CIP by Project Categories. Mr. Browand briefly reviewed the report in absence of Director. RPCA did relatively well this year and received funds back. Money was taken from the Urban Forestry Program in FY 2009. Department asked for and received funds back in FY 2011.

VII. **REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS** (verbal updates):

- **Ad Hoc-Ft. Ward Park Stakeholders Advisory Group**- Bob Moir, Ripley - Forbes, Rich Brune. A community meeting was held last Thursday May 13th; three neighbors attended who are concerned about drainage issues. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday May 25. Rich Baier, Director, T&ES will attend.
- **Youth Policy Commission**- Stephen (Clark) Mercer. Mr. Mercer was in IRAQ - no report at this time.
- **Waterfront Committee** - William Cromley.
- - The Waterfront Concept Plan is being presented to the P&RC tonight.
- - No Wake Letter- The Chair received a letter from Nathan Macek, Chair; Alexandria Waterfront Committee (copy attached, dated April 22). The letter summarized the position of the Committee regarding a proposal to permit watercraft engaged in water transportation to transit the Waterfront at speeds greater than 10 knots. The letter urges the P&RC to join them in supporting this proposal to the City Manager and City Council. **Discussion:** The Chair and members of the P&RC don't really feel that this is within their jurisdiction. Judy-it seems like currently it is a speed regulation issue-technology now available and in the future which makes speed an irrelevant issue as performance criteria for wake. Roger Blakeley- in the future is if there is a National Emergency like September 11, and roads are clogged, there may be a need to move people by boat from Waterfront park areas. **Action Item**- the Chair will write a brief letter in support of the Waterfront Committee's recommendation.
- **Youth Sports Advisory Committee** - Jeffrey Murphy
Councilman Krupicka attended last meeting. Discussed community school usage construction vs. field usage. New Principal has been hired at T.C. Williams H.S. One large Commission will be developed to serve youth. Looking at how schools and RPCA can work more closely together. Theme: All Alexandria children will succeed; raising expectations; having student achievement goals; accountability and metrics. City is almost finished its strategic plan. Looking at other school models (i.e. Montgomery Co.). Next month June 14 - Dr. Morton Sherman, Superintendent, ACPS will attend. Judy suggested members of the P&RC attend to discuss loss of field usage associated with the school expansion.
- **4-Mile Run** - Ripley Forbes
- Trying to get a meeting of the joint committee scheduled, tentative June 16.

- **Charles Houston Memorial Project** -William Cromley
- Four finalists were announced today to develop proposals for the Charles Hamilton Houston Memorial: **For More Info.** go to: www.alexandriava.gov/arts.
- **Block Party-** A community block party will be held, Saturday, June 26th - 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Charles Houston Community Ctr. The goal is to help break down barriers between public housing residents and the general community. There will be food, and information tables. He is a member of the Parker Gray Roundtable group. **Action Item:** The Chair asked that a notice be sent out to members in advance.
- **Freedman's Cemetery**- Bob Moir- item was discussed under **Item D.**
- **Beauregard Corridor** - David Dexter
- - **Chambliss Crossing-Holmes Run project update-** an email from Yon Lambert, Principal Planner T&ES, was sent out to the P&RC May 17. The City submitted a Joint Permit Application and Pre-Construction Notification to the Army Corps. of Engineers for the construction of Chambliss Crossing/Holmes Run Project. Dexter-this is an important connectivity piece along the Holmes Run Greenway. Question: looking at the numbers he wonders why Fairfax Co. isn't paying more of its fair-share (Alexandria 80%/FFX Co. 20 %.) The project is moving forward.
- **CIVIC Awards Update-** The sub-committee is recommending plaques instead of medallions be given out, there is a price differential. Once nominees are selected, awards will be ordered. One nomination has been received to date; deadline is June 10.
- **ACPS & Capital Improvements-** no report.
- Other-The annual **Waterfront Walk** will be held on June 8. The group will meet at Oronoco Bay Park to begin the tour.

VIII. Agenda items and location for June meeting.

- Continue discussion on Retreat Action Items and Draft Bylaws.
- Discussion on Jefferson Houston school project.
- Tentative Location- Durant Center.

IX. List of Upcoming Public Meetings- a list was distributed at the meeting.

X. Adjournment: 9:40 p.m.

*Alexandria's
Waterfront*

CONCEPT PLAN

May 20, 2010



activity map



Daingerfield Island

Waterfront trail with interpretation and nature

Mirant Plant

Explore long-term possibilities

Windmill Hill Park

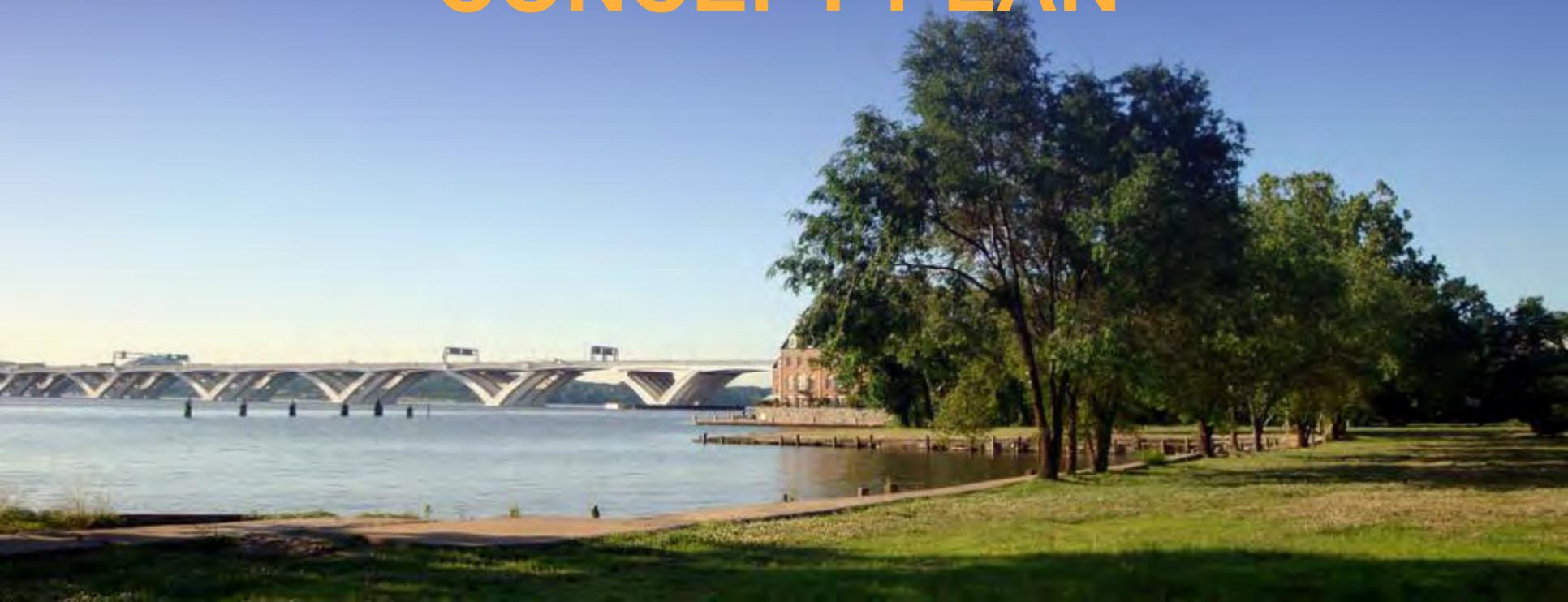
Realize the vision of the Windmill Hill Park Plan

Jones Point Park

Work with NPS to implement the plan

*Alexandria's
Waterfront*

**ILLUSTRATIVE
CONCEPT PLAN**



oronoco bay park

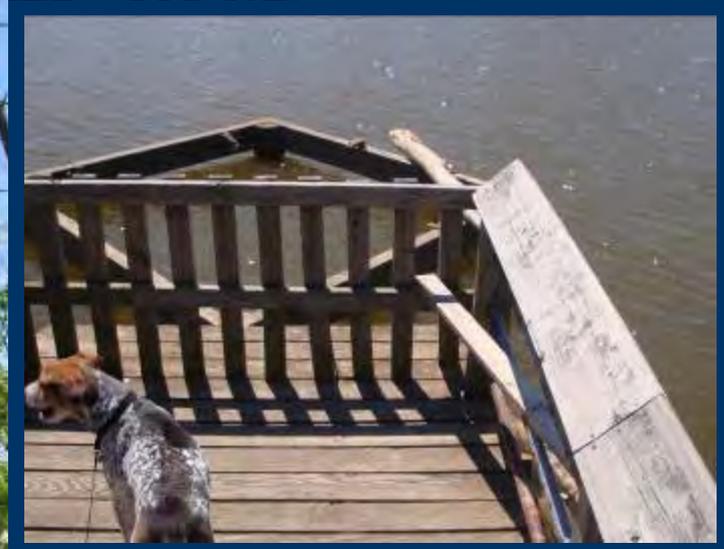
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**boardwalk
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oronoco bay park

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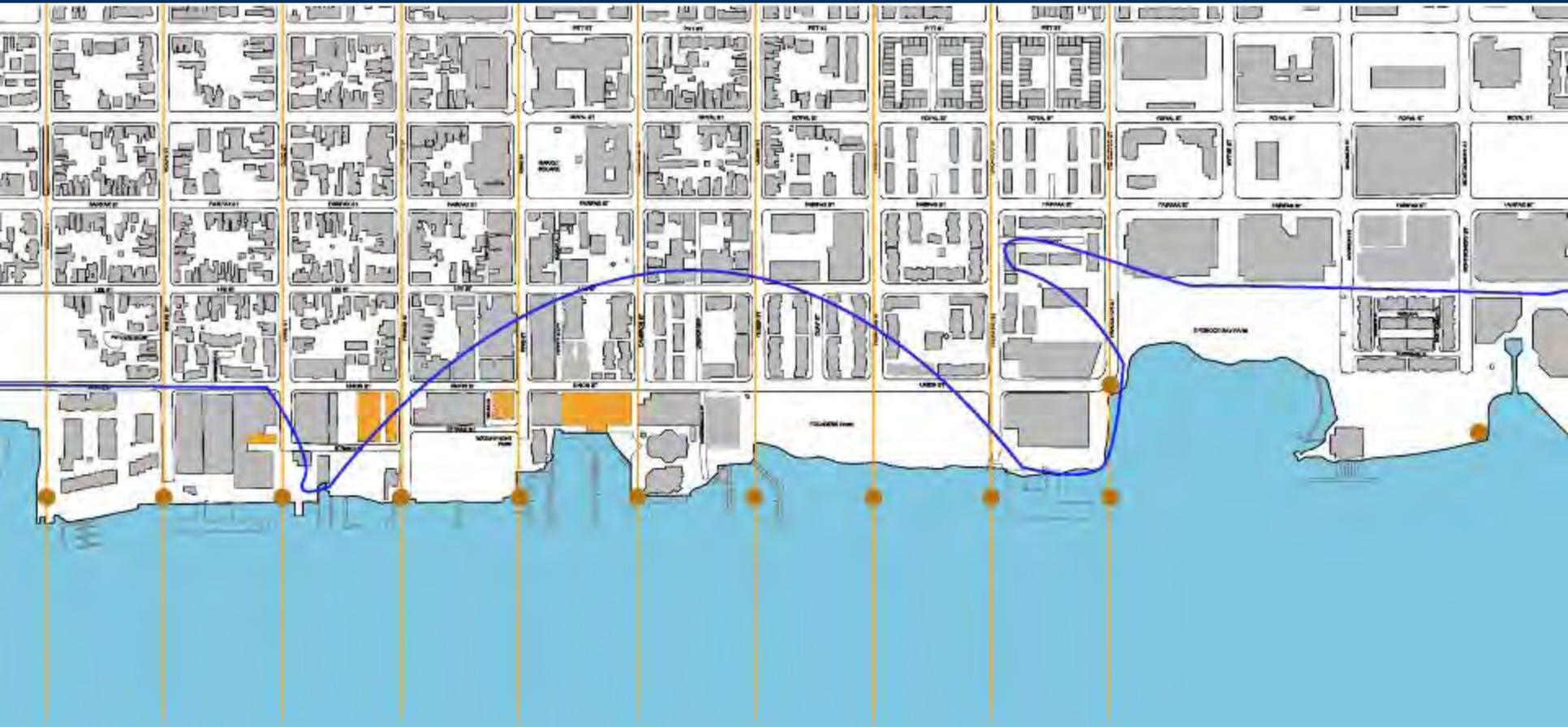
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historic shoreline



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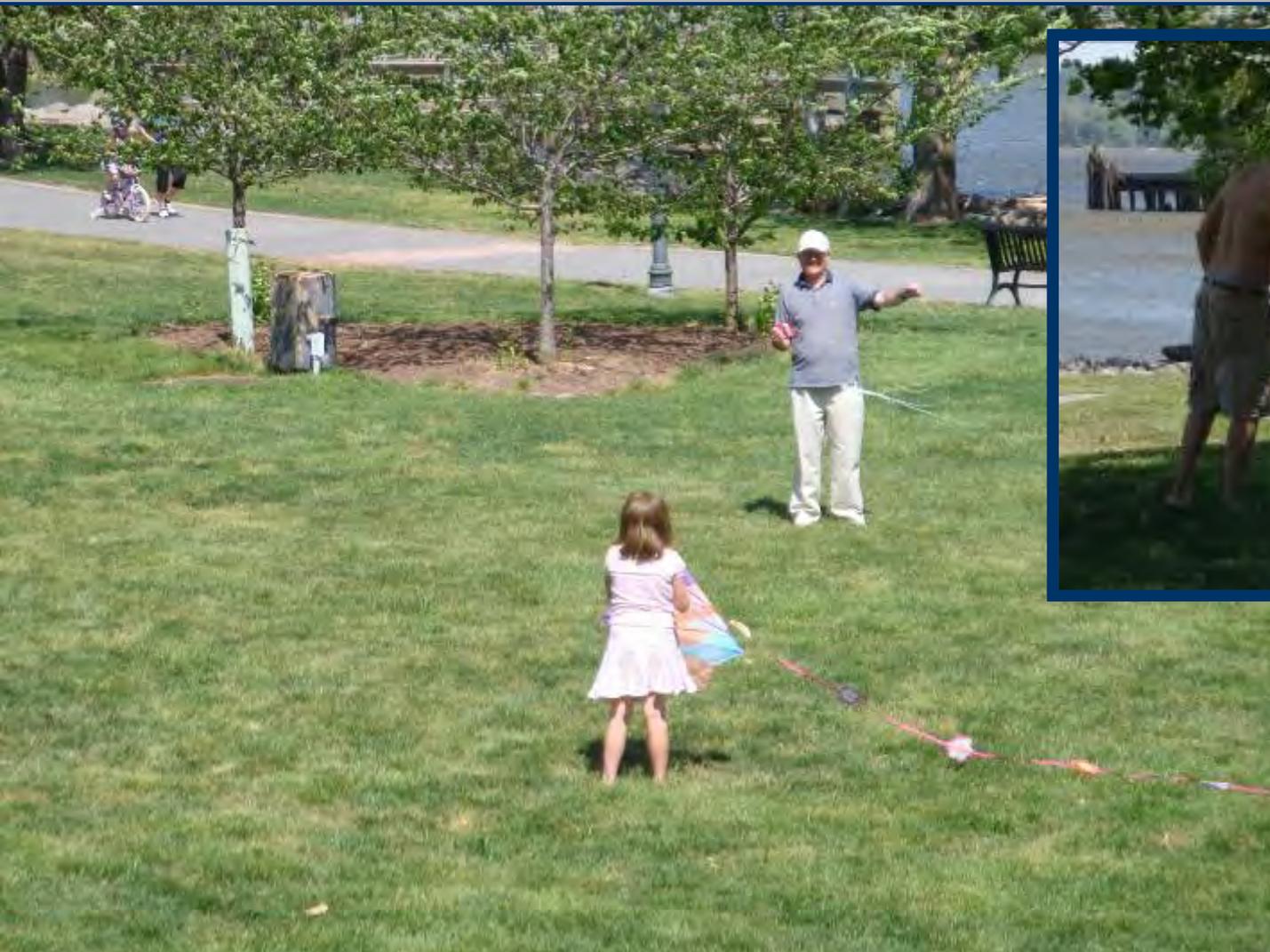


oronoco bay park

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



**oronoco bay
park, view to
northwest**



**kite flying
and bocce**

oronoco bay park



**boxcar:
theater or
other park
“building”**

oronoco bay

Alexandria's Waterfront **CONCEPT PLAN**



**robinson
terminal
north**



**union street
between the
robinson
terminal
north
buildings**





Oronoco Bay April 30, 2010



illustrative plan: full extent

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



approaching city dock

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



**water's edge:
southern
end.**

approaching city dock



**behind chart
house**

city dock



**transition:
founder's
park to city
dock**

king street and the strand

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



**city dock,
facing north**

king street and the strand

Alexandria's Waterfront
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**king street
park, facing
the river**

king street and the strand

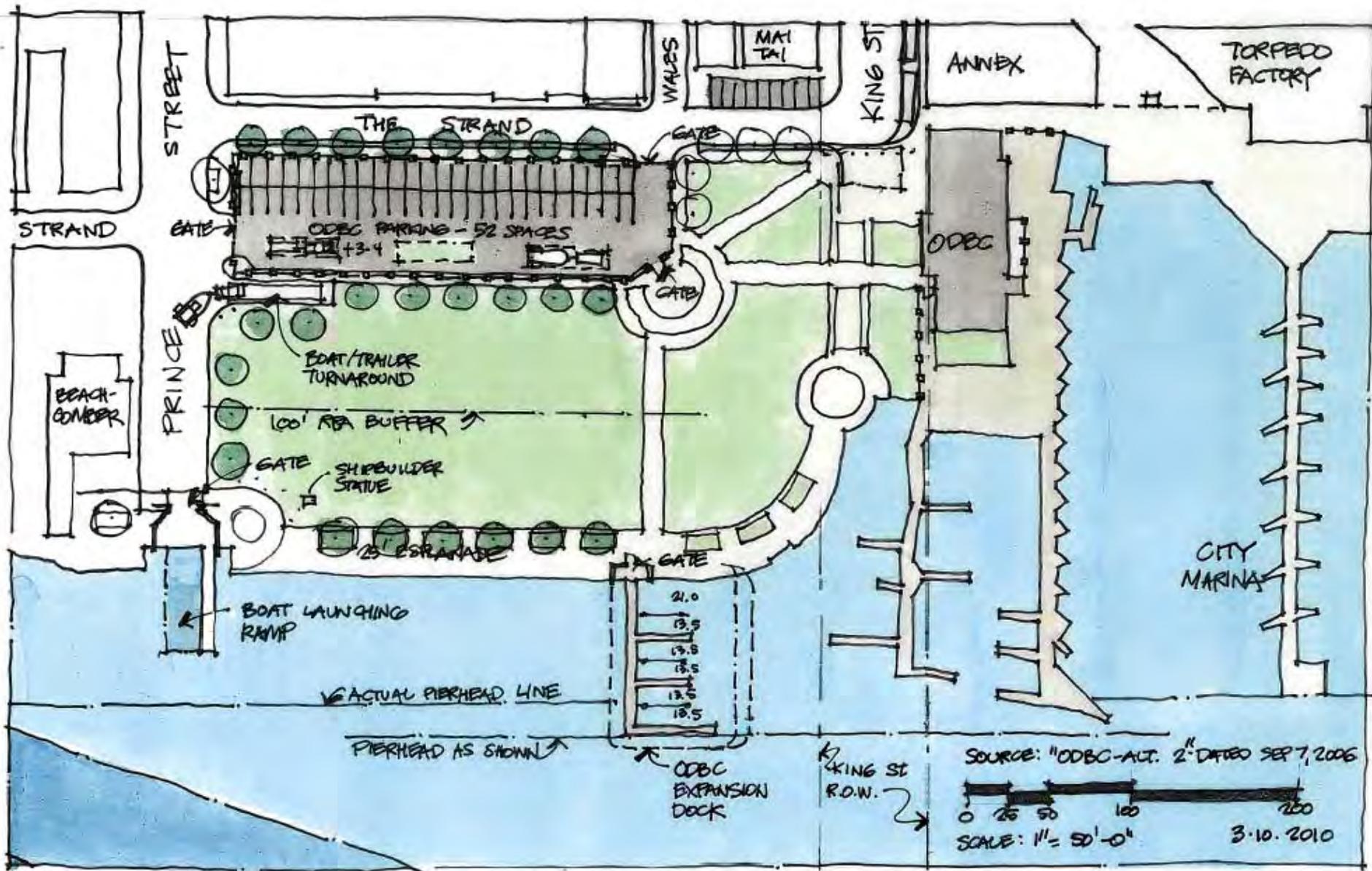
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**waterfront
park, facing
east**

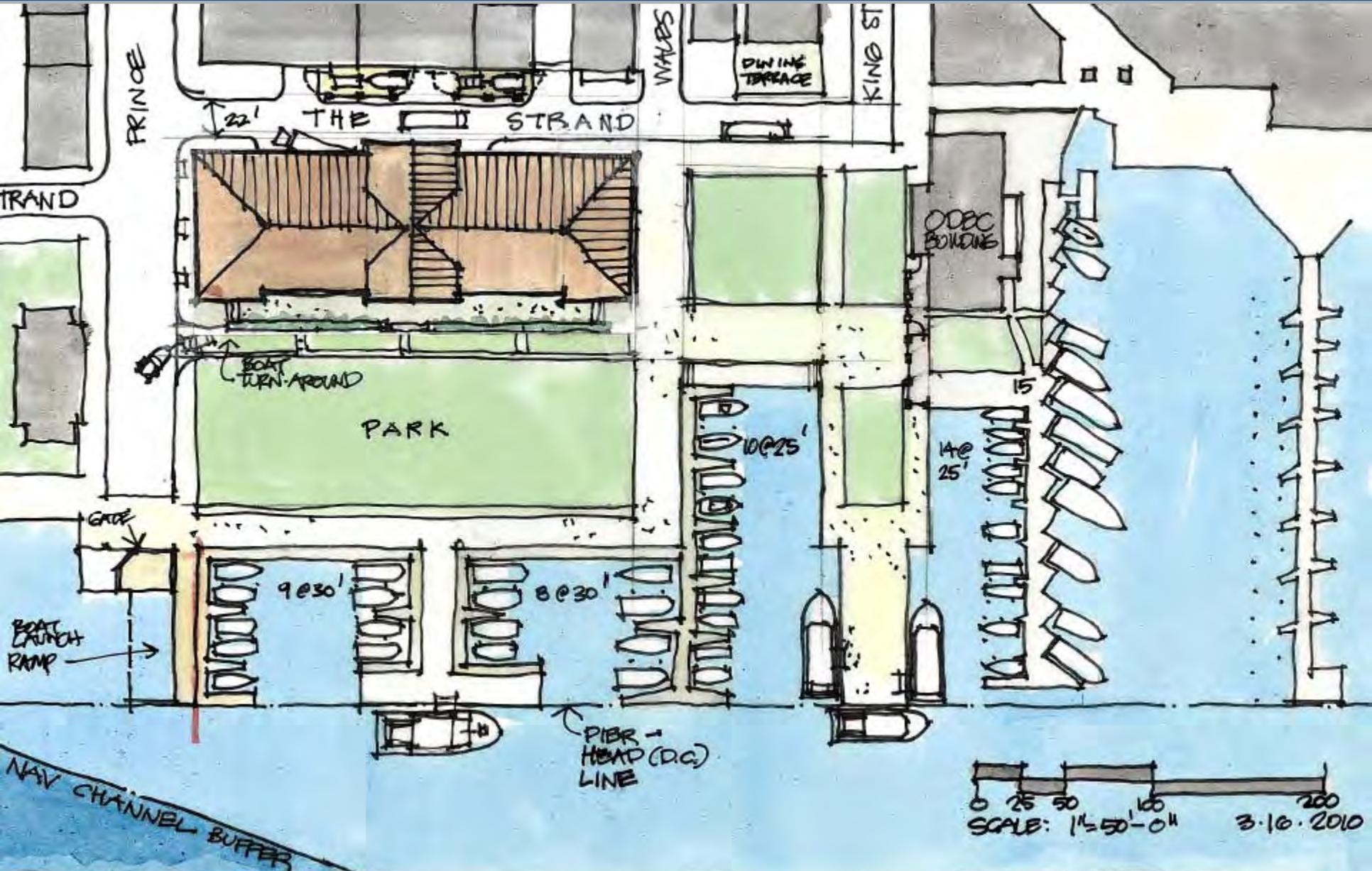
king street and the strand: phase 1

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



king street and the strand: phase 3

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



king street and the strand: final phase





waterfront park: looking north

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



king street pier: looking back to city

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN

King Street Pier

April



the strand: south

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



king street and the strand

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



**park
building:
battery park
city**

the strand: south



Waterfront Park Looking South

April 30, 2010



the strand: south



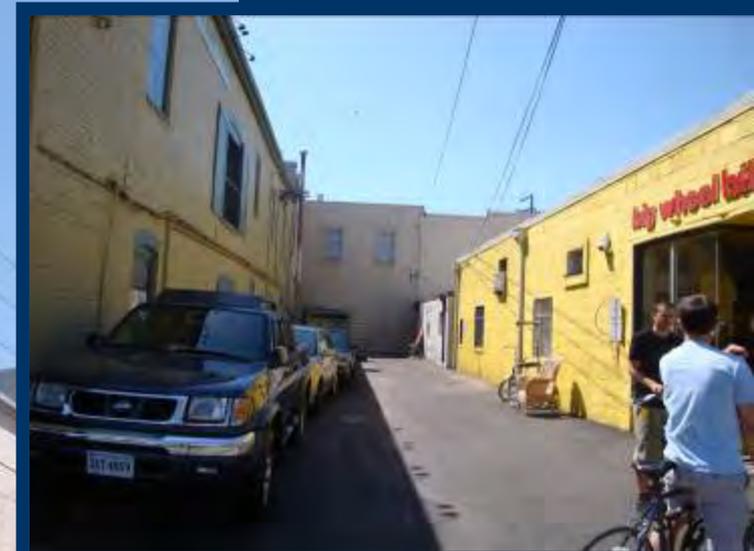
**view to
robinson
terminal
south from
“dandy”
parking lot**

the strand: south

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



the strand: south



blocked alley

**10 prince
street; 204 &
206 south
union street**

- printed document out shortly
- comments & feedback
 - boards, commissions and council
 - public groups
 - individuals
- full plan (draft) mid-summer
- draft plan to council in fall

- Community presentation: May 3
- Planning Commission Work Session: May 4
- Old Town Civic Association: May 12
- Alexandria Chamber: May 13
- Waterfront Committee: May 18
- Park and Recreation Commission: May 20
- BAR: June 2

- continuous pedestrian path
- art walk
- king street pier
- expanded point lumley park
- new pedestrian-only public spaces areas
- restaurants in the strand area
- preserve historic buildings
- expanded marina
- plan for redevelopment

bike-ped-vehicle conflicts



**bike trail at
Madison
Street**

reference photos



**robinson
north and
pier**

reference photos



**robinson
north**

reference photos



**pipefitters
union bldg**



**oronoco park
railroad
tracks**

reference photos



**corner of
oronoco park
behind
railroad
tracks**

reference photos



**union
between
robinson
terminal
buildings**

reference photo



**between
chart house
and food
court**

old town parking study



Parking Utilization on Friday Evening



E side/ Union

- Strand Lot 85
- Altman's Garage 62
- Thomp Alley Garage 43

W side/ Union

- Solo Garage 25
- 115 S. Union Garage 68
- Torpedo Condo Garage 361
- N. Union St. Garage 174

N Lee/Queen

- Altman's Lot 87

West of N. Fairfax

- Market Sq. Garage 196
 - Tavern Sq. Garage 164
- 1265

old town parking study

- long term parking: from street to garages
 - better meters, different rates & hours
 - wayfinding
- expanded garage access (private)
- valet parking
- reduced SOV trips

Waterfront Plan

- max use of existing spaces
- phase with increased demand for parking
 - new uses
 - increased popularity
 - type of visit: multi-destination vs single destination
- move uses with parking demand closer to existing parking
- focus on land uses with less parking demand
- redevelopment sites: on-site parking

founder's park

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



**looking
southeast**

founder's park

Alexandria's Waterfront
CONCEPT PLAN



**water's
edge**

city dock

Alexandria's Waterfront **CONCEPT PLAN**



**city dock,
facing north**

- building on the past
- goals, inspiration and vision
- research and analysis
- balancing objectives
- testing the concept
- preparing the plan

*Alexandria's
Waterfront*

ACTIVITY MAP



City of Alexandria, Virginia
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting - May 20, 2010

Agenda Item I. Welcome by Chair-Presentation City of Alexandria Waterfront Plan

Faroll Hamer; Director, City of Alexandria Department of Planning & Zoning

The Waterfront Plan covers the area from Jones Point Park (where the National Park Service has completed its planning) in the south to Daingerfield Island in the north; approximately, by Union Street (south of Queen Street) and Fairfax Street (north of Queen Street) to the west, and then Bashford Lane out to the George Washington Memorial Parkway north to Daingerfield Island.

On January 13, 2009, the City Council received a report setting out the proposed public process for the Waterfront Plan, which has been underway since that time and includes:

- Informational meetings to identify existing conditions, study other nationally and internationally successful waterfronts, and identify potential opportunities and constraints;
- Interactive meetings to enable interested parties and groups to share their ideas for the Waterfront Plan;
- A series of community workshops to establish values, principles and options for the Waterfront plan; and
- Walking and boat tours of Alexandria Waterfront and waterfronts in other cities.

At the most recent public meeting, held on May 3, 2010, a draft concept plan was presented to the public and will be represented to the Park and Recreation Commission at tonight's, May 20 meeting. A work session with City Council is currently scheduled for Tuesday, May 25 at 5:30 p.m. City staff and the consultant will work on the plan over the summer to develop the draft master plan for Planning Commission and City Council review in the fall.

For information contact Nancy Williams at 703.746-3851 or via email nancy.williams@alexandriava.gov.

Agenda Item II. Briefing on Construction Scheduled for Jones Point Park

Dottie Marshall; Superintendent and Kate Barrett; Landscape Architect

George Washington Memorial Parkway US Department of Interior, National Park Service

Jones Point Park is an approximately 65 acre park located in the southeastern corner of the City. The property is owned by the National Park Service. The National Park Service managed and implemented the park design process. The process integrated significant public input and included an Environmental Assessment/National Environmental Protection Act process.

In June, 2005, Council voted to support National Park Service proposed action Alternative 4A and National Park Service subsequently accepted that plan-which is now being implemented. The plan includes: two multi-use fields, natural areas, historic resource and interpretive features, 110 parking spaces and pedestrian/bike trails. Community Gardens presently in the Park are on Federal land and will remain under jurisdiction of the National Park Service. The City will not schedule or maintain athletic fields or other facilities such as the playground within the Park. These facilities will be used on a first-come/first-serve basis, similar to Daingerfield Island and Gravelly Point and maintained and operated by the National Park Service.

For further information, contact the George Washington Memorial Parkway Office of The Superintendent at 703.289.2501 or via email nicole_reaves@nps.gov

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Waterfront Concept Plan

1. **Authentic:** The Waterfront should have a unique identity that is grounded in the City's history.
 - **Celebrate and honor the broad history and culture** of the Alexandria Waterfront from, from prehistory to now.
 - **Respect the scale and fine grain of Old Town.**
 - **Protect identified historic resources, archaeological resources, and cultural resources**, including buildings and sites.
 - **Adaptively reuse identified historic buildings.**

2. **Connected:** Access to the Waterfront as the *Public Realm* should be increased and improved. Pedestrian connectivity along the Waterfront should be continuous.
 - **Create continuous pedestrian access** along the entire Waterfront.
 - Provide **continuous north-south bicycle access** via a dedicated lane/bicycle lane(s).
 - **Increase visibility** for pedestrians, bicycles, and vehicles on all grid streets and alleys and increase accessibility for pedestrians, bicycles and, as appropriate, vehicles.
 - **Create connections** to the Waterfront from Metro stations.
 - Increase the capacity for **access to Alexandria by boat.**
 - **Encourage tourism by boat** between Alexandria and other regional waterfront destinations.

3. **Inclusive:** The Waterfront is, and should continue to be, a citywide resource to be enjoyed by all Alexandrians.
 - **Ensure public access** to the entire Waterfront.
 - Provide **a variety of activities for people of all ages and cultures.**
 - **Link the Waterfront to Alexandria neighborhoods.**

4. **Dynamic:** The Waterfront should be a destination that attracts all Alexandrians and visitors and should be integral to the visitor experience in Alexandria.
 - **Expand services and activities** for visitors.
 - **Increase the use, frequency, and effectiveness of public spaces** for gatherings and events.
 - **Emphasize art and history in each new initiative** along the Waterfront. Utilize art and history as a unifying element.
 - **Strengthen the reputation of the area as a regional and national visitor destination** by adding uses that complement existing retail, office and tourist attractions.

5. **Variety:** There should be a variety of themes, activities, and experiences along the Waterfront.
 - **Create a diverse scale of spaces** along the Waterfront.
 - Offer activities and features that delight a diverse range of visitors.
 - **Provide a range of shoreline treatments** and types that offer diverse ways to interact with the water.

6. **Manageable:** The Waterfront's vehicular and pedestrian circulation and parking should be improved.
 - **Minimize pedestrian and vehicle conflicts.**
 - **Increase way-finding** for residents and visitors.
 - Ensure **no net loss of parking.**
 - **Maximize underutilized parking opportunities elsewhere** in Old Town.
 - Promote use of **designated pick-up and drop-off areas for motor coaches.**

7. **Sustainable:** The Waterfront should be able to sustain itself economically, environmentally and operationally.
 - **Create revenue**, initiate new partners, and leverage other resources that can be applied **for enhancing and maintaining public open space and other public infrastructure.**
 - **Maximize the utilization of existing resources.**
 - **Identify opportunities for satellite public facilities** to provide onsite Waterfront maintenance, security and emergency services.
 - **Protect the existing amount of open space and, if possible, expand it.**
 - Ensure that Waterfront development presents **Alexandria as an Eco-City.**
 - **Integrate and activate natural systems** and processes throughout the Waterfront.
 - Identify opportunities for **environmental education features.**
 - Use innovative and creative ideas for **flood protection.**
 - **Improve public health** (including mental health) through opportunities for active living.
 - Allow **historic character and scale to influence new development opportunities.**

8. **Compatible:** Future development in the Waterfront should respect the existing residential neighborhoods.
 - **Protect existing residential neighborhoods** from excessive noise and traffic.
 - **Meet the needs of residents** for open space, recreation and outdoor dining.

9. **Permeable:** Vistas of the water from surrounding areas should be enhanced. Vistas of the Waterfront from the river should be enhanced.
 - **Create overlooks** with views to the water and to the City.
 - **Explore piers**, especially where east-west streets meet the river.
 - **Preserve and enhance view corridors** to the water, including historic streets and alleys.
 - **Create a system of visual elements** to draw people to the water.

10. **Creative:** The Waterfront Plan should be bold, visionary, realistic, informative and offer surprises along the way.
 - **Offer a variety of locations where the public can become engaged with each other, art, artists and history.**
 - Offer **participatory opportunities** for people of all ages.
 - **Use art and history to tell the unique story** of people and experiences.
 - **Provide flexible spaces** that could be used for multiple activities.
 - Make the Waterfront **an example of design excellence.**



**Total Parking
Spaces: 110
(With
Special Event
Parking: 240)**

Visual Screening
Area for Relocated
Recycling Center

80-foot Stand-off
Distance
Forested
Wetlands

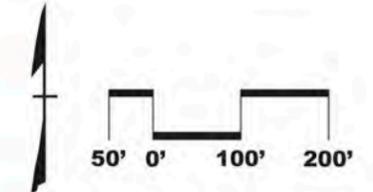
Secured
Event Parking

Perimeter
Barrier
80-foot Stand-off
Distance
Existing
Boardwalk



Perimeter
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Mt. Vernon
Bicycle Trail
Promenade
Stiff-leg
Derrick
Remains
Potomac
River
Ship Lawn

● 24 Inch, or larger, DBH (Diameter at Breast Height) Tree identified in the October 2000 Jones Point Park Forest Stand Delineation.



JONES POINT PARK

Alternative 4A

(One Multi-Use Field South of the WWB)
Potomac Crossing Consultants

Revision Date
February 16, 2007
February 22, 2007

Hunting
Creek

Jones Point Lighthouse
D.C. Cornerstone

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Park and Recreation Commission

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 17, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Oswald Durant Center

1605 Cameron Street, Alexandria VA

Summary Minutes

Commission Members: Judy Guse-Noritake, Chairperson. Henry S. Brooks, Rich Brune, William Cromley, David Dexter, Ripley Forbes, Stephen (Clark) Mercer, Robert Moir.

Excused Absences: Jeffrey Murphy, Anthony Zamora (new H.S. youth member)

RPCA Staff: James Spengler, Director, William Chesley, Jack Browand, Ron Kagawa, Laura Durham, Robin DeShields. Absent: Roger Blakeley.

Guests: Dr. Morton Sherman, Superintendent, ACPS, Margaret Byess, Deputy Superintendent, ACPS, Jim Gibson, President, Youth Sports Advisory Board.

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and welcomed guests.

I. ACPS Capital Projects Process Update and Jefferson Houston School - Dr. Morton Sherman, Superintendent ACPS and Margaret Byess, Deputy Superintendent, Planning and Support Operations.

Dr. Sherman greeted the audience and gave a brief presentation on the ACPS Public Private Partnership on the Jefferson Houston Site:

- Overview:
- **Alexandria City public school facilities are aging -average school is 57 years old.**
- Last year study done showed - three schools need replacement: Jefferson Houston (J.H.), Patrick Henry (P.H.) and Cora Kelly (C.K). P.H. and C.K to use traditional route- money placed in City long range CIP- both are planned as Pre-K to 8 schools.
- **Enrollment is increasing at middle schools:** Currently George Washington has 1000+ students and Francis Hammond has 1300+, Capacity is 1200/1500 respectively. Enrollment issues:T.C. Williams - 571+ students graduated today; Kindergarten enrollment is 1250 (double that of seniors). If pattern continues, very soon they will be out of space at middle schools and H.S. They are trying to expand options at elementary schools instead of making a new middle school. The **Jefferson Houston site** has a lot of potential due to its location/proximity to King St. Metro, hotels and open space. Public/Private Partnership concept is a way to use property to generate revenue without using taxpayer dollars. Land at J.H. site would not be sold but leased, ACPS or City would retain ownership of the land and the Developer would have right to develop it. The site includes ARHA housing units. **A 501C3-Non-Profit Foundation will be created** as the vehicle used for funding- no debt will be added to City or ACPS. Concept is a community run Foundation working with the neighbors, agencies, commissions and the school district as stakeholders. No Developer has been selected yet.
- **ACPS- Admin. Offices may move to new J.H. site-** offices at Mark Center (rent cost \$1 mil per year). Lease was recently re-negotiated in anticipation of move to J.H. site-will save taxpayers money. BRAC coming Seminary and Beauregard area and is expected to bring lots of traffic to area.

- **June 22 - Joint Work City Council and Alexandria City Public Schools will be held to discuss the Jefferson Houston Project.** If approved, Margaret Byess, ACPS will work with City to do a MOU to create the Board.
- The Superintendent said he understands the importance of Recreational and Arts needs and that land is scarce and fields are in demand. Hopes to find way to make it a collaborative effort. Gwen Wright- P&Z looking at creating a flat roof with field-green. They are changing from traditionally school building footprint- going up vertically-using a multi-story school concept (similar to Tucker).
- **Questions/Comments:**
- The Chair asked if plans had been developed yet and who owned the land?
- *Dr. Sherman - no plans have been developed yet- it is a broad concept right now. Presentation focuses on 501C3 Concept. City owns the land at J.H. site- ACPS has exclusive use of the site for a school (by City Code).*
- **The Chair** commented that the J.H. site is a highly valuable piece of property due to its location to King St. Metro. From P&RC prospective main concern is need for new Community Recreation facility and fields. Historically recreational needs have been shortchanged or considered after other budget items. In current CIP, money is mostly going towards Schools. The City can not afford to ignore recreational needs anymore or ten years down the line we will be in the same position. *Sherman – he agrees that the P&RC and ACPS should partnership for children. ACPS is now broadening the use of schools and moving towards community schools concept. Schools will open earlier and stay open later in order meet the needs of children. Recreation centers, sports and fields should be part of this plan. If J.H. model is done well it may save the City money and generate revenue that can be given back for field development.*
- **Chair-** She is glad to hear what is being said the P&RC will continue to advocate for these uses. There is not enough land, not enough money, but a lot of children. She commends ACPS for taking an innovative approach. Development can pay for those things that the community needs and wants which it cannot currently afford.
- **Dr. Sherman-** after concerns were expressed re: Ben Brenman field selection, ACPS-was creative and found way to pay for field at Hammond. Funds have now been placed in reserve acct to pay for field at Hammond. Chair-we are concerned but ready to embrace new opportunity.
- The **Chair asked** if it has it been considered what would happen if a school were not built on J.H. site. **Dr. Sherman.** *Yes this has been considered. From a Citywide prospective on enrollment and growth - we are out of space at several schools. Within 3-10 yrs. schools will be overcrowded. Schools are needed in the West End and on J.H. site. As Superintendent he has a responsibility to retain a school in this area of the City.*
- *Not sure Duran building can come down due to it potentially historical nature. Byess- if building has to be saved –it can be embedded into new site. Economic analysis clearly shows trade off on what can be funded as density is increased.*
- Mr. Cromley commented-As member of Parker Gray Civic Assoc. and community he feels that the planned development at J.H. site is appropriate. Density will help pay for development of site. It is important for community to understand the tradeoffs vs. benefits.
- The Chair, Superintendent Sherman and Margaret Byess held a discussion about the MOU and structure of the 501C3 board. The Chair asked if the Board would have decision making authority. Sherman- the MOU will define the structure and relationship

between the School, City and 501C3 Board. This could include Recreational facilities, fields and pools. It was suggested that a City Council Member be made part of the Board.

- **Jim Gibson** - said that there is a pent up demand for field space. We can't afford to have a field off-line for 1-2 years. **Sherman** – the work will be phased in over several years similar to T.C. Williams H.S model. Can't close J.H. until new school is ready-there is no where to put kids. **The Chair** said it may be possible to lease space for school in order to have site free and clear during construction. This would save money and allow site to be done correctly and in much less time. Doing the project in two phases will be far more complicated and expensive. Moving a grade school to temporary facilities for a couple years is not difficult to do and it could save the project a lot of money overall . Mr. Sherman said he is open to discussion on this. The Chair thanked Mr. Sherman for coming.

- **Margaret Byess**- gave a presentation, **Public Private Partnership on Jefferson Site-January 2010-CBRE**. She said the process is different than typical development plan.
- See pg. 11 **What are next steps/process?**
 - 1. Determine if ACPS and City will pursue joint development.
 - 2. ACPS and City enter into MOU for project.
 - 3. Hire ACPS Project Manager
 - 4. Continued-See Presentation...
 - **For copy of presentation go to ACPS website:**
<http://www.acps.k12.va.us/board/meetings/2009-2010/20100112sbx.pdf>

- **Discussion/Comments:**
- The Chair said that looking ahead as projects are phased-in, it will be important to coordinate plans between ACPS, RPCA and P&RC as to lessen the impact of fields being temporarily taken off-line (i.e. James K. Polk). The Chair said smart growth studies are showing that young families in the future will not be moving to suburbs but will want to stay and raise their children in high urbanized environments. They don't want lawns but they will want recreational fields near where they live. We need to move forward with Simpson Field in the interim. Byess-she is not sure where breakdown in communication happened re: Polk field, but will try to improve this. **Action Item**. Ms. Byess-asked Ron Kagawa-can coordinate 2 sets of long range plans ACPS and RPCA.

- **N. Potomac Yards Development:**
- **Spengler**- due to enrollment growth projections he sees the need for 2 schools at P.Y. but there is no additional land. At some point in future number of children in organized sports vs. number of fields available will cross lines and result in an extreme problem.
- **Chair**- N. Potomac Yard development recently approved will be dense. It needs to have a school, and a field and dog park. She was told there was not enough land for all three due to Metro Station being built and the amount of development to off-set that. The solution that was offered was to provide money to put artificial turf on an existing field, but that only does so much good. She stated that whenever land is considered necessary for a new school it should include a Recreation Center, and athletic field. If there is enough population growth to require a school then recreational facilities will also be required. We are all viewing multiple uses for the same land. We can not give up all open space for fields. The City still has a stated goal to acquire 37 acres of additional open space in the next few years. We have shared concerns and need to work together jointly. Alexandria Children belong to ACPS in daytime and Rec Centers after school.
- The Chair thanked Margaret Byess for coming and said that the P&RC will invite ACPS back in the fall for an update or as needed.

- **Hand-outs:**
- **T.C. Williams H.S. Transformation “from Good to Great” ACPS**
- **A Community Partnership for Jefferson Houston-ACPS**

REGULAR MEETING

II. Approval of Summary Minutes from May 20, 2010 (deferred to July).

III. Retreat Action Items:

- A. Continued Discussion of Draft Bylaws-Operating Procedures for Commission – Dave Dexter, Henry Brooks.
- B. Review and prioritize consolidated list of action items from Retreat, March 6.
- C. Develop list of items to address at P&RC meetings for July and September 2010.
Action: Discussion of these items was deferred to next meeting.

IV. Division Updates (See Staff Reports):

www.alexandriava.gov/Department/Recreation/Commissions and Committees

A. **Recreation Services-** William Chesley

See Staff Report- Pg. 1 **Adult Activities.** A question was asked what is being done to identify the need for additional adult sports? Mr. Chesley said RPCA-Sports Section staff is meeting, doing research and looking at trends in order to get ideas for expanding opportunities for indoor sports, they are open to suggestions. Mr. Forbes raised a question on availability of space at Centers for indoor volleyball at Minnie Howard. Mr. Chesley-gyms are not designated solely for basketball use. Goal is to have diversified uses; there may be other gyms that can handle this use they are also looking at expansion of hrs. He thanked him for his feedback. *The Chair suggested holding a lunchtime listening session at PTO Office, with young adults in order to get feedback on their interest, in addition to looking outside the Alexandria community for ideas. She stated that indoor sports are important and that why it is important to have full size gyms at new school sites.*

B. **Operations & Park Planning Monthly Report** - Roger Blakeley

See Staff Report: **Customer Satisfaction Survey-** In response to a question about limited number of participants (17), RPCA Director explained that new survey is new is being to try to solicit ongoing feedback, goes out with every email. Although response was limited to 17 people-Overall satisfaction rate is very good. Over the course of the year data will be used as tool in improving service needs. Chair-in future this will be helpful when the Recreational Needs Assessment is reviewed. Mr. Mercer followed-up re: Chinquapin Garden Plots and 4-Mile Run trash issues. Mr. Spengler said he should contact John Walsh and or Roger Blakeley respectively, by email or phone.

C. **Office on the Arts Update** -Alisa Carrel

See Staff Report- no questions/or comments.

D. **Park Planning Updates-**Ron Kagawa

See Staff Report- **Potomac Yard N. Plan.** The Chair said this item was on City Council docket last week. She requested Mr. Kagawa and Beth Carton provide a brief presentation at the next meeting.

Waterfront Plan Update- staff is reviewing the public input. The P&Z Dept. is meeting with the Arts Commission on Monday.

Potomac Yard-Landbay K- Chair- there is a kickoff meeting for the final plan. Kagawa EDAW was the firm who completed the approved preliminary plan for the park, but they were not selected to complete the final design plans. Another firm was selected. He and

Beth have met with the new firm. They are reviewing the final development plans. The developer expects to have construction documents out to bid in Feb. for construction in the spring. Kagawa- there will be no substantial changes, except for the possible change of location of the Metro Station.

E. **Marketing, Public Relations & Special Events** - Jack Browand

- See Staff Report. Mr. Browand reminded P&RC and staff of the Parker Gray Roundtable Community Block Party-on Saturday June 26 at Charles Houston.

V. **Director's Report** - James Spengler

A. **Jones Point Park:** (verbal update)

- Update-Since the last meeting May 20, there have been several meetings with the NPS and VDOT. On June 9 a meeting was held at the office of Congressman Jim Moran to discuss various issues related to the Woodrow Wilson Bridge and construction at the Park. As a result, Mayor Euille and Congressman Moran will hold **a public Community Meeting on July 13 at 6:30 at the Lee Center**, to discuss the project. The NPS and VDOT will conduct a presentation. VDOT will be the lead for contacting Homeland Security to see if we can get a different response in regards to secured parking under the bridge. Currently in order to use parking lots under bridge people will have to be screened by Homeland Security. Homeland Security will not give approval to open the lot unless NPS and VDOT agree to fund screeners. Mayor Euille, and Congressman Moran are reviewing screening requirements to see if they still make sense and/or if they can be relaxed.

Clarification on Construction Closings- The entire Park will not be closed during construction. There will be access to the community gardens, recycling center and Mt. Vernon Trail will be open during construction. Southern portion of property; fishing pier, lighthouse will be closed as needed depending on construction and safety factors. **Construction to begin October 2010 and is expected to take 16-24 months.** Bid will go out mid-July not June. A P&RC member expressed concern that the NPS could not provide clear information on May 20. Director said the community will receive updated information. There were no further comments.

B. **Legislative Proposals 2011 General Assembly**

- Memo was distributed from Bernard Caton, Legislative Director dated May 20 to all commissions soliciting items that the City might request for the next Virginia legislative session in 2011. The Chair and members held a brief discussion on possible proposals. The Chair proposed that the P&RC request that the City ask the Legislature to once again consider letting Alexandria use a real estate transfer tax to fund open space acquisition. The Chair said that this would be in addition to requesting City Council to reinstate annual funding of the Open Space Fund in coming years. **Motion:** The Chair motioned that as part of request for legislative proposals for the 2011 General Assembly the P&RC request that the City ask for the ability to employ a real estate transfer tax be used to implement the adopted Open Space Plan. Rich Brune seconded the motion. Steven (Clark) Mercer- opposed the motion due to lack of information and details regarding the use of this kind of program. All others were in support. The motion passed. **Action Item:** The Chair will process the necessary documents in order to get this included as part of the 2011 General Assembly Legislation package. **Due date is September 8.**

VI. **2010 CIVIC Awards Sub-committee Recipient Recommendations.**

- Commissioner David Dexter reported that 10 Nominations were received. The subcommittee is **recommended** awards as follows. **Individual:** Jeffrey Peisch- for his service as a youth coach-Alexandria Little League Board member and President, and Whitney A. Dubinsky- for her volunteer service to the Cora Kelly Recreation Advisory Board and involvement with the Duron building site. **Group:** - Architects

Anonymous-for their work on the Duron Paint Building- Mt. Vernon Ave. Professor Jaan Holt- in recognition of 30 years of exemplary service in design education, and service to alumnus of the City's only academy of Architecture and Design.

- **Action Item:** Henry Brooks motioned that the P&RC accept the recommendations of the CIVIC Award sub-committee. The motion was seconded by Rich Brune. All were in favor. Mr. Browand, RPCA will order plaques for the recipients.
- **The Ceremony will be held, July 10, 4 to 10 p.m. at Oronoco Bay Park as part of the City of Alexandria Birthday Celebration.**
- Members and staff discussed revising the nomination criteria to include the fact that a one-year minimum of service is required. It was also suggested that nominations received that may belong to other groups be forwarded to them expeditiously.

VII. Commission Attendance Report and 2009-2010 Annual Report - Jack Browand

- The annual Attendance Report and Annual Report are due. See Attachment: letter from Rose Boyd, Executive Secretary for Boards and Commissions. The City wants to ensure that all boards/commissions are in compliance for 2010 and has asked that this item be made part of the official agenda. **Action Item:** Mr. Browand will coordinate completion of reports in conjunction with the P&RC and RPCA staff the **due date is July 23**. The report will focus on highlights and be forwarded to the P&RC members for input and review.

VIII. Reports From Commissioners (verbal updates)

- **Ft. Ward Ad Hoc Advisory Commission**- Bob Moir, Ripley Forbes, Rich Brune
 - Brune- a meeting was held-update on what various Committees have done. Moir- next meeting RPCA and T&ES staff will lead a field trip to view weeds and discuss mowing cycle. The committee's year term will end in December 2010.
- **Youth Policy Commission**- Stephen (Clark) Mercer
 - He was away during last meeting. They voted to merge the Youth Policy Commission & the Alexandria Early Childhood Commission. He supports this recommendation. A new group will be created to align services for children, youth and families.
- **Waterfront Committee**- William Cromley
 - There are some people in favor of a certain amount of commercial development vs. others who feel the waterfront should be left alone and/or don't favor of commercial development or feel that the City should pay for it. He feels the overall Concept plan is good and worth pursuing. Appropriate Development that is very well planned will help pay for improvements. **Follow-up on letters requested by the Chair, Waterfront Committee**,- Judy she recently contacted the Chair Waterfront Committee and let him that the P&RC would write the letter in support of the no wake boat. They will meet soon with the goal of helping to build a better working relationship between the P&RC and Waterfront Committee.
- **Youth Sports Committee**- Jeffrey Murphy (absent).
 - **Jim Gibson, Chair, YSC**- reported. last month, the Chair, School Board and new Athletic Director, T.C. Williams H.S. attended the meeting. **Initiative is being pushed to get lights installed at T.C. Williams H.S. synthetic turf field in order to make full use of the field.** A small group of residents have expressed concern. They will meet with new Principal to address this issue. **Chair, Guse-Noritake**- the SUP for the field specifically prohibited use of lights. Recommended Mr. Gibson speak with Planning & Zoning, Deputy Director (Ross) to obtain guidance on how to approach the issue of possibly amending the SUP. It is important to understand the legal ramifications and to gain community support. Main concern of neighbors was not the lights but potential noise due to use of amplifiers and constant use of field on weekends. Moir- suggested that community be told that on weekends will have youth games without the use of speakers. Brooks- lighting types have changed/ improved since that time. Gibson-anyone that is for children should understand the importance of having full use of the field/facility at T.C. Williams H.S. One night game, has been approved for October 29, at T.C. Williams

using portable lights. If lighting of T.C. Williams athletic turf field is approved this will help expand field use for children in Alexandria.

- **4-Mile Run**- Ripley Forbes and Chair
- Energized group, 4-Mile Run project will happen in the future. A **New Farmers Market-will open in Arlandria Sunday, June 20 at 8:00 a.m.** SUP for the Duron building-4109 Mt. Vernon Ave. was passed by City Council Saturday, June 12. Chair- see article on the Duron paint building in the Washington Post.
- **Charles Houston Memorial Project**-William Cromley
- Parker Gray Roundtable- Block Party- Saturday, June 26 at Charles Houston 11a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is an effort to build communication between residents of public housing and the community and tour the new Rec. Ctr. May be used as a pilot program for other areas of City.
- **Freedman's Cemetery**-Bob Moir
- **Beauregard Corridor Plan**- David Dexter
- June 28 meeting-has been cancelled by P&Z. Next meeting is in September.
- **BRAC** Update- Alexandria Gazette published Article today. Congressman Jim Moran's proposal to cap the number of parking spaces at 1000 passed. See article
- September 2011- 6400 new residents will move to area (Seminary Rd. & Beauregard St).-will bring a lot of traffic. **Durham**- she was notified recently that the NVCT is working with the Winkler Foundation to do a Conservation Easement on property. Chair- suggested the Commission look at possibly requesting conservation easements for some of Alexandria's larger parks. The P&RC may look into this in the future.
- **ACPS & Capital Improvements**. – refer to Item I-
- Other:
- **Charles Opalak**- Outreach Events on Mt. Vernon Trail this summer. Looking for ideas and and input. First event is June 26 and 27. Arlington- Mile 16 marker. There will be water, activities and giveaway and of safety prevention info. The Chair-said that the P&RC doesn't have much overlap with George Washington Parkway. It was suggested he speak with Yon Lambert, T&ES, Bike Trail Coordinator. Kagawa-will provide contact info. There will be a community tent at the 4-Mile Run Farmer's Market.

IX. Agenda items and location for July meeting.

- PotomacYard Presentation, location Mt. Vernon Recreation Center-to be confirmed.

X. List of Upcoming Public Meetings- a list of public meetings was distributed.

XI. Adjournment- 9:40 p.m.

Public Private Partnership on Jefferson – Houston Site

Presentation to:



Alexandria City Public Schools

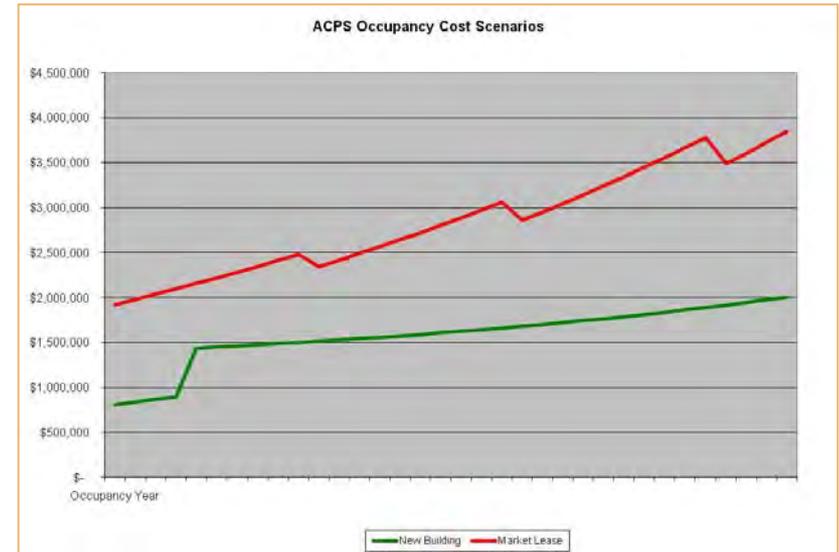


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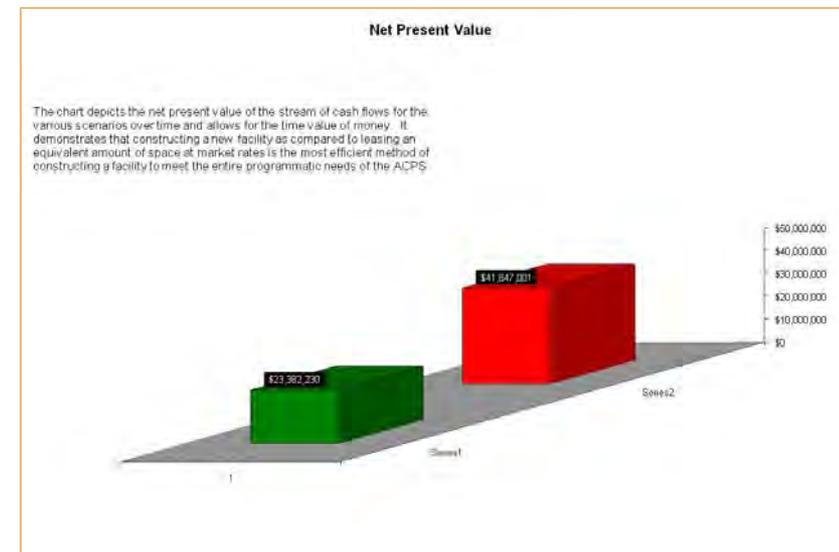
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- 1. Tour of Existing ACPS Sites**
- 2. Negotiate reduction and extension of existing lease**
 - Substantial reduction in cost**
 - Extension of term to 6/30/13**
(accommodates new construction schedule)
- 3. Programming exercise to establish future space requirements for Central Office**
- 4. Construction Cost estimate and schedule for Stand Alone ACPS Central Office Facility**
- 5. Development of preliminary financial model/business case in support of new ACPS Central Office Facility**

Cash Flow Analysis Status Quo versus New Build



Net Present Value Analysis Status Quo versus New Build



1. New Elementary School
2. ACPS Administrative Facility on existing site
3. New Performing Arts Center and Public Swimming Pool
4. New City Administrative Facility
5. Mix of private uses to subsidize above

Basic Structure of PPP

- 1. Community engaged
Development Concept established
RFP Issued
Developer Selected

- 2. Foundation formed/ID'd to issue tax exempt debt for public elements
(School, Performing Arts Center, Pool, Central Office)

- 3. ACPS/City enter into development agreement with Developer through Foundation to construct Public Elements.

- 4. Developer assumes delivery risk and constructs improvements to bid specs

ACPS/City delivers long term lease w Foundation

T.E. \$\$ provided to construct improvements

Developer assumes risk and builds public elements

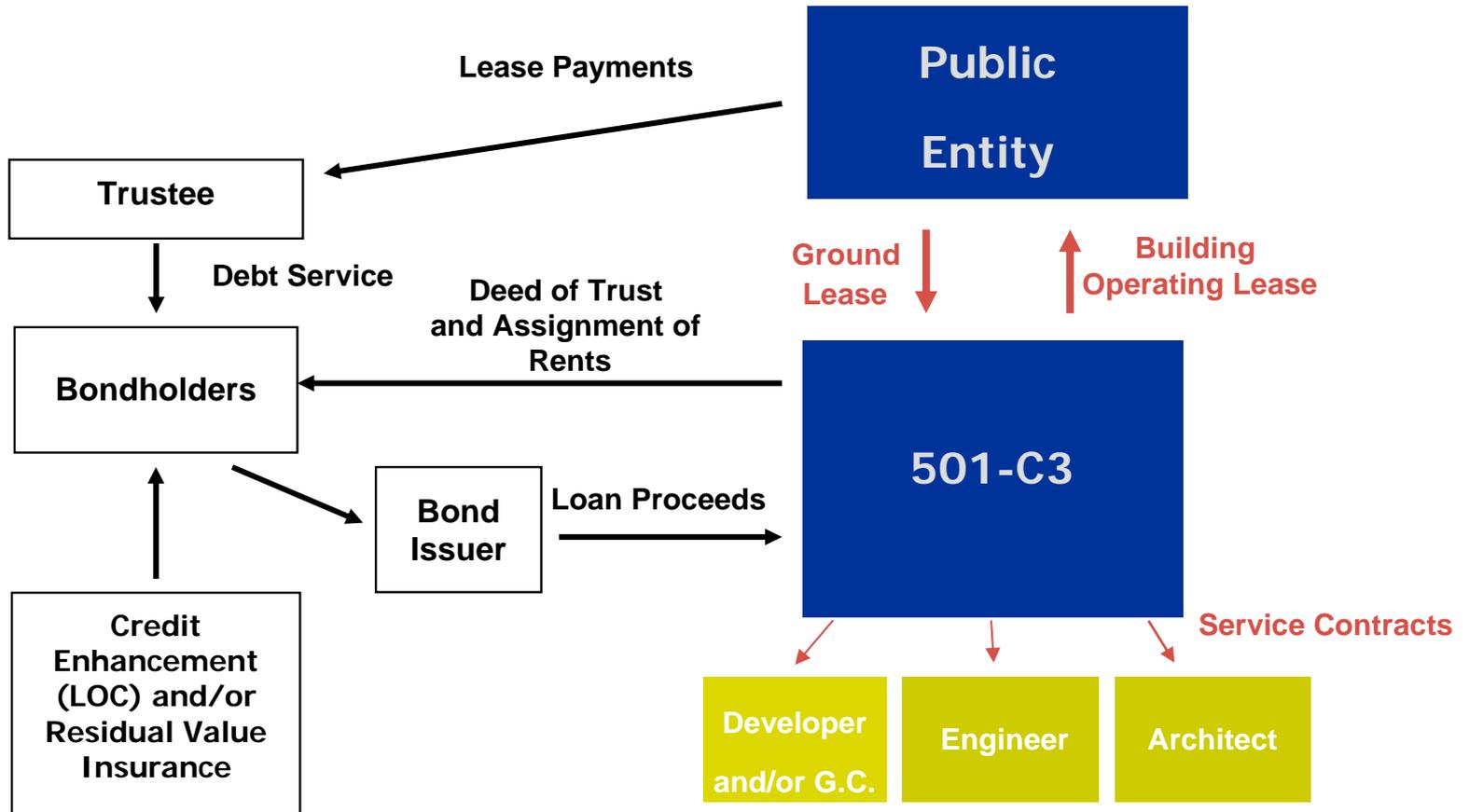
Developer obtains financing for private development



Typical Lease Terms

- **Public organization retains (or receives by gift) land ownership**
- **501-c3 receives a 40-year ground lease for project land (could be longer)**
- **501-c3 purchases (or constructs) buildings on project land**
- **Buildings are leased to public occupier for (typical) 15 to 20 year base term, plus renewal options**
- **Rent is calculated as a direct pass-through of bond financing (principal, interest and associated financing expenses)**
- **Public occupier has ongoing option to purchase buildings at remaining principal balance of bonds (buildings on ground leases are a “wasting asset” and decline in fair market value over time)**
- **At end of base lease term public occupier can renew, purchase or vacate**
- **Lease structure meets all FASB & GASB tests for operating lease treatment**
- **Building ownership reverts to Public occupier at end of ground lease by operation of law**

Typical Transaction Structure



Appeal to Public Organization Occupiers

- Lease costs far below current market lease rates
- A cost of funds (and occupancy) closely equivalent to the organization's own debt rates
- Ability to fund specialized buildings or improvements that would not typically be appealing to conventional landlords
- Control of future property residual value through the ground lease reversionary rights, and the declining-price purchase option
- Complete financial "transparency" for all costs and expenses
- Operating Lease accounting treatment (off-balance sheet), allowing preservation of balance sheet and financial ratios
- (In most jurisdictions) exemption from sales taxes on construction materials and portion or all of property taxes
- Opportunity to generate tax revenue on private development (real estate, sales, etc.). Taxes can be used to underwrite public elements, TIF, etc. (Lockbox/PILOT)

Expense and Income - Putting Real Property to Work

Element/Feature	Costs/Expense	Income/Offsets	Comment
School & Performing Arts Center	Tax Exempt Debt through COP or 501 C3	Land Lease for private development, new property taxes or Payment in Lieu of Taxes offsets cost of public elements	Construction Costs at 3 year low. Good time to spec, bid and buy
Public Pool & Rec Center	Tax Exempt Debt through COP or 501 C3	Land Lease for private development, new property taxes or Payment in Lieu of Taxes offsets cost of public elements	Construction Costs at 3 year low. Good time to spec, bid and buy
Administrative Building (ACPS)	Tax Exempt Debt through COP or 501 C3	Existing lease expense	Preliminarily shown that build/own is less expensive than existing strategy of leasing at market rates
Administrative Building (City)	Tax Exempt Debt through COP or 501 C3	Existing lease expense	Will likely prove that build/own is less expensive than existing strategy of leasing at market rates
Community Retail	Tax Exempt Debt through COP or 501 C4	Income from 1st floor retail will subsidize some construction cost	Tax exempt debt limited to 5-10% of total construction budget
Private Development 1		Land Lease, Property Taxes or Payment in Lieu of Taxes (see above)	Likely Residential and Office Use. Underground Parking. Anticipate significant community input. Density substantial given Metro Access. Possible Non Profit HQ location.
Private Development 2		Land Lease, Property Taxes or Payment in Lieu of Taxes (see above)	Likely Residential and Office Use. Underground Parking. Anticipate significant community input. Density substantial given Metro Access. Possible Non Profit HQ location.

Oyster School Public Private Partnership



Challenge:

- Successful dual language acquisition program
- Crowded, run-down building
- Active parents
- City in fiscal crisis
- School located in high density residential area where housing was in demand
- School system had not built a new school in 20 years
- New funds to pay for school design and construction

Solution:

- Subdivided former 1.67 acre site in half
- Developer designed and constructed new school and a new 211 unit market-rate apartment
- Fee simple sale of portion of property (1/2)
- Private developer pays \$804,000/year for 35 years in lieu of taxes to pay off the \$11 million Oyster School Bond

Result:

- First new school built in District of Columbia with **no out of pocket expense** to taxpayers

What are next steps/process?

1. Determine if ACPS and City will pursue joint development
2. ACPS and City enter into MOU for project
3. Hire ACPS Project Manager
4. Identify and contract for supporting team members needed, assign responsibilities and create schedule (FA, Legal, A&E, etc.)
5. Identify community stakeholders and gain input
6. Identify and/or create Foundation/501-c3
7. Complete programming exercise to determine which elements will be included:
 - New Elementary School, Public Swimming pool, Performing Arts Center,
 - Administration Building
 - ACPS only
 - ACPS and City
8. Establish what if any additional development potential exists on site
9. Create Development Concept
10. Estimate value to be captured by Public Private Partnership
11. Prepare preliminary construction budgets for individual elements
12. Develop and distribute Request for Proposal to go to Market
13. Receive and analyze Developer Proposals
14. Submit findings to City/ACPS and Community
15. Select preferred development partner
16. Negotiate and document development agreement
17. Oversee developer activities on site and construction manage City/ACPS elements through completion

Questions

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 12, 2010

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

**FROM: WILLIAM CHESLEY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR
RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

**SUBJECT: JULY 15, 2010 COMMISSION MEETING ITEM IV-A
RECREATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES REPORT**

Youth Activities

- The Alexandria City Community Theatre (ACCT) held a production at the Lee Center on June 19.
- Staff is collaborating with ARHA, the Northern Virginia Urban League and other community based groups to plan a one day Youth Arts Festival on August 14. The event will be held on the grounds of the Jefferson Houston Elementary School. ACCT will be featured at the festival in the form of a 50 year anniversary tribute to the Motown Records Company and the many artists who recorded their work under the Motown label.
- Fifty-two youth are enrolled in the Alexandria Titans Track Club program. The club has competed in one meet in June and is scheduled to compete in a meet at Falls Church High School on July 17.
- The opening game ceremony and games of the Girls Field Hockey Program were held at Minnie Howard on June 22. One hundred twelve (112) children are enrolled in the program.
- Other summer youth sport programs that are under way include the summer basketball league (5 teams), National Junior Tennis League (105 participants at 3 sites), Fundamental Basketball School (51 children enrolled), Instructional Baseball League (10 teams) and Rugby (4 teams).
- New indoor youth sport initiatives are being planned for implementation in late fall/early winter.
- Division staff is working with staff from other departments and AmeriCorps to address programming needs at the Brent Place apartment complex. It has been determined that

there are large numbers of underserved school age children living at the complex. The City received a grant to support this effort, which is expected to begin in September 2010.

- The Therapeutic Recreation Section held a Celebration of Life event on June 30 at the Lee Center to honor the lives of volunteers and participants that have had a major impact on the program and the lives of children who have participated in the program. Over 100 persons attended the event along with many of the children who are currently enrolled in the program.

Adult Activities

- Staff is reviewing national and regional adult programming trends and is considering new programming options beginning in the Fall or Winter of 2010/2011. New programming may include modified indoor soccer leagues, a marathon softball tournament and weekend volleyball tournaments. Staff is exploring ways to assess adult interest in these and other programs in the weeks ahead to coordinate space needs for new fall and winter programming.
- The Summer Basketball League began in June and consists of 14 teams playing in two leagues.

Neighborhood Recreation Centers

- RPCA is coordinating its Capital Facilities Maintenance Program (CFMP) with guidance and direction from the Department of General Services. The fitness rooms at Chinquapin Park Recreation Center and Cora Kelly Recreation Center will undergo some slight renovation and new equipment will be added by September 2010.
- Registration for the 2010 “Power-On summer program continues. As of July 12, 1,097 children are enrolled in the program. The final enrollment tally for the 2009 program was 1,248 children. The theme of the summer program is “Power On to the Arts.”
- Final FY-2010 After School Program enrollment was 1,312 children, which represents a -34% change from last year’s YTD enrollment.
- The Power-On Program Out of School Time Satisfaction Survey was completed by 239 parents/guardians of youth enrolled in the program at the seven full time recreation centers, three after school programs and the two Power-Up Programs. 90% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed to the eight survey questions indicating approval of the program. Over 50% responded that they strongly agreed to the following statements: (1) program increased social interactions and developed friendships; (3) personal enjoyment; (7) the group leader is knowledgeable, creative and responsive to the needs of the children; (8) overall, my child enjoyed him/herself and was satisfied with the program/activity.

- Work continues on the plan to implement the National Safe Place Program at all of our full-time recreation centers. Safe Place provides access to immediate help and safety for youth in crisis and makes it easy for youth to quickly connect with a service providing agency to access help. This process takes approximately 12 months to complete as it requires certain community partnerships to be formed, training staff, community education and awareness, etc. Two staff will attend certification training in September and will begin training staff in the centers shortly thereafter.
- William Ramsay Recreation Center and the Ford Nature Center staffs are collaborating on a new initiative entitled “Naturally Fit Hikes”, a nature-oriented program to combat obesity. The 3 week program will commence in late June.
- The summer component of the late night adult basketball league at Charles Houston Recreation Center is scheduled to begin on July 22.
- A Bullying Prevention Program will be implemented at all neighborhood recreation centers in August to educate children about the dangers of bullying and to equip children with knowledge on how to prevent bullying and the steps they should take if they see or experience bullying.
- Children at Nannie Lee Recreation Center initiated a community vegetable garden and are planning some activities in late July and August where vegetables grown in the garden will be on display.

Aquatics

- The outdoor pools (Houston Memorial, Ewald, Old Town and Warwick Pools) are all in operation. Due to requests for expanded operating hours of the pools, operating hours at Charles Houston Memorial Pool and Ewald Pool are being expanded through Labor Day.
- The "Wahoos" swim team is off to a good start. One hundred twenty youth are enrolled in the program. The team has fared well in several swim meets.
- RPCA will initiate an Aquatic Master Plan in FY-2011. This is timely as the feedback we are receiving regarding program capacity, scheduling, overcrowding during peak use hours, etc., demonstrates a need to evaluate facilities and programs relative to the needs and expectations of residents.

Environmental Education

- New programs and activities being planned include a Traveling Naturalist Program, Nature Center Docent Training Program, Traveling Nature Exhibit, and a Nature Art Contest and Exhibit.
- William Ramsay Recreation Center and the Ford Nature Center staffs implemented a new initiative entitled “Naturally Fit Hikes”, a nature-oriented program to combat obesity.

The 3 week program commenced in late June. More than 50 children have taken part in the program to date.

- Volunteers contributed 182 hours in June towards nature activities, animal care, park and nature trail work and a new flower bed at the entrance to Dora Kelly Park.
- Naturalist Jennifer Millwood, Jerome Ford Nature Center, completed her Master Naturalist Certification through the Arlington Regional Chapter of the Virginia Master Naturalist Program.

Other

- Staff is working with the IT Section to enhance the Department's web page to make it more customer friendly. Changes are scheduled for implementation prior to the start of the fall registration period.
- The Parker-Gray Roundtable's Community Open House event was held on June 27 at Charles Houston Recreation Center. The event included a job fair and four 30 minute workshops on programs and services offered in the City.
- Chinguapin Hosted the T.C. Williams High School All Night Graduation Party on June 17. The event was attended by 350 students and over 100 volunteers assisted with the event.
- The Class and Camp Program Section offered 306 summer classes (youth and adult) and camps, of which 270 were successfully implemented. This represents an overall success rate of 82.2%. The LERN class success rate standard is 85%.

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 15, 2010

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

FROM: ROGER BLAKELEY DEPUTY DIRECTOR, PARK OPERATIONS
RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT- ITEM IV-B.

Current Managed Meadows and “No-Mow” Areas

Fort Ward Park: extensive “No-Mow” areas, including woodland glades, were incorporated into the overall management plan for the park this spring.



Native warm season grasses: Panic Grasses (*Dichanthelium* spp.) and Poverty Oat Grass (*Danthonia spicata*) in “No-Mow” area at Fort Ward Park.

Beatley Library Meadow: large established meadow of native, tall warm season grasses - Switch Grass (*Panicum virgatum*) and Indian Grass (*Sorghastrum nutans*) - as well as various wildflowers and open canopy of Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*).

Telegraph and Duke Meadow: a large, 3-acre managed meadow of various grasses, including Broomsedge (*Andropogon virginicus*), numerous wildflowers,

and open drifts of Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) and other trees, including a memorial Swamp Chestnut Oak (*Quercus michauxii*). This site is at the interchange of Duke Street and Telegraph Road.



Timber Branch Park: a diverse woodland glade of native grasses, sedges, ferns, and wildflowers along Timber Branch.



Hammond School Meadow: a gravelly hillside meadow with a diversity of native grasses and wildflowers, including the only known station in the City for the regionally-rare Purple Sneezeweed (*Helenium flexuosum*).



City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 15, 2010

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: ALISA CARREL, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF THE ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: **JULY, 2010 COMMISSION MEETING, ITEM IV-C
UPDATE ON THE OFFICE OF THE ARTS AND ARTS COMMISSION
ACTIVITIES**

Please see Attachment:

OFFICE OF THE ARTS MONTHLY STAFF REPORT – JULY 2010

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STRATEGIC PLANNING

Durant Community Arts Center/Jefferson-Houston Site Redevelopment

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: City Council held a work session with the School Board on June 22. The School Board and Planning & Zoning staff gave the presentation. The current proposal assumes that the Durant Arts Center would gain a small amount of square footage (1,000 – 2,000). A community ad hoc group, consisting of ACA commissioners, Arts Forum members and others, will be formed to assess current and future arts facility needs and advocate for a new arts center that will fill the community need.

Nicholas Colasanto Center

The City's facility management of the Colasanto Center has been assigned to the Office of the Arts. A meeting will be scheduled with the Del Ray Artisans' president and director of facilities to discuss opportunities to strengthen the Colasanto Center's presence as a vital community arts center.

Office of the Arts Business Plan

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: The business plan has been distributed to the Arts Commission and stakeholder group. The final document will be distributed in advance of the July 20 ACA meeting. The Arts Commission will use the Business Plan to develop its own annual work plan.

GRANTS PROGRAM

Alexandria Commission for the Arts Grants Program

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne Colton

Status: All FY 2010 final reports were received. The FY2010 final payments will be mailed by 07-12-10. The Virginia Commission for the Arts awarded the Arts Commission a \$5,000 Local Government Challenge grant, the full amount of the grant request. Grant confirmation letters have gone out to FY11 grants recipients. The first installment will be paid before the end of July.

Virginia Commission for the Arts Services to the Field Grant – FY11

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: The Virginia Commission for the Arts awarded the Alexandria Office of the Arts a \$6,000 Services to the Field grant. This represents a partial award from the original request of \$20,000. The grant will fund new signage (internal and external) for the Torpedo Factory Art Center that will help identify the building as an arts center, attract visitors from the waterfront and King Street and direct visitors to all floors of the center.

PUBLIC ART FUNDING POLICY

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: A draft of the public art funding policy was discussed at the 06/22/10 City Council meeting. Councilman Krupicka spoke on behalf of the efforts to date. Mayor Euille questioned why the public art master plan is not planned to begin for the next several years. Staff answered that it is a question of funding and that we continue to lay the foundation needed to undertake a public art master plan as soon as funding is identified. Meeting with developers and the arts community on the draft policy will continue throughout the summer. The policy will be presented to Council for vote in the fall.

PUBLIC ART PROJECTS

Charles Hamilton Houston Memorial

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: The finalist artists are working on their proposals and maquettes. Due to availability of the artists and Selection Panel members, the artists will present their proposals in September or October. The interview schedule will be confirmed shortly. The artists will also participate in a conference call in July with the architect, a member of the Selection Panel and other City agencies to provide an opportunity for them to ask specific questions regarding the site and the history. A Gala fundraiser is planned for October 16 at the Charles Houston Recreation Center.

Charles Hamilton Houston Memorial Community Outreach

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne Colton

Project 1 Status: Oral History Project: no new information.

Project 2 Status: "A Rose that Grew from Concrete" production based on poetry of late rap artist, Tupac Shakur. There was a low turn-out for the June 21 auditions at the Nannie J. Lee Recreation Center. Partner for the project, Theatre Club, LLC and the Alexandria City Children's Theatre, will continue outreach activities throughout the summer to the recreation centers and will evaluate the project in the fall.

Project 3 Status: Lecture by author Rawn James, Jr. (Charles Houston book)

Important Dates: Monday, September 13, 2010 1pm, "Tea and Talk" with author Rawn James at the Alexandria Black History Museum, and "Alexandria Historical Society's Program" Wednesday, September 22, 7:30pm, Lyceum

Police Memorial

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: The finalist artists are working on their proposals and maquettes. The artists will present their proposals in late September. The interview schedule will be confirmed shortly. The artists will also participate in a conference call in July with the architect, a member of the Selection Panel and other City agencies to provide an opportunity for them to ask specific questions regarding the site and the history.

Freedmen's Cemetery

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: Selection Panel and other participating parties are doing the final review of the RFQ before its distribution.

Captain Rocky Versace Plaza and Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne Colton

Status: The Friends of Rocky Versace will meet to set dates for the second cleaning of the benches, re-gilding of the gold stars, and re-lettering for the Memorial. The work is anticipated to be completed before Veteran's Day. The memorial dedication plaque will be installed within the next month.

King Street Gardens Park Foundation

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne Colton

Status: Brick order has not yet been submitted. Installation is anticipated for early fall. The King Street Gardens Park Foundation presented a June 12 "Music in the Gardens" Al William Quartet performed for 390 people! In addition, Al Williams sold 11 CDs @ \$15 each. An artist, who was part of the Paint Alexandria program, stopped by and painted the Quartet. This artist is interested in painting other concerts in the park. A fall calendar of concerts is in the process of being developed.

Van Alstine Sculpture – Sacandaga Totem

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: The on-site public meeting for construction scheduled for July 12 was postponed. A new July date will be scheduled soon and notice will be posted. We are exploring an opportunity to do a public lecture with the sculptor in the fall.

Nannie J. Lee Memorial Center – Totems at the Lee Center, Temporary Summer Public Art Project.

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne

Status: no new information.

Duron Paint Building on Mt. Vernon Avenue

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: The Four Mile Run Farmers' & Artisans Market opened at the site on June 20. It will run through October 31, Sundays, 8am – 1pm. Public Art Committee co-chair, Matthew Harwood painted the logo on the outdoor concrete floor.

Ward's Recipes

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: A scope of work has been developed by artist Ward Tietz. Pat Miller will lead fundraising efforts.

PUBLIC ART IN URBAN PLANNING

Waterfront Plan

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: Planning & Zoning presented the Concept Plan at a meeting with the arts community on June 21. The audience discussed specific ideas for integrating the arts into the plan and also discussed the concept of the Art Walk. Planning & Zoning will be working on a master plan over the summer which will be finalized in the fall. ACA and the Public Art Committee will need to work with the history groups to develop a plan within the next two months that integrates both art and history.

BRAC

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: Meeting with Army scheduled for July 14. A selection panel is being formed. A list of mural artists (any media) has been developed. Please forward additional recommendations to Carrel.

Edmonson Sisters: The dedication ceremony took place on June 25. The artist was present, as were several great-grandchildren of Emily Edmonson. An article was printed in the Washington Post – Alexandria section. If anyone has a copy, please forward to Carrel.

Del Ray Central – corner of Mt. Vernon and Commonwealth

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: “Three Eggs in Space” by artist Karen Bailey was installed on June 23 and has created a lot of buzz within the Del Ray community.

ALEXANDRIA POET LAUREATE

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne Colton

Status: On July 10, Amy Young presented a new poem “Praise Song for Alexandria” as part of the USA/Alexandria Birthday Celebration. Young has created a work plan for FY 2010, outlining three projects: creation of a Poetry Slam Team, a multicultural writing and translation workshop entitled “Poems and Memories of Home” and a six week writer’s workshop, “Come Write with Me,” September 13 through October 25 on Monday evenings. This workshop series is designed for first time writers. recently created a blog, “Poet Space: Poems and Ponderings” <http://alexandriapoetlaureate.blogspot.com/>.

Important Dates: “Come Write with Me,” September 13 through October 25 at the Durant Community Arts Center, Monday evenings.

EVENTS

Alexandria Film Festival

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: We now have all committee directors in place and are recruiting for committee members. Film Festival Chair and Director of the Sponsorship Committee: Pat Miller; Programming Director: Patti North; Marketing & PR Director: Jessica Quillen; Special Events Director: Richard Fowler; Volunteer Director: Eileen O’Brien. To date, we have received 75 submissions from 15 countries. In comparison, last year we received 158 submissions from 15 countries. The call for submissions is open until August 15. New logo design options were presented by graphic artist Elisa Anderson at the July 8 Film Festival meeting. Various locations throughout Alexandria will serve as Film Festival venues. Arts Commissioners are encouraged to serve as a judge and on committees. Prospective judges should contact Carrel; prospective committee members should contact Miller.

COLLABORATIONS

Arts Marketing Initiative

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel

Status: Work continues on the new web site, ArtsInAlexandria.com. ACVA is working on the new arts calendar portal.

Youth Arts Festival

Team Lead: Cheryl Anne Colton

Status: Planning efforts continue for the August 14, first annual Youth Arts Festival. Throughout the day, two stages will present more than 30 acts, interactive arts activities, and an art exhibit by local youth. Partners for the Festival include the Alexandria Redevelopment Housing Authority, Urban League, Alexandria Commission for the Arts, and the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities. By mid-July, outreach letters will be sent to residents and businesses in the neighborhood along with a letter to Alexandria artists requesting proposals for interactive arts activities.

Important Dates: **Saturday, August 14, 2010, Jefferson Houston Field/Park.**

RESEARCH

Local Arts Index

Team Leads: Alisa Carrel and Cheryl Anne Colton

Colton and Carrel attended a work session at the Americans for the Arts Conference. Statistical information is currently being collected from 100 local arts agencies. The only cost to participating communities in the 18-month research initiative will be staff hours. The resulting study will provide us with a valuable analysis of the level of arts participation within Alexandria and a comparison to other jurisdictions.

Arts and Economic Prosperity IV Study

Team Leads: Alisa Carrel and Cheryl Anne Colton

The City of Alexandria is invited to participate in the Arts and Economic Prosperity IV Study sponsored by Americans for the Arts. The Cultural Alliance of Greater Washington will be the lead agency for the project in the region. The Cultural Alliance is seeking funding to help defray the cost for the study. There will be a fee for Alexandria to participate, however, the amount is not yet determined. In early August, Carrel and Colton will attend a meeting to discuss the planning efforts for the study. The last time this study was conducted was in 2005.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Americans for the Arts Annual Conference

Team Lead: Alisa Carrel and Cheryl Anne Colton

Status: Carrel and Colton attended the Americans for the Arts Annual Conference and Public Art Pre-conference in Baltimore. Sessions attended include: Contracts & Copyrights, Public Art Conservation, Urban Planning and Design, Public Value and Public Sector Support for the Arts, New and Emerging Business Models, New Nonprofit Business Models, Technology's Impact on the Future of Traditional Arts Delivery Systems. Some of the videos are available on this site: <http://convention.artsusa.org>

Misc.

- Colton and Carrel attended a lecture by artist Ray Kaskey at the Cosmopolitan Club. Mr. Kaskey is the artist who created "Justice Delayed, Justice Denied" at the Federal Courthouse. The lecture was organized by former director of the Office of Historic Alexandria, Jean Federico who is on the arts committee for the Cosmopolitan Club.
- Staff summer leave scheduled: Carrel: July 26 – July 30. Colton: August 16 – 27

Submitted by Alisa Carrel and Cheryl Anne Colton

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CALENDAR [July - August 2010]

ACA/Alexandria Arts Forum Picnic

Thursday, July 15, 5pm – 7pm, Fort Ward Park, Shelter 4. Concert by the Alexandria Harmonizers at 7pm at the amphitheatre. Please RSVP to Ul James at: usj.aaf@earthlink.net and let him know what food you will bring.

Public Art Committee Meeting

Wednesday, July 14, 6:30 pm, Durant Community Arts Center

Arts Commission Meeting

Tuesday, July 20, 7pm, Durant Community Arts Center

Film Festival Committee Meeting

Thursday, July 22, 7 pm, Durant Community Arts Center

Irish Festival

August 14, Waterfront Park

Youth Arts Festival

August 14, Jefferson Houston Field/Park

Cambodian Day Festival

August 22, Ben Brenman Park

City Galleries:

City Council, City Manager and Employee Lounge Galleries: Episcopal High School Youth Exhibits through September 30, 2010

Bi-Annual Art in City Hall Juried Exhibition: through September 17, 2010
New show, October 18 through April 15, 2011

Transportation and Environmental Services Department, 4th Floor: Diana Gamerman, paintings, through November 1, 2010

Mayor's Gallery, Room 2331: Interns' Show

Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Central Library: David Livingston, painting, through January 2011 and Brian Kirk, sculpture exhibit, through January 6, 2011

Durant Community Art Center: Nhora Osoria, through August 30, 2010; Art in Hand, Preschoolers, through August 30, 2010; Young At Art, October 4 through January 2011, co-sponsors the Goodwin House Foundation and the Senior Services of Alexandria

Lee Center Gallery, Conference Room #4 and Upstairs: Living Legends of Alexandria 2007-2008 Show, through June 30, 2011
New! **Lee Center, 2nd Floor:** Administrative Offices, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, various artists.

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 15, 2010

TO: PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: PARK PLANNING, DESIGN & CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT TEAM
RON M. KAGAWA, ASLA LEED AP DIVISION CHIEF

SUBJECT: **PARK PLANNING ACTIVITIES UPDATE
OVERVIEW – SELECTED PROJECTS AT A GLANCE, ITEM IV-D.**

I. Park Planning

Potomac Yard & Metro Small Area Plan In Progress

With support of a majority of the Potomac Yard Planning Advisory Group the plan was recommended for approval by Planning Commission on May 3 and approved by the City Council on May 15. The CDD for Potomac Yard North was recommended for approval by Planning Commission on June 1 and approved by the City Council on June 12.

Potomac Yard-Landbay K Final Site Plan & Contract Documents

Kick-off meeting for Final Plan phase held on May 14. Anticipate FSP #1 submittal week of July 19. Staff are meeting weekly with applicant's consultant. Significant staff time will be dedicated to this project review.

Jones Point Park In Progress

Public Meeting with the National Park Service, VDOT and Potomac Crossing Consultants will be held July 13.

Waterfront Small Area Plan In Progress

Plan development is ongoing. Staff have continued to provide comments on the initial concept plan presentation. Public comments continue to be accepted with anticipated fall release of draft plan to city staff and the public.

Beauregard Corridor Small Area Plan In Progress

Staff providing ongoing feedback/comment on framework plan and best practices. Public comments accepted online throughout the spring and summer with an anticipated public meeting in the fall.

Park Master Planning In Progress

As a core service initiative the Park Master Planning Inventory and Standards Projects have been significantly impacted by vacation of one of the Division's Urban Planner II positions. Due to staff capacity, until such time that the position is filled (anticipated as August, 2010) and engaged at full strength, the Park Inventory Project has been placed on hold. Projects (35 total) highlighted in **yellow** on the Park Planning, Design + Capital Development Division Activities Update indicate work plan items directly impacted by vacancy of the Urban Planner II position.

Open Space Planning & Acquisition Ongoing

Closing for the acquisition of Braddock Small Area Plan open space parcel (600 N. Henry Street property) in June, 2010. Tenants will remain in the building for a minimum of 12 months and park planning will be initiated in conjunction with the determination of future plans/discussions related to the remaining portion of the identified open space (Post Office property).

II. Capital Project Implementation

1-7 East Del Ray Contract Documents

Site Grading Plan mylars have been released by TES. Staff are preparing the construction task order for solicitation. Project is tracking for early fall (phase one) construction start.

48 South Early Street-Pedestrian Bridge Construction

Project is substantially complete, including installation of the bridge and trail. Grass seed and erosion and sediment controls have not been approved for release. Plantings according to the approved plan will be installed in the fall.

2009 Athletic Field-Ben Brenman Contract Documents

Mylars and contract documents approved. Contractor approved as susceptible to award. Contract award anticipated week of July 12 with public meeting for construction commencement anticipated thereafter. Delivery date September, 2010.

Playgrounds Contract Documents & Construction

Landover site awarded to Avon Construction. Project is under construction but experiencing minor delays due to unanticipated utility conditions. Playgrounds at Mulligan (\$99,000), Stevenson (\$126,000), Tarleton (\$104,300) Parks are in bid document preparation stage. Solicitations are anticipated in July.

Witter Athletics Contract Documents

Anticipate final documents July 14 with bid documents to VDOT on July 19. CM service proposals due week of July 19.

Four Mile Run Pedestrian-Cyclist Bridge Competition Design

The team of Grimshaw/Arup/Scape were selected by a jury of nationally recognized professionals in March. Kick-off meeting with design team held on May 12. Additional information, including the presentations and information on the firms is available via <http://www.4milerun.org/>

Four Mile Run Demonstration Project Contract Documents

Review of 60 percent construction documents is underway. TES/RPCA comments provided June 15.

Mount Vernon Avenue-Duron Paint Building Site Planning & Design

Staff have met with Code Enforcement and are in process of coordinating with other City departments in context with ongoing implementation of the Arlandria Small Area Plan. Planning Commission recommended approval on June 1 and City Council review of Special Use Permit application approved on June 12. Construction documents will be prepared for submittal in August/September. The park planning process for all four parcels will begin late summer.

Sacandaga Totem Sculpture by John Van Altine-1200 King Street Construction

Geotechnical site review completed. Granite samples and shop drawings underway. Completion anticipated August, 2010. Anticipate significant staff time commitment.

Freedmen's Cemetery Planning & Design

DSUP approval by Planning Commission on May 3 and by City Council on May 15. Final site plan review will begin in July.

June, 2010

Activities Update

PARK PLANNING, DESIGN & CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Project	Description	Team	% Complete	Delivery	Notes
* Items highlighted in yellow indicate projects on-hold due to vacancy of UP-II Position. Anticipate filling in Aug, 2010.					
PARK & OPEN SPACE PLANNING					
Parks Inventory	Core Service Initiative	LD ___	On Hold	Dec. 2011	On Hold due to vacancy of UP-II position.
Needs Analysis & Survey	Core Service Initiative	LD ___	Scoping	Aug-10	Initial scoping in progress. Delivery date is a draft for planning purposes. Ongoing internal staff meetings.
City Master Plans/Open Space/SAPs					
Potomac Yard Small Area Plan	Small Area Plan	BC RMK	90% Planning	May-10	Approval by Planning Commission at May 4th Hearing. Approved by City Council on May 15.
North Potomac Yard CDD	CDD	BC RMK	100% Planning	Jun-10	Approved by Planning Commission on June 3 and City Council on June 12.
Potomac Yard CDD #10 Amendments	CDD	BC	50% Planning	Oct. 2010	Revisions to the existing CDD based on recent approval of North Potomac Yard.
Waterfront Small Area Plan	Small Area Plan	LD LS RMK	75% Planning	Sept. 2010	Interdepartmental and Public comments have been submitted and received by Planning & Zoning. History and Art nights held in June. No other June meetings. Draft master plan delivery anticipated for review by fall.
Beauregard Corridor Small Area Plan	Small Area Plan	LD RMK	90% Planning	Nov. 2010	Staff providing ongoing feedback/comment on framework plan and best practices. No June meetings, but continued public forum established online. Consultant working on refining the document for early fall staff review.
Eisenhower West	Small Area Plan	LD __	100% Planning	Tbd	Staff involvement limited at this time, expecting Fall 2010 project restart.
Housing Master Plan	City Master Plan	LD __	100% Planning	Spring 2011	Project commenced April 2010. Staff involvement limited at this time.
Aquatics Master Plan	Dept.	__ RMK	not active	Tbd	Initial meetings with two consultants held in June. Development of a scope of work for the plan is underway.
Park Master Planning	Dept.	LD__	Ongoing	Tbd	Continued project scoping underway. All Park Planning staff involved.
Arlandria Implementation	Small Area Plan	LD __	80% Planning	Ongoing	June Planning Commission and City Council public hearings and approval of the plan to reuse the Duron Paint store building for community/park use. Ongoing internal staff meetings to address building code, operational and legal issues. Interdepartmental monthly meetings on Arlandria Action Plan Implementation established.
Braddock Small Area Plan-Implementation	Small Area Plan	LD RMK	90% Planning	Ongoing	Closing on the acquisition of the N. Henry Street Open Space. Property Management meetings/discussions held throughout June. Updates to Planning and Zoning and the Community provided regarding immediate and long term plans for the site. Keep building and tenants for 1 year.
Holmes Run Trail Crossing	Interjurisdictional	JL __	Ongoing	Ongoing	TES coordinating VDOT approvals. Construction anticipated Late 2010-Early 2011
Synthetic Fields Update 2009	Strategic Planning Study	BC RMK	On Hold	On Hold	On Hold due to vacancy of UP-II position
Eco-City	City Initiative	JL __	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing interdepartmental coordination.
Wayfinding	City Initiative	LD __	Ongoing	Ongoing	Staff review of final workplan in June 2010. Public and staff comments still accepted with finalization of the plan to occur over the summer.
King Street Retail Implementation	City Initiative	LD __	Ongoing	Ongoing	Staff involvement limited in June.
Open Space Planning & Acquisition	Divisional and City responsibility	LD	Ongoing	Ongoing	Closing on acquisition of Braddock Open Space occurred in June. Continued monthly collaboration with NVCT regarding conservation easements. Ongoing planning and implementation of acquired open space sites.
Fort Ward	Advisory Committee	LD	Ongoing	Priority Jan. 2011	Ongoing public meetings with Advisory Group with presentations from involved departments.
James Bland		__ LD	Ongoing	Tbd	Phase II of the development in for final site plan review. Phase construction underway. No open space related development to date.
Unscheduled Project					

Facility Maintenance Agreement -
ACPS/RPCA/TES/GS

Facility Services Agreement - RPCA/GS

CAPRA Policies/Procedures Manual

Maintenance MOU	BC RB	90% Document	Ongoing	Revisions were made to the document based on May meeting. Next meeting scheduled for early July.
Maintenance MOU	BC RB	90% Document	Ongoing	Revisions to the 2004 agreement were made based on new infrastructure and policies.
Departmental Policy	JB, RMK	Kick-Off Summer, 2010	Priority	Anticipated Completion beginning of FY 2012.

CAPITAL PROJECTS					
Capital Projects-RPCA					
Park Standards	Core Service Initiative	BC JL	5% Planning	Aug-11	On Hold due to vacancy of UP-II position and need to recover workload of vacated position.
ADA Improvements-Ben Brenman Park	Picnic Table(s) and Bench Pads	JL RMK	Priority	Summer 2010	Site and accessible route for 2 picnic tables and analysis for accessible pads adjacent to existing park benches in coordination with Park Operations. Meeting on May 27 on site. 1 picnic table and 6 bench locations to be coordinated with B. Brenman field construction.
1 & 7 E. Del Ray Park	Site development Phase I	JL LD RMK	Priority	June, 2010	Grading Plan approved June 23. City Council approved allocation of \$305,000 for Phase 1 construction. Phase 1 to be solicited in July through the MASC Tier II contract.
48 South Early-St. Park/Pedestrian Bridge	Pedestrian Bridge removal and replacement	JL LD RMK	Priority 95% Construction	July, 2010	Bridge Delivered June 3. Bridge abutments, bridge installation, and bridge trail completed June 15. Substantial completion walk through held on June 21.
48 South Early-St. Park	Site Improvements Phase 2	JL LD	Priority Construction	October, 2010	Contract documents for Plantings, Irrigation, and other Site Improvements in progress. Due to adverse summer weather, landscaping to be installed Fall 2010.
2009 Athletic Field-Ben Brenman	Synthetic turf field and lights for little league field	BC RMK LD	Priority 100% Construction	Sept. 2010	Bid for construction was let and awarded. Final negotiations for schedule etc. pending.
Playground 2010 Stevenson Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	Priority 90% Design	Summer 2010	Construction and Bid Documents completed. MASC Tier II Invitation to Bid issued on June 24 with July 8 closing date. (\$126,000 budget).
Playground 2010 Mulligan Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	Priority 90% Design	Summer 2010	Construction and Bid Documents completed. MASC Tier II Invitation to Bid issued on June 24 with July 8 closing date. (\$99,000 budget).
Playground 2010 Tarleton Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	Priority 90% Design	Summer 2010	Construction and Bid Documents completed. MASC Tier II Invitation to Bid issued on June 24 with July 8 closing date. (\$104,000 budget).
Playground 2010 Landover Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	20% Construction	Summer 2010	Unforeseen drainage pipe conditions encountered May 24 and resolved by TES on June 4 and June 18. Playground Drainage system completed. Completion Date 8/5/10.
Playground 2011 Boothe Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	0% Design/PI	Spring 2012	Begin process/coordination with Tucker School/Community Summer 2010.
Playground 2011 Buchanan Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	30% Design	On Hold	On Hold pending City determination of Jefferson-Houston School redevelopment process, program and schedule. Possible interim improvements Tbd.
Playground 2012 Mt. Jefferson	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	0% Design/PI	Fall 2012	Begin process/coordination with Mt. Jefferson Civic Association/Community October 2011.
Playground 2013 Hoofs Run Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	0% Design/PI	Fall 2013	Begin process/coordination with Rosemont Civic/Community February 2012.
Playground 2013 Ewald Park	Playground renovation	JL LD RMK	0% Design/PI	Fall 2013	Begin community process February 2012.
Montgomery Park Improvements	Site Improvements	JL LD	10% Design	On Hold	Dog park improvements and path On Hold. \$15,000 Developer Contribution unexpended.
Ballcourt Renovations	Resurfacing, cosmetic changes and minor repairs	LS, BC	0% Design/PI	Summer 2010	PO pending. Anticipate commencement of construction in July/August 2010.

Carlyle Tennis Court	Resurfacing and construction remedy work	LS, BC	Purchase Order Complete 0% Construction	July, 2010	Court renovation re-scheduled for July ; June work date was cancelled due to inclement weather.
George Mason Trail-Phase One	Walking trail	JL	Completed	Nov. 2009	Stone Path Completed.
George Mason Trail-Phase Two	Walking trail	JL	On-Hold Design	Tbd	Pending Completion of TES Drainage Improvements (Fall 2010) and Geroge Mason PTA funding.
Lights Replacement-Four Mile Run Athletic Field	Athletic Field light testing	BC	in process	Summer 2010	MASC Tier II task order submitted to Purchasing on June 23.
Four Mile Run Pedestrian-Cycle Bridge Competition	Interjurisdictional client for Ped bridge over Four Mile Run with NVRC, Arlington	RMK __	Ongoing	July, 2010	Presentations by three finalists at GW Masonic Memorial on March 27. Grimshaw/Arup/Scapes recommended by jury as consultant. Kickoff meeting for proposal scope of work May 11.
Four Mile Run Demonstration Project	Interjurisdictional client for Ped bridge over Four Mile Run with NVRC, Arlington	RMK __	35% Construction Documents	Dec. 2010	35% near stream design meeting on April 13. ACG meeting on May 5
Marina-Blue Lights	Security and Boater safety	LS	Completed	Summer 2010	Phase I Blue Light replacement project completed.
Marina-Security Gates	Security and Boater safety	LS	On Hold	On Hold	Pending guidance from CMO.
Marina-Pump Out/Septic	Environmental and Operational project	LS	On Hold	Summer 2010	Significant completion of project achieved May 2010. Punch list to be completed by GS.
Marina-Security Cameras-Phase One	Public safety project	LS	Completed	Feb, 2010	Complete and operational. Assessment of effectiveness in process.
Marina-Security Cameras-Phase Two	Public safety project	LS	Tbd	Tbd	Work scope to be determined based on full staff assessment of phase one.
Marina-Restroom Door Replacement	Security and safety	LS	Completed	April, 2010	Completed and operational.
Marina-Piling Replacement	Public safety project	LS	Scope submitted to T&ES	March, 2011	Coordinating with TES and GS. Awaiting receipt of permits by T&ES.
Marina- Dockmaster Hut	Environmental, Safety	LS	Report Received	Tbd	Report received from contractor. Hut closed, staff relocated to retail space and rented booth. RPCA and GS staff researching long term solutions; recommendation expected September 2010.
Department Communications	Special Project	BC __	Ongoing	Ongoing	Anticipate next issue of Dispatches from the Front in July, 2010.
Sacandaga Totem Sculpture-J. Van Alstine	Special Project with private sculpture donor	RMK	0% Construction	Priority	Go-ahead provided by CMO on May 5. Pre-construction coordination meeting on May 12. Project submittals and shop drawings process underway. Geotechnical analysis in progress. Completion anticipated August, 2010.
CIP "O" Drive	Update Drive	LS __	Ongoing	Ongoing	
Department Procedures/CAPRA Reporting	SMG Project	RMK	Ongoing	First Milestone May 11	SMG First Review on April 13.
Employee Administration Response Analysis	SMG Project	RMK	100% Complete	April, 2010	Analysis due to HR on April 14.
Unscheduled Project					

Intrdepartmental Capital Projects- ACPS					
ACPS-Douglas MacArthur School Field	75x150' Syntetic Turf Field	RMK, BC	100% Construction Documents	Sept, 2010	Revision for stormwater submitted to the City June 30. Field construction still possible for summer 2010.
ACPS-TC Williams High School	Curb Appeal along King Street	RMK __	TB Scoped	Fall, 2010	King Street frontage improvements Landscape Plan development and review in coordination with ACPS. May be combined with EPC initiative.
ACPS-James Polk Elementary School	Site programming and development	__ RMK	FSP #1	Fall, 2010	DSP Modular Construction. FSP#1 Comments returned. Significant project impacts on recreation programs and open space. Pre-construction meeting held with ACPS on May 13
ACPS/RPCA-Patrick Henry Community School	Site programming and development	RMK __	Tbd	Fall, 2013	New School. Project impacts Patrick Henry Recreation Center, recreation programs and open space.
ACPS/RPCA-Jefferson Houston Site	Site programming and development	RMK __	Tbd	Fall, 2014	ACPS multi-use project. Significant project impacts on recreation programs and open space. Capacity/yield study developed by PZ and ACPS consultant.
ACPS-Multi Site DSP for Modular Classrooms	Site Development	__ RMK	Tbd	Spring, 2010	Multi site DSUP. Anticipate Planning Commission & City Council review in September, 2010. Significant project impacts on recreation programs and open space.
ACPS-Elementary School (Cora Kelly)	Site programming and development	__ RMK	Tbd	Fall 2016	New School. Significant project impacts anticipated on Cora Kelly Recreation Center, recreation programs and open space.
ACPS-Hammond Middle School	Synthetic Turf Field, walking track and field lights	BC RMK	TB Scoped Summer, 2010	2011-12	ACPS project with RPCA assistance. ACPS scheduling for Summer, 2011 using Ben Brenman Fields Consultant
Unscheduled Project					
Interdepartmental Capital Projects-GS/TES					
Windmill Hill Park Improvements	Capital Project	LS __ RMK	Pending	Tbd	RPCA staff working with United States Army Corps of Engineers, Sector Baltimore to acquire Section 510 program funding. Letters of intent submitted to CMO for signature. Scope of bulkhead replacement project and consultant cost estimate presented to USACE's.
DASH Headquarters	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	__ RMK	100% Complete	Spring, 2010	Punch List for outstanding warranty items completed. Project will be accepted upon completion of punchlist items.
Eisenhower Avenue Widening	Roadway and Streetscape design	BC RMK	30% Design	Tbd	Project on Hold for rescoping considerations.
Fire Station 203 (Cameron Mills)	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	BC RMK	10% Design	Tbd	Project is in schematic design.
Fire Station 205 (Cameron Street)	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	BC RMK	Pending	Fall 2015	Pending.
Fire Station 207 (Duke Street)	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	BC RMK	Pending	Fall 2018	Pending.
Fire Station 209 (Potomac Yard)	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	BC RMK	100% Construction	Spring 2010	Irrigation final inspection complete. Access keys expected in July. Anticipate project will be turned over to Potomac Yard Development in July.
Fire Station 210 (Eisenhower Avenue)	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	BC RMK	10% Design	Spring 2013	Project is in schematic design. Possible site modifications.
Holmes Run Watershed Sewer Facility	Natural sites review	BC RMK	5% Design	Tbd	Consultant to further investigate options and re-present. T&ES/City Attorney's Office are investigating options concerning NVRPA lease along Cameron Run.
King-Beauregard Improvements	Site landscape and streetscape requirements	__ RMK	60% Design	On Hold	TES lead agency. Street and ROW improvements.
Public Safety Center	Site landscape and DSUP requirements	__ RMK	30% Construction	Fall 2012	Under construction.
Braddock Metro/GW Middle School Trail	Install asphalt trail between Metro School Parking lot and remedy drainage	__ RMK	Scoping	Summer 2010	Site meeting and project scoping ongoing with TES
MASC Tier One Contract	Multiple Award Schedule Contract >\$100K	__ RMK	complete and accessible	Ongoing	RPCA lead. Citywide access. Being used for Playground solicitations.
MASC Tier Two Contract	Multiple Award Schedule Contract <\$100K-3M	__ RMK	complete and accessible	Ongoing	RPCA lead. Citywide access. Contracts completed

INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS					
Public/Private					
WW Bridge - Witter Fields	Athletic Fields	RMK BC	VDOT & FHWA Comments in process	Sep-10	VDOT and TES meetings ongoing. Anticipate final documents July 14 and bid submission to VDOT July 19.
Freedmen's Cemetery	DSUP Approval and document preparation	LD RMK	Priority DSUP Preliminary Plan	Oct. 2010	Final Site Plan to be submitted in July for first round of city review. No activity in June.
Freedmen's Cemetery Sculpture	DSUP Approval and document preparation	LD RMK	Preliminary Plan	Tbd	Alisa Carrel coordinating RFP for artists. Timing based on anticipated construction schedule.
Potomac Yard - Landbay K	Design and Construction of regional park	BC RMK	Priority 50% Design	Spring 2013	Anticipate FSP #1 submission mid July, 2010. Weekly meetings with applicant's consultant. Anticipate significant staff time dedication.
Potomac Yard - Replacement Fields	Phased construction of replacement fields in Potomac Yard	BC RMK	100% Design	Fall 2010	Administrative changes in progress to address Citizen concerns. Construction commencement of first field (phase one) is anticipated late July 2010.
Potomac Yard - Landbay I/J - Finger Parks	Design and Construction of linear park connections	BC RMK	85% Design	2013	FSP #3 submission in June. Comments provided to applicant. Final revisions to be electronic files. Anticipate construction early 2011.
Potomac Yard - Route 1 Improvements	Redesign and Construction of a Major Arterial Road with Dedicated Transit /Medians	BC	60% Design	2011	60% Documents submitted for staff review. Major implications for ROW maintenance.
Potomac Yard - Potomac Avenue	Major Arterial Road with Medians	BC	100% Design	Spring 2011	Construction ongoing. Additional revisions due to coordination with Landbay K expected late summer.
Eisenhower Park - Block 19	Design and Construction of Regional Park Property	BC ___	Ongoing	2015	DSUP Approval granted in 2009. Project On Hold.
Eisenhower Park - ASA	DSUP Approval/Design and Construction of Regional Park Property	BC ___	Ongoing	Tbd	First concept submitted to the City.
Eisenhower Station Square - Blocks 11 and 12	DSUP Approval/ Design and Construction of Urban transportation plaza	BC	10% Design	2013	Plans received Planning Commission and City Council approval in April. Staff anticipates the first Final submission summer/fall 2010.
Eisenhower - South Carlyle Square	Park Construction	BC	90% Construction	Fall 2010	Coordination ongoing to modify grading, planting, flatwork and architectural precast.
Jones Point Park Improvements/Renovation	NPS Park Construction	RMK BC	100% CDs	Oct. 2012	Anticipated construction commencement in October, 2010. Staff met with S. Fairfax Street residents on June 21 regarding developing an Adopt-A-Garden Agreement. Staff responding to multiple Council and COA requests. Public meeting on July 13.
Jones Point Park Use Agreement	Alexandria/NPS project	RMK BC	Onhold pending meeting w/NPS	Oct. 2012	Anticipated construction commencement in October, 2010.
Four Mile Run - ASA	Design and Construction of New Pump Station	RMK BC	10% Design	2012	First concept submitted to the City. Integral coordination with surrounding park land anticipated.
Development Review					
Mount Vernon Commons	DSUP for Housing and Mixed Use Commercial Property	___ RMK	As-Built Review	Apr-10	Project is an obligation completion item for development. As-built review coordination with PZ and TES.
Mount Vernon Village Center	DSUP for Housing and Mixed Use Commercial Property	RMK BC	10% Design	2012	Project impacts adjacent Four Mile Run Park. Anticipate open space coordination with Arlandria Master Plan guidance.

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 15, 2010

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

FROM: JACK BROWAND, DIRECTOR
MARKETING, PUBLIC RELATIONS & SPECIAL EVENTS
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION - ITEM V-E
MARKETING, PUBLIC RELATIONS & SPECIAL EVENTS DIVISION
UPDATE

Park Planning/Construction Updates

Staff will be working on creating information web pages for the large scale planning and construction projects. The long term goal is to facilitate the creation of a single web portal where residents may obtain information from all planning projects in the City. Coordination will be across multiple agencies.

RPCA will maintain a website to provide information regarding the Jones Point Reconstruction Project located at www.alexandriava.gov/34692.

Special Events Calendar – July/August 2010

July 16 - 17

2010 Comcast Outdoor Film Festival

Waterfront Front, 1A Prince St. at dusk

Cosponsor: City of Alexandria and Comcast

- Friday, July 16 - Blind Side
- Saturday, July 17 - Transformers Revenge of the Fallen

August 7

Friendship Firehouse Festival

Friendship Firehouse, 107 S. Alfred St. from 10 am - 2 pm

Sponsor: Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association

For more information, call Bill Kehoe at 703.751.6416 or email KEHOE@aol.com.

August 14

Irish Festival

Waterfront Park, 1A Prince St. from noon - 7 pm

Sponsor: The Ballyshaners, Inc.

For more information, call Pat Troy at 703.615.9453 or email irishknight@cox.net.

August 21 (Rain date August 28)

One Love Community Festival

Braddock Park, 1005 Mt. Vernon Ave. from noon - 8 pm

Sponsor: Operation Hope

For more information, call Lenwood Harris at 202.285.1240 or email uct_lenny@verizon.net.

August 22

Cambodian Day Festival

Ben Brenman Park, 4800 Brenman Park Dr. from noon - 6 pm

Sponsor: Cambodian Community Day Committee

For more information, visit www.cambodiancommunityday.org or call Somony Yann 703.957.9837.

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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 7, 2010

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THRU: ROSE WILLIAMS BOYD, DIRECTOR OF CITIZEN ASSISTANCE *RW*

FROM: JAMES SPENGLER, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION PARKS AND CULTURAL
ACTIVITIES *James Spengler*

SUBJECT: PARK CONSTRUCTION NEAR DUNCAN AVENUE
(COUNCIL REQUEST #10-20E)

This memorandum responds to the request from Mayor Euille regarding the park construction near Duncan Avenue and the emails Council received from several residents. It also provides material based on a neighborhood meeting held on site the evening of June 28.

Summary:

The highlights of this memorandum include the following.

1. The proposed fields were the subject of many community meetings in 2005 through 2008;
2. The field sizes, layout, fencing and related changes are consistent with the Council approved 2008 DSUP; and
3. In discussions with the neighbors on June 28, staff (as described later in this memorandum) is working on changes in the plans to accomplish a number of changes including:
 - (a) adding additional vegetative screening,
 - (b) saving some of the trees slated for removal,
 - (c) moving part of the fence line further away from the houses, and
 - (d) moving the pedestrian entrance to the fields.

Background:

Potomac Yard Park (Landbay K, DSUP 2006-0013) was approved by City Council in June 2008 after three years of significant public process including 17 community meetings, civic association meetings, public hearings at the Park and Recreation

Commission, and meetings with the Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee. The new fields in question on the west side of the re-aligned Route 1 are phase 1 of the Potomac Yard Park Plan. The fields are being constructed by the developer, Potomac Yard Development, LLC, in compliance with the approved plans. These fields are replacing the current fields in front of the ACPS bus garage along Route 1. The developer must complete these fields before the existing location can undergo development.

The preliminary plans submitted in 2008 for approval with Potomac Yard Park include engineered sheets describing and detailing the grading, orientation, location and dimensions of the fields, including fence locations. Additionally, the Potomac Yard Park conditions of approval further describe and detail the materials, timing, dimensions, infrastructure and utilities required for the fields in response to public input (condition #70). The staff report for Potomac Yard Park is available to the public online at the following link:

<http://dockets.alexandriava.gov/fy08/061408ph/di14.pdf>

The 2008 plans for the project can be requested from the Department of Transportation & Environmental Services, Site Plans Division.

Project Background

The Potomac Yard development along Route 1 is part of the Potomac Yard/Potomac Greens Small Area Plan and Coordinated Development District. A concept plan for this area was approved by City Council in 1999. Later, an amendment was approved in 2003 for the Alternative Concept Plan which straightened Route 1 at Monroe Avenue among other revisions. The two final multi-purpose athletic fields were relocated to the newly created land west of Route 1 as a result of the Alternative Concept Plan.

In 2005, Potomac Yard Development, LLC (PYD) initiated the development process for Potomac Yard Park, Landbay K. The following public meetings were held with the community to receive input for the design and programming of the public park.

May 12, 2005	Joint Project Kickoff Meeting with Park and Recreation Commission (PRC) and Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee (PYDAC)
June 15, 2005	Special Public Meeting/Presentation & Forum by Jennifer Guthrie of Gustafson, Guthrie & Nichol PRC/PYDAC joint meeting
October 20, 2005	Site Analysis Presentation to PRC by PYD
November 02, 2005	Site Analysis Presentation – Open Public Meeting
November 15, 2005	Site Analysis Presentation to PYDAC
February 16, 2006	Initial Concept Review with PRC
February 28, 2006	Initial Concept Review with PYDAC by PYD
March 11, 2006	Initial Concept Review – Open Public Meeting
October 21, 2006	Update Presentation to PRC
November 08, 2006	Update Presentation to PYDAC by PYD
May 09, 2007	Update Presentation to PYDAC by PYD
January 9, 2008	Update Presentation to PYDAC by PYD

January 17, 2008	Update Presentation to PRC by PYD
February 20, 2008	PRC letter to City Council supporting Park Plan and identifying upcoming fields presentation and public hearing
February 21, 2008	Fields Presentation and public hearing through PRC by PYD
March 17, 2008	Site Plan Presentation – Open Public Meeting by PYD
March 20, 2008	PRC letter to City Council supporting larger fields
June 3, 2008	Planning Commission Hearing (conditions stated for larger fields) and approval DSUP 2006-0013
June 14, 2008	City Council Hearing (conditions stated for larger fields) and approval DSUP 2006-0013

Since 2008 and per the approved development special use permit (DSUP), PYD has created engineered site plans for construction of the fields. These plans have been submitted to the City and approved through the review process as complying with the conditions of the DSUP. These plans have now been released for construction by the developer. The following dates show the City's review process of the fields' plans:

October 14, 2008	First draft of final plans submitted to the City for compliance review
December 18, 2008	Second draft of final plans submitted to the City
December 4, 2009	Third draft of final plans submitted to the City
February 19, 2010	Fourth draft of final plans submitted to the City
June 22, 2010	Final construction plans released to PYD

The field sizes are similar to those at Ft. Ward, Minnie Howard and Ben Brenman. These larger areas are used in a multiuse format for soccer, lacrosse, rugby and field hockey. Given the lack of field space in Alexandria and the increasing youth population the only alternative is to use fields more intensely. This direction is detailed in the athletic field master plan last discussed with City Council in a work session January 12, 2010. From 2007 to 2009 youth sport registration increased 41% with most of the growth occurring in the younger age groups. Registration numbers were 3,590 in 2007, 4,126 in 2008, and reached 5,045 in 2009. This trend is continuing in 2010.

As part of the preliminary plan development, an inventory of the existing parking infrastructure was conducted in 2007. The available parking was determined to be sufficient to meet the standard parking requirements for active open space uses. Staggered scheduling and designated parking locations for specific user groups are two strategies that Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities proposes to counter the stated parking concerns.

Potomac Yard Development has completed the final plan process and City staff has determined that the plans are in conformance with the preliminary plans and meet the requirements set forth in the conditions of approval. As shown in the original plans, the fence line crosses into the existing public open space along the alley to accommodate the required field sizes and supporting utilities. The closest field corner to the any residential property is a minimum of 60 feet. While some impact to the existing vegetation is unavoidable, the vegetation is required to be saved wherever possible, and the street trees

identified to be removed along the former Route 1 alignment will be replaced with new street trees along the re-aligned Route 1.

Parks staff has been working with the neighborhood to provide information concerning the construction. Upon receiving a request Friday morning (June 25), staff made the final construction plans available for review that Friday afternoon. Additionally, staff agreed to meet with neighbors at 6:00 p.m. Monday evening, June 28, to further discuss the construction.

Meeting Summary

On June 28, a meeting was held at Simpson Park in response to the neighborhood concerns regarding the construction of Potomac Yard Park on the adjacent parcels. Recreation, Parks, & Cultural Activities park planning staff and a representative from the developer, PYD, met with the neighbors to discuss their concerns and the approved plans for the adjacent park development project. After a brief overview of the project and approval process, the discussion was opened for questions. Several residents commented on topics of concern and raised questions about the following: parking, traffic, inappropriate use of the public alley located between the park and the residences, proximity of the fields to the residences, loss of visual/audio buffers from Route 1 and the field, loss of accessible open space, location of the approved fence, maintenance costs for the fields, inappropriate behavior by the players and field users, and proximity of the fields to bathrooms.

After significant discussion, the group generated a number of potential amendments to the plan. While the following list of suggestions does not reflect an agreement between the staff, the developer, and the neighbors, each suggestion will be explored for feasibility as administrative amendments to the approved plan and coordinated through the applicable departments.

- The pedestrian access point north of the Little League field will be changed to a maintenance access point only. Pedestrian access/ field user access will be through the gates between the Simpson dog park and the Little League field to encourage the use of parking along Monroe and in Simpson/YMCA lots and maintain the current character of the alley.
- Relocate the western fence line closer to the north-south field to retain more space outside of the field/fence for the neighborhood.
- Plant a vegetative screen along the fence on the western and northern sides to enhance the appearance of the fence or along the alley to restrict unsanctioned parking.
- Work with the neighborhood to design and plant a vegetative screen between the alley and the field to replace the existing trees.
- Adjust the limits of disturbance to retain two additional trees along the western fence and one additional tree along the north fence if at all possible.
- Work with the neighborhood through the Park and Recreation Commission and the larger community to program the new open park land (an area approximately 100 feet by 200 feet) north of the north-south field.
- Explore parking enforcement options with park users and TES including staggered schedules, specified parking areas for park user groups, gated alleys,

additional bollards, additional shrubbery or possible permit parking for the residents.

- Continue to explore options for additional parking in Simpson Park.
- Continue to work with park user groups and leagues about proper conduct and behavior.

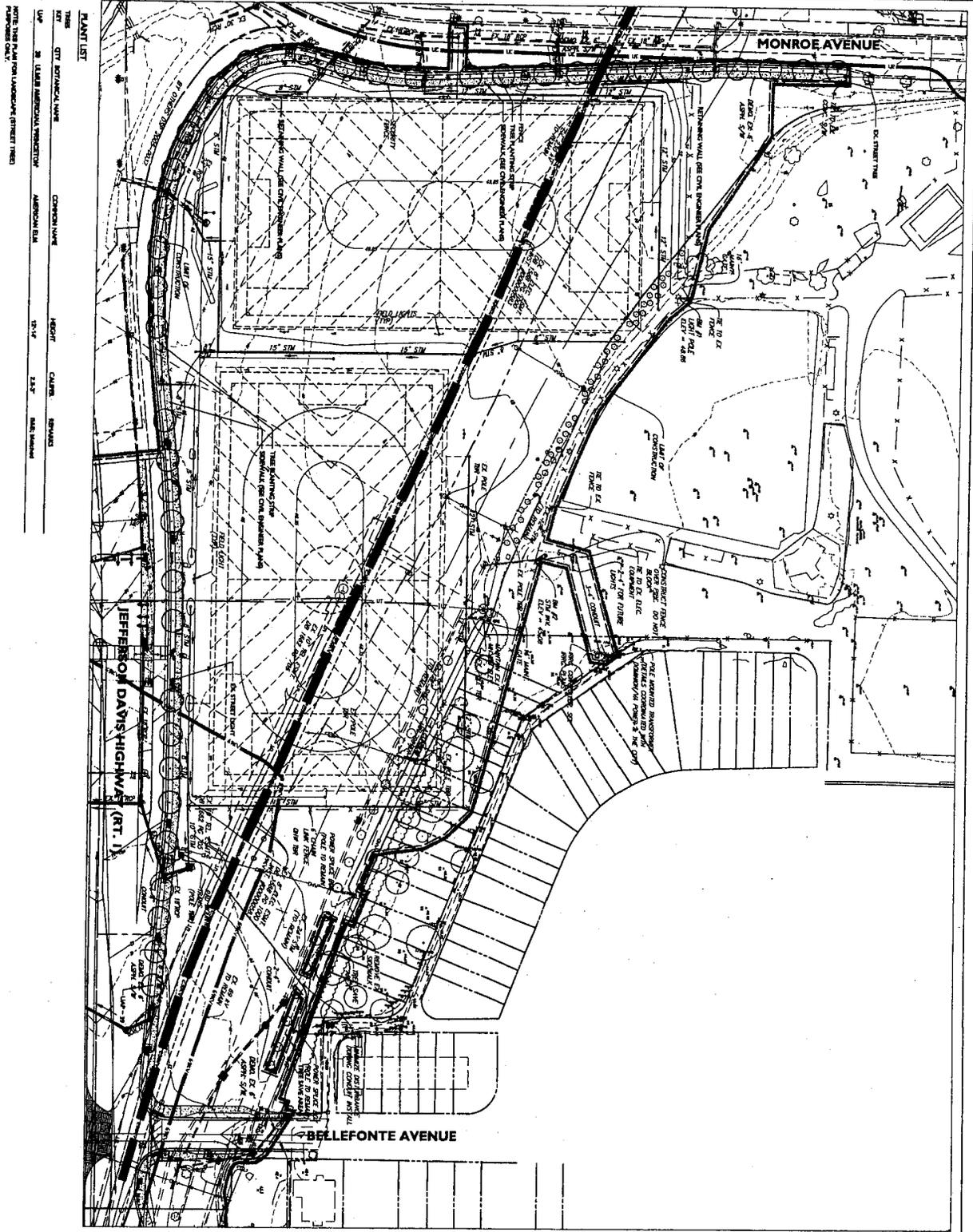
City staff is coordinating between the Departments of Planning & Zoning, Transportation & Environmental Services and Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities to explore the suggestions above and work with the developer on all feasible suggestions. Staff will then provide the neighborhood with a response and update on the suggested amendments, as well as hold another neighborhood meeting. The anticipated timeframe for this update is the third week of July. Additionally, staff will work with a neighborhood representative to provide progress updates and regular construction updates back to the group.

Additional information requested at the meeting is provided below:

- On average, the maintenance expenses for a natural turf field in Alexandria are approximately \$10,000/year. As noted in the meeting, the new fields will replace the existing fields across Route 1 and utilize the existing funding allocated for those fields.
- Alexandria is one of the densest cities in America and often has park amenities located close to residential property. The track and field at T.C. Williams High School is located approximately 30 feet from residential property. The field at Minnie Howard is located approximately 30 feet from residential property. The fields at George Washington are located approximately 75 feet from residential property. The field at Four Mile Run is located approximately 80 feet from residential property. The field at Potomac Yard will be 60 feet from any residential property.

Attachment: (1)

cc: James K. Hartmann, City Manager
Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager



PLANT LIST

TYPE	SYMBOLOGY	COMMON NAME	HEIGHT	CANOPY	SEASON
TR	CT	ROYAL PALM	12'-14'	23-27'	ALL SEASONS
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NOTE: THIS PLAN FOR LANDSCAPE STREET TREES IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

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REFERENCES:
 CITY COMMENTS DATED JANUARY 4, 2010

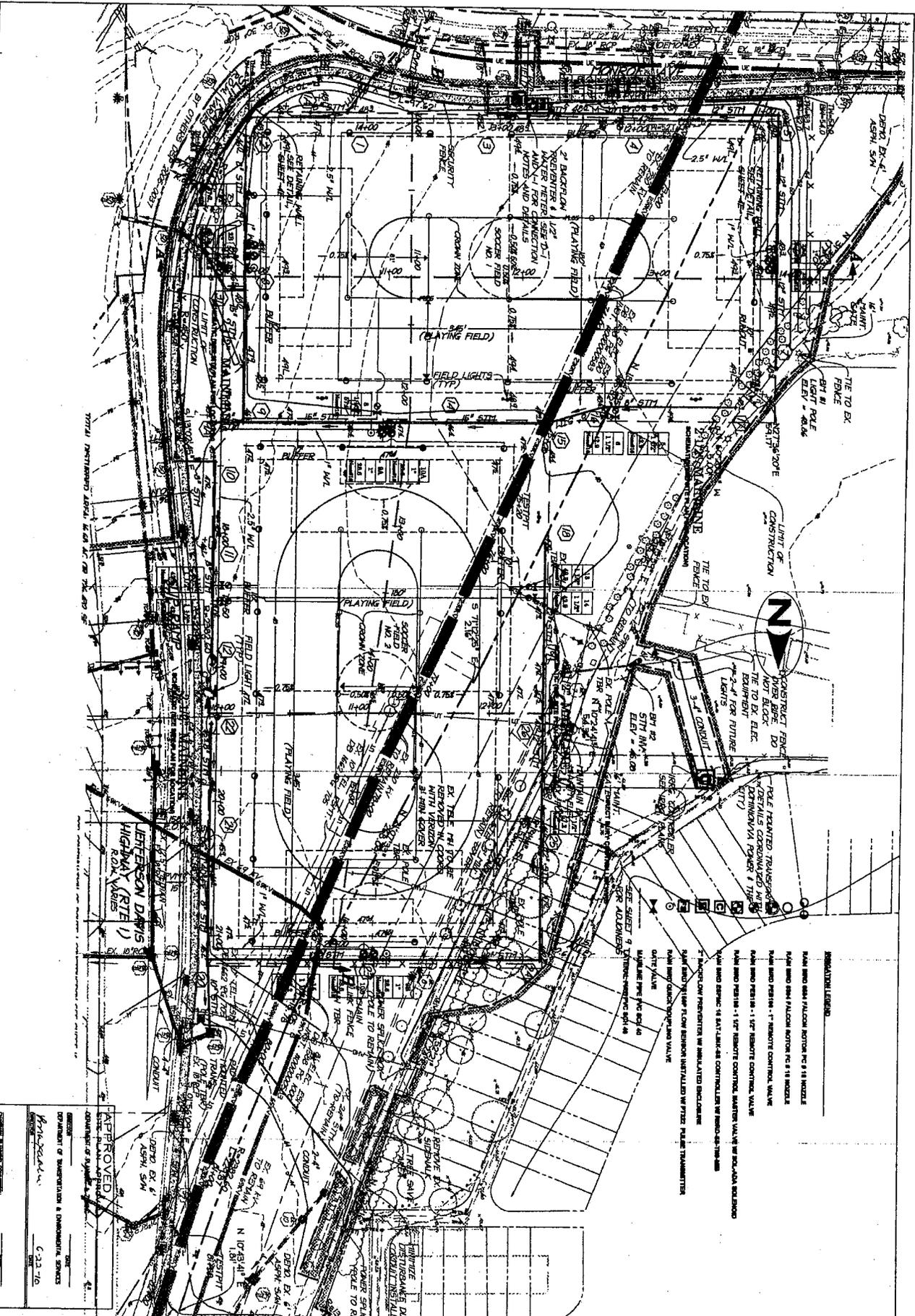
Potomac Yard Infrastructure Plan
US Rt. 1 Temporary Connection
 POTOMAC YARD DEVELOPMENT LLC | ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

LANDSCAPE PLAN



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10-705 #

Re: Fw: COA Contact Us: Park Construction Near Duncan Ave. 

Rose Boyd to: Alicia Hughes

Cc: "James Spengler", Linda Owens, Elaine Scott

06/29/2010 10:42 AM

Will process as an informal Council Request. By copy of this note, I am asking Recreation staff to provide me with a copy of their response within five working days of their receipt of this message. Linda, please log and track.

From: Alicia Hughes
Sent: 06/29/2010 12:07 AM EDT
To: Rose Boyd
Subject: Re: Fw: COA Contact Us: Park Construction Near Duncan Ave.

Rose,

Thanks for the brief. A film clip of this issue was on the Channel 4 News at about 6:45 PM, but they didn't give the meeting location or time. I checked in with a Del Ray contact to determine the location, but the meeting was over by the time I arrived.

Could I please have one copy of a plat showing the finished park project plan in relation to existing recreation facilities and the Duncan Ave. homes and alley for Alicia to look at when she returns on the 30th? Are these soccer fields going to be lighted? Who is paying for the lighting? When would the lights be installed?

I understand that at the meeting, the Duncan Ave. neighbors also brought up some problems they are having coexisting with the current recreation facilities. What were they? Does staff have any suggested remedies?

Sharon Annear
Administrative Aide to
Councilwoman Alicia Hughes

-----Rose Boyd/Alex wrote: -----

To: Faroll Hamer/Alex@ALEX
From: Rose Boyd/Alex
Date: 06/28/2010 07:27PM
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Thanks. The formal memo will be distributed tomorrow. I am copying the other Council members so that they are aware.

From: Faroll Hamer/Alex
To: Fannon.Francis <Francis.Fannon@SunTrust.com>
Cc: Rose Boyd/Alex@Alex
Date: 06/28/2010 05:49 PM
Subject: Fw: COA Contact Us: Park Construction Near Duncan Ave.