

**Fairlington Citizens Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Fairlington Community Center
3308 S Stafford St
September 11, 2019**

Board Members Present

- Guy Land
- Jennifer Davies
- Kent Duffy
- Sara Tuke Carr
- Chris Weathers
- Samuel Wolbert

Board Members Absent

- Ed Hilz
- Lindsay Willman
- Rebecca Sayres

Quorum Present?

- Yes

Residents or other Attendees Present?

- Yes

7:00pm-8:55pm

Special Presentations

- **Alexandria Film Festival - Eileen Bradley, Board Member**
 - 12th annual festival will be held Nov 8-11, 2019
 - Films from all over the world will be featured followed by discussion w/ Directors
 - Screenings will take place across Alexandria and several venues are free, including Waterfront Park, Beatley Jr Central Library, AMC Theatre (cost there.)

- **Alexandria High School Project - Madeeha Jauhar, Public Relations Specialist, DP Consultants**
 - Student enrollment projections will require creative solutions for high school.
 - ACPS looking at location and feasibility of satellite campuses to complement TC Williams, the only high school in Alexandria.
 - TC Williams has a capacity of approximately 3100 students, but enrollment forecast will exceed 5000 high school students in twenty years.
 - ACPS is soliciting community feedback, but will be making decisions in next 6 weeks.

- **395 Express Lanes - Mike McGurk, Customer Experience Manager, Transurban**
 - The 395 Express Lanes will still allow for free travel for HOV 3+ vehicles, but will also be open to all single and double occupancy cars that are willing to pay a toll.

- There is an increase from two to three lanes.
- Dynamic pricing for tolls will be displayed on at least two marquee boards before a driver has an opportunity to join the express lanes . This allows enough time for a driver to decide if they want to pay the advertised toll amount to their destination.
- Tolls will never be less than \$1 and are enforced 24 hours, 7 days per week . An EZ Pass is required for the express lanes, while a special HOV EZ Pass is required to use the HOV 3+ option .
- 395 Express Lanes are expected to be complete during the fall of 2019 .
- Commuters should check [www . expresslanes .com/395](http://www.expresslanes.com/395) for further information and updates.

- **Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Nick DiTaranto, Transportation Design Engineer, Arlington County Department of Environmental Services
Max Miller, Transportation Design Engineer, Arlington County Department of Environmental Services**

- Total funds available to FCA for pedestrian facility upgrades \$50,000-\$75,000. Funds came from a developer agreement in early 2000's.
- 3 areas in S. Fairlington proposed for 4 pedestrian improvements, the estimated costs of which exceed the funds available. FCA and residents will be required to provide guidance to DES-TEO on preferences and/or modifications.
- Locations selected for improvement are a result of resident complaints/concerns.
- Locations studied;
 - Intersection of S. 34th Street and S. 36th Street - vehicles observed taking high speed turns from S. 34th onto S. 36h because of wide turn radius. Proposal to narrow crosswalk along S. 36th street by curb extension. Estimated costs: \$43,000. In addition, there is no crosswalk across S. 34th street to get to bus stop. Proposal to create a two phase pedestrian crossing using existing median. Estimated costs: \$21,000.
 - the crosswalk immediately in front of the FCC (3008 S Stafford). High traffic area (over 900 cars daily). Proposal to narrow crosswalk by creating curb extensions. Estimated costs: \$12,500.
 - Intersection of S. 33rd Street and S. Stafford street. Observation made of poor sightlines from 33rd street onto S. Stafford street. Drivers could not see oncoming traffic. DES implemented parking restrictions on S. Stafford. Existing crosswalk across S. 33rd street is long. Proposal to construct a median nose that will provide a refuge areas. Estimated costs: \$21,000.
- DES-TEO is soliciting feedback from FCA and residents over the next couple of months with the goal of starting construction in spring of 2020.

- **Abingdon Elementary Traffic Update- Aji Robinson, Project Manager, Design and Construction, Arlington Public Schools**

- Study conducted in late spring of 2019 concluded that the new design of the drop-off and pick-up configuration is largely a success. No structural improvements needed.

- Toole Design, who worked with APS during the planning and design phase of the Abingdon project conducted a two phase study to note the arrival and dismissal habits of staff and students.
- Abingdon has a comparatively high rate of multi-modal (not car) transportation to school.
- New configuration of a “split” between school bus and car drop off has increased safety and now serves as a model for other school designs.
- The use of the Fairlington Villages Community Center parking lot for 15 APS employee spots is a good example of effective use of existing facilities and allowed for preservation of green space.
- Lingering issue of parents using S. 30th Road loop as an informal drop-off spot. This can be remedied by continued school communication with parents on where to go.

Call to Order

- The Executive Board meeting was called to order by President Guy Land at approximately 8:55 PM.

Approval of Agenda

- There was unanimous consent to approve the agenda, with adjustments as necessary due to time constraints. The agenda was distributed prior by President Guy Land via email with a hard copy supplied during the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

- There was unanimous consent to approve the minutes of the August meeting, distributed by email prior to the September 11 executive board meeting.

Officer Reports

- President
 - No report
- Vice President
 - No report
- Treasurer
 - No report
- Secretary
 - No report

Unfinished Business

- *All Fairlington Bulletin* Ad manager
 - Deferred due to time. Jennifer Davies will provide update via email for Board to discuss.
- Facebook Administration
 - Deferred due to time.
- Station 7 Closure
 - Deferred due to time.

- Family Movie Night
 - Deferred due to time.
- Shirlington Circle
 - Deferred due to time.
- Shirlington Special GLUP Study
 - Deferred due to time.
- Abingdon Anniversary Trees
 - Deferred due to time. Jennifer Davies spoke to Aji Robinson and will provide an update to the Board via email.
- Quaker Lane and 36th Street Intersection
 - Deferred due to time.

New Business

- Stem Preschool Permit Renewal
 - approved by unanimous consent
- Neighborhood Conservation Sidewalk Project
 - approved by unanimous consent

Adjournment

- President Land motioned to adjourn at 9:01pm, which was unanimously approved

Submitted by Jennifer Davies, in place of Rebecca Sayres, Board Secretary