

CHCA Membership Meeting, Monday, March 20th, 2023 7 pm – 9 pm
Location: ONLINE

Present: Ron Haddox, Reggie Nixon, Marian Gooderham, Jerry Cowden, Ed Miltenberger, Dave Schutz w/Civ Fed Parks & Rec Committee, Chad Devanand, Teresa (?)

7:00 PM **President's Update and the goals for tonight – (Ron Haddox)**

7:05 PM

- **Approval of the Meeting tonight's agenda-approved, and the February meeting minutes.** - approved.
- **Letter from Columbia Heights Civic Association re Dangerous Traffic Concern (Starbucks Penrose Square)(Marian and Ron):** Marian, emailed latest photos of traffic jam to Matt DeFerranti. Pending response once staff has had a chance to review.

7: 10 PM **Treasury Report – next steps? (Ed)-Bump**

7:15 PM **Form-Based Code – Upcoming meeting? (Ed)-Bump**

7:20 PM **Planning Commission Public Facilities Review Committee Update (Marian):** Marian attended use permit update meeting and construction is set to begin in summer 2023. Updates can be found at <https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Commissions-and-Advisory-Groups/Planning-Commission/Public-Facilities-Review-Committee/Projects/Career-Center>

7:25 PM **Updated on correcting our border map – (Sarah)-Bump**

7:30 PM – **Ongoing Tasks**

- **Pickleball concerns at the Walter Reed Community Center Next Steps (Ashley and Chad):** Dave-Likes CHCA letter that was sent to the County Board re pickle ball concerns and solutions. Suggests follow-up with the County Board directly to intervene in the unresolved issues between the neighbors, pickle ball proponents and County Staff. If this facility will not be used as desired by both sides of the issue, it is a waste of \$2M.
- Reggie agrees, staff won't stop the process on their own due to processes in place. Offered to attend the next open meeting to advise of no criteria or meaningful research has actually been conducted on the issue.
- Chad: suggests pressing a response from County.
- Various discussion about putting together a more specific survey or petition to counter the one issued by the County that had no controls on number of submissions or where people were located who participated. Also good idea to ask County Board Candidates on their stance; but some don't want to touch it because it's not county-wide. JD Spain did send inquiry to County Manager about issues and he replied that it is with staff (essentially).
- **Shootings-Teresa:** concerned about recent shootings in the area. Looking for information on whether this type of violence can be prevented. Ron-according to Sarah's meeting with the ACPD, they indicated these incidents were entirely random. Ron recommends a follow-up meeting in May and invite ACPD to attend.
- **Arlington County failing to comply with noise ordinances – (Chad and Armand)-Bump**

- **Communications & engagement contacts for the Historic Preservation Program. Cultural Affairs in partnership with the Arlington Commission for the Arts is offering six \$15,000 grants for community-initiated projects. The application will be open until April 28, seeking participation from various applicant types. – (Ron and Reggie):** Reggie gave overview of the program, application process and restrictions. Historic sites and artistic contributions for consideration.
- **Tree Canopy Equity Program Advisory Committee Update (Sarah)-Bump**
- Ron will update website to note prior months without any meeting minutes are because 1) no meeting was held due to low attendance, or 2) secretary was not in attendance to provide minutes.
- **Adjourned 8:15pm**