

Arlington Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)  
**Wednesday, March 8, 2017**  
Courthouse Plaza, Dogwood & Cherry Rooms  
2100 Clarendon Boulevard

Minutes (**Approved July 13, 2017**)

Present: Pamela Van Hine, Chair; Eric Goldstein, Vice Chair; John Armstrong; Eric Goodman; Jim Feaster; Tom Korn; Christine Ng; David Patton; David Goodman; Alli Henry  
Guests: Carol Burnett; Charlos Egli

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 7:04 PM

#### **Items of Interest and Public Comment:**

P. Van Hine informed the PAC of the upcoming [National Walking Summit](#) taking place in St. Paul MN September 13-15, 2017.

C. Burnett discussed with the PAC her efforts to have sidewalks installed on her street near the East Falls Church metro station. She informed the PAC that it is a heavily used section of road near [Benjamin Banneker Park](#). The PAC informed her of the Neighborhood Complete Streets program and the Neighborhood Conservation program, and provided her with several points of contact for further work.

#### **Invited Speaker, David Goodman, Project Manager, Washington Boulevard, Bike, Pedestrian, Roadway Improvement Project**

D. Goodman provided the PAC with an overview of the presentation made at a recent community meeting on the [Washington Boulevard](#) improvement project. He informed the PAC that this is a proposal for a VDOT road. VDOT is planning on repaving the road and was open to suggestions on changes to how the road is striped. Staff has developed a plan, with the goal of improving safety on the road, and is in the process of obtaining community feedback before finalizing the plan and submitting it to VDOT.

D. Goodman explained that the elements of the plan include marking crosswalks, adding bike lanes, improving bus stops, implementing traffic calming by narrowing the lanes, and removing parking (to accommodate other elements). In response to questions about elements not included in the project, D. Goodman explained that the project is limited in scope to only remarking within the current paved roadway, and does not have the potential to include other attributes.

The PAC asked questions and discussed the effect of removing parking, potential alterations to the plan that staff is considering, and improvements to the pedestrian realm along this street section.

#### **Approval of minutes from January and February PAC meetings**

- J. Feaster moved to approve the minutes of the [January PAC](#) meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously, with amendment. C. Ng moved to approve the minutes of the [February PAC](#) meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously, without amendment.

## WalkArlington Update

A. Henry provided the PAC with an update on WalkArlington's activities. WalkArlington just launched a new [website](#) that is more user friendly, mobile friendly, and better organized. She is currently in the process of moving all of the content over from the old website, but will ensure no information is lost. The website also includes a blog post from the Chair of the PAC, and WalkArlington is always open to guest bloggers. A. Henry also provided the PAC with information about upcoming events, including National Walking Day (April 5<sup>th</sup>) and Art Walks that are being planned for the spring.

## Other Topics

- The PAC briefly discussed the county manager's budget, including the recommended increases to the streetlight program.
- E. Goldstein updated the PAC on the work of the [Joint Facilities Advisory Commission](#). He encouraged members to attend one of the JFAC's upcoming roundtable discussions. [Note: These sessions are now over]
- The PAC briefly discussed the potential improvements coming to [South Park](#), and looked at pictures of the site.

The chair adjourned the meeting at 9:11 P.M. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 7:00 PM in Courthouse Plaza, Dogwood & Cherry Rooms