

AHCA October Minutes

Eads Street Post Office

Dennis Perry, Real Estate Representative for the United States Postal Service, talked about relocation of the retail function of the Eads Street Post Office. The Post Office lease on the current Eads facility will end in February 2011. He will look for approximately 3000 square feet of space near the current location and is open to suggestions from the community.

In response to questions from the audience, he replied:

- The new facility will be in the 22202 zip code area.
- There will be no change in quality of service for carrier operations. Carriers currently start their day at the Shirlington Facility, and, if the Eads delivery operations move there, it will be better for all.
- Post office boxes will move to the new location.
- Parking and metro availability will be factors in selecting the new location. The Post Office wants to maximize revenue from retail operations, so they have an incentive to make it easy for the public to use the new facility.
- There are no plans for the facility as yet. He must notify interested parties before issuing a solicitation. The selection process will then take about six months.
- The Crystal City Post Office will stay where it is.
- It is best to route suggestions and ideas for a new location through Bruce Cameron, but you can contact Mr. Perry directly at dperry2@usps.gov.

Crystal City Business Improvement District

Angie Fox, President of the Crystal City Business Improvement District (BID), said the BID goal is to change how folks think of Crystal City. Ms. Fox recounted numerous steps to change the image of Crystal City including: movies, races, a temporary location for Arena Stage, farmers market, photo exhibit, new lighting, and more. She urged all to go to <http://www.crystalcity.org/home.asp> and sign up for the newsletter.

Candidates for AHCA offices

Mr. Cameron announced the following candidates for office:

President - Mike Dowell (currently first Vice President)

First Vice President - Nick Giacobbe

Second Vice President - Cara Tenuta

Treasurer - Gail Fleming (currently Treasurer)
Corresponding Secretary - Jenny Lawhorn
Business Secretary - Cory Giacobbe (and who will take over writing and editing newsletter as well)

There were no additional nominations from the floor. Voting will take place at the November meeting. Only those who have paid their dues by October 31 will be eligible to vote.

New Business

Mr. Cameron said the county is soliciting AHCA input on a request by the Tortoise and Hare Bar and Grill for a 7-day-a-week entertainment license. A motion was approved to take a favorable position for a 6 month duration license for 7-day-a-week entertainment.

A motion was approved to donate \$250 to the Wakefield Scholarship Fund.

Announcements

Bill Gillin said the county budget shortfall for next year looks to be worse than last year. This will likely lead to service cutbacks and may lead to library cuts. He urged all to join the Save Aurora Hills Library group on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=66598893640> and to get involved.

Gail Fleming reported a balance of \$6900.49 as of the end of September. She reminded all to pay their AHCA dues and noted that donations are most welcome.

Tutors are needed for Oakridge Elementary School. Contact the librarian at malcolm_tronic@apsva.us to express your interest or ask questions.

Volunteers are still needed for the Boo Ha Ha Halloween Event. A sign-up sheet was provided.

The grand re-opening of Nina Park will be October 24 at 2:30 pm.

Other

About 70 people attended the meeting.