

AHCA 10 March 2010 Meeting Minutes.

1. Members present: 45
2. Feb meeting minutes were approved
3. Officer's reports.
 - a. Treasurer's Report \$9132, 138 paid members
 - b. 2nd VP (Cara), 107 letters mailed to County Board in support of the Aurora Hills Senior Program
 - c. Web Master. John Kriese has arranged with our local web host to increase our storage space and our monthly bandwidth allocation, as more folks access the newsletter over the web.
4. Committee reports.
 - a. Sidewalks (Bruce Cameron): Ives Street,--In a week or two, there will be a block meeting to look at the concept plan. Need to get 60% of property owners to support the plan.
 - b. LRPC (Bruce): No news
 - c. NC (Chris): No news
 - d. CCBID (Cheryl) – G40 Art Exhibit opens in Crystal City on Friday. 5K Fridays start April 2nd: \$15 each race or \$50 for all five races. Revolution Bikes has opened a shop on 20th street beside McCormick & Shmicks. Free paper shred event on April 21.
 - e. Library (Bill Gillen): Arlington County Libraries have to reduce expenses by \$1M for 2011, so plan is to close all branches one additional day per week and cut Central Library hours an hour a day and 4 hours on Sunday. Aurora Hills is tentatively slated for a Tuesday closing. In addition the materials budget was cut 10% from \$1.2M and all music acquisition is on hold. Concerns were raised about impact on school age children who use library computers.
 - f. Community Center (Miriam) Community Center Organization Proposal. See newsletter. Miriam explained the concept of the public-private partnership, the need for community support, and the some initial conversations with the county on the ideas.
5. Special orders -- Important business previously designated for consideration at this meeting.
 - a. Hayes Multi-Modal Presentation. Katherine Youngbluth from Arlington County transportation discussed the Hayes Street Multi-Modal Concept at the social and made a presentation during the meeting. Features include: accommodation of Columbia Pike transit terminus, curb nubs to shorten pedestrian street crossings at the 15th street and Hayes intersection, bike shelter and parking, mid block crossing, opening of the unused Metro access on the north side of 14th street, metered tour bus parking, and redone sidewalks. Funding is 80% federal, 20% local.

Brent Spence, AHCA, confirmed that the plan largely conforms to the community input in 2004-2005.

During discussion, concerns were raised about impact to through-car traffic and bus parking location, idling pollution and noise. Concern was also raised about the placement of the bike path to the outside of the bus lane. Ted Saks, who was on the planning committee during Pentagon City design, stated that the wide sidewalks in the block were intended to support bike paths, in order to move the bikes off the roadway.

Katherine said that she would take our input and iterate the design, and resubmit to VDOT for approval. She would like to come back with an updated plan in late Summer or early Fall. Mike Dowell, AHCA president, said AHCA would provide written comments to Katherine.

- b. Census 2010 Presentation (Robert Ruiz). Robert Ruiz discussed the upcoming census and the importance of getting an accurate count. He provided AHCA data for 1990 and 2000. Arlington got \$207 M for census based grants in 2007. Data from the 2010 census will be available for public use later this year.

6. Unfinished business.

- a. 100 Tree Planting Plans Update. This will be scheduled for May.
- b. Post Office Relocation Update: Loading dock permit issue at the Metropolitan has been resolved.
- c. Annual Oakridge Fundraiser Motion (Jim Oliver proposed that AHCA donate \$250 to the Oakridge Spring Fling. The motion passed.

7. New business.

- a. Senior Center Discussion, Senior Center Committee formation Cara Tenuta is committee chair.
- b. 100 year anniversary – Neighborhood Walk. To be discussed next month.
- c. Wakefield Reconstruction – Sue Super discussed the potential to save \$50million by moving the Wakefield construction forward from 2012 into the 2010 bond, it's original plan. Sue and Cathy O'Malley will provide a presentation in the April Meeting, and ask for a motion of support.

8. Calendar

Wednesday, March 10, 7:00pm, [Columbia Pike Transit Meeting: Community Coordination Committee](#)
Thursday, March 11, 7:00pm, [WPCB COMMUNITY MEETING](#)
Tuesday, March 16-18, 8:00am – 5:00pm, [Advanced Sign Up for 2011 Budget Hearings](#)
Tuesday, March 23, 7:00pm, [Arlington County 2011 Budget Public Hearings](#)
Wednesday, March 24, 7:00pm, [Arlington County 2011 Budget Public Hearings](#)
Thursday, March 24, 7:00pm, [Arlington County 2011 Tax Rate\(s\) Public Hearings](#)
Wednesday, April 14, 7:00pm, [AHCA Monthly Meeting](#)

9. Announcements

- a. Membership renewals
- b. Next Month: Arlington Recycling Program Presentation

10. Motion to Adjourn.