



## JUNE NEWSLETTER

### 22202 DEVELOPMENTS IN REVIEW

While many new Amazon developments are coming very soon to 22202, the first two projects to start the County SPRC (Site Plan Review Committee) process are not Amazon properties.

#### Verizon Site, 400 11th Street

The developers of the Altaire Apartment tower are proposing to build a second building just to the south on the Verizon Site kitty corner from Whole Foods. The new building would be a 19-story residential tower with 306 apartments and retail space on the ground floor along 12th Street. The proposal includes enhancements to the surrounding streetscape and development of the "tear drop" land for public space. Community leaders are encouraging the developers to provide an on-site dog space for both buildings. The second SPRC meeting, on June 13, will focus on the use of the tear drop land, open space, and community benefits. The third meeting, on July 18, will focus on transportation and construction issues.

#### Crystal Houses, 1900 S. Eads

The current Crystal Houses complex is two tall towers that sit in a lovely tree-filled depression between Eads & Fern and 18th & 22nd Streets. In 2017, the County approved a site plan for one five-story building with 252 units. The developers are now proposing an expanded plan to build four to six new buildings on the site. Four of the buildings, along Eads, 18th, and 22nd, will be 5 and 11 stories with a total of 798 units. Two additional multifamily buildings along S. Fern may be added to the plan; details TBD. The proposal includes two new parks, one at 20th & Eads and one at 22nd & Fern. Neighborhood concerns include pedestrian and cyclist access through and around the site, the lack of a dog park for residents, parking and traffic changes, the loss of tree canopy, and lack of retail. The second SPRC meeting, on June 24, will focus on building architecture and open space. The third meeting, on July 29, will focus on transportation, construction, and amenities.

AHCA still needs volunteers to cover these and other upcoming projects. See [aurorahighlands.org/development](http://aurorahighlands.org/development) for details. The public is also welcome to attend all [SPRC meetings](#).

### Next Meeting: Wed, June 12

7-9pm, 735 18th St.

*Aurora Highlands Community Center  
Childcare provided!*

#### 7:10 Update on 20th & Ives lot

Scott McPartlin, DPR, will update AHCA on the parcel the County acquired last year. The County does not currently have funding for the planning, design, or construction of this site, but will discuss the upcoming house demolition and installment of a casual use space that could involve basic improvements such as grass restoration and tree plantings.

#### 7:30 Managing our Environmental, Energy, and Recycling Challenges

*What is Arlington doing to respond to climate change? Manage stormwater? Promote green building and energy efficiency?* Demetra McBride, Bureau Chief of Arlington's Office of Sustainability and Environmental Management will discuss Arlington's environmental performance, including topics like stormwater infrastructure, stream restoration, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas reduction.

#### *How can Arlington meet aggressive Sustainability and Zero Waste goals if we stop recycling glass, and trash more plastics, styrofoam, etc?*

Neil Seldman, PhD, director of the Waste to Wealth Initiative at the Institute for Local Self-Reliance (ILSR) explains what's happening in the world of Recycling and how Arlington could turn waste into resources. His Institute is a not-for-profit so communities can hire his organization to do studies on markets.

# Mark Your Calendar

## Vote on June 11!

Primary elections for State Delegate & Commonwealth Attorney are on June 11. Polling places will be open from 6am-7pm. Find more information on the upcoming primaries and candidates:

[vote.arlingtonva.us/elections/](http://vote.arlingtonva.us/elections/)

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# COMMUNITY UPDATES & RESOURCES

## Transportation Updates

The county has closed a gate connecting the Uber/Lyft lots in response to a request to enforce zoning regulations as one more avenue to prod MWAA to be receptive to changes at the lot. Traffic along Eads around the lot at Fort Scott is still dangerous for cars, bicyclists, and pedestrians, so stay alert. Demolition of the Clark Street bridge over 18th will begin June 10; detours are expected for 2-3 weeks.

## Boeing Donated \$10m to Long Bridge Park

The funds will support maintenance and operational expenses and will provide access and programming for active duty military and their families at the Aquatics Center. In recognition, Boeing will have their name added to the fields and 50 meter pool when the center opens in winter 2021.

## Aurora Hills Acoustic Hour

Come to the Aurora Hills Senior Center on **Fri., June 21, 1:30-2:30 p.m.** to enjoy fellowship and music from the '60s and beyond with other 55+ members! Carl Gold will be performing acoustic versions of songs by great singer-songwriters like Bob Dylan and Van Morrison with his guitar and harmonica. Check out other activities: [parks.arlingtonva.us/senior-centers/](http://parks.arlingtonva.us/senior-centers/) or call 703-228-7369.

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