



AURORA HIGHLANDS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Ms. Courtney Badger
Principal Planner, Planning Division
Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 700
Arlington, VA 22201

Re: Use Permit for Interim Outdoor Recreation Facility at 23rd Street South and Crystal Drive

Dear Ms. Badger,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the use permit application for an interim outdoor recreation facility with sand volleyball courts and pickleball courts at the northwest corner of 23rd Street and Crystal Drive. We are glad to see the applicant is activating the site while waiting for market conditions that will allow them to proceed with construction of the approved site plan.

We look forward to learning more about the project as planning progresses, particularly about any potential fees for users of the facility. We also look forward to the security plan for the site, especially given its proximity to Bowlero, a site that continues to raise security concerns for our neighborhood. Additionally, we look forward to information about parking for this site and if that will be included at this location.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Rachel Hicks
President

CC: Eric Cassel, President, Crystal City Civic Association