

Sports Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 28, 2019
Langston-Brown CC, Senior Room
Time: 7:00-9:00 PM

Commission Members Present:

Shirley Brothwell, Chair
George Thompson
John Bacon
Matthey Galan
Dave Maher

Justin Wilt, Vice-Chair
Steve Severn
Drew Murray
Jessica Paska
David Tornquist

Commission Members Absent:

Sherry Kohan
Corey Simples

County/APS Staff:

Greg Anselene, SC Liaison

Deb DeFranco, APS

Guests

Matt de Ferranti Arlington County Board Member
Steve Finn, Parks and Recreation Commission
Caroline Haynes, Parks and Recreation
Commission
Becky Schmitt, Finance Officer, Department of
Parks and Recreation
Angie Lucas, Management & Budget Specialist,
Department of Parks and Recreation

Please note: Agenda items may not be in chronological order.

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve December 2018 and January 2019 meeting minutes as amended, seconded, and approved.

New Business

FY 2020 DPR Proposed Budget Overview

[7pm-7:45pm]

Rebecca Schmitt, DPR Department Finance Officer and Angela Lucas, Management and Budget Specialist presented an overview of the FY 2020 DPR Proposed Budget

- The presentation reviewed the Proposed Expense and Revenue budget
- Proposed DPR budget changes including:
 - Long Bridge Aquatics & Fitness Center- 2 permanent FTEs (half-year funding (\$110,000)
 - Increase to the annual transfer amount for APS pool maintenance and operations (\$110,00)
 - Increased funding in PNR to “keep up” with capital improvements (\$145,000) and increased funding for athletic field maintenance (\$139,000)
- Proposed DPR reductions including:
 - Eliminate one of three team leader positions in Facilities and Construction (1 vacant permanent FTE; \$109,000)
 - Eliminate the Athletic and Facilities Program Specialist Position (1 filled permanent FTE; \$145,000)
 - Reduce the Facility Monitor Program (2.32 temporary FTEs; \$110,000)
 - Reduce level of temporary support across the Community Recreation Division (4.73 vacant temporary FTEs; \$245,000)
 - Recognize efficiencies in supply room and lending program (0.50 filled permanent FTE; \$41,000)
- Additional DPR Reduction options provided to the Board
 - Reduce Nature Center hours and staffing
 - Eliminate the Urban Agriculture Program
 - Eliminate Northern Virginia Conservation Trust (NVCT) Support
- FY20 Proposed Fees
 - FY 18 Fee Reductions: \$925,000
 - 2,343 households that qualified for fee reductions
 - FY 2020 Proposed changes for APS Pools funding
 - Increase to existing transfer (\$110,000)
 - New Pool Use Fees (\$130,000-\$150,000) Applies to all aquatics classes, private swim lessons, the Arlington Aquatic Club and Masters
 - Proposed changes will increase support to APS from \$287,000 to \$527,000-\$547,000
 - DPR Future Budget Considerations
 - Long Bridge Aquatics and Fitness Center and Park Expansion
 - Lubber Run Community Center
 - Public Spaces Master Plan Adoption
 - Integrated Natural Resources Master Plan

- Lee Center
- Next Steps
 - DPR Work Session with County Board- March 12 at 3pm
 - Public Hearings
 - April 2 at 7pm (Budget)
 - April 4 at 7pm (Taxes and Fees)
 - County Board Adopts Budget- April 23

Welcome Mr. Matt de Ferranti

[7:45pm-9:10pm]

- Introductions
 - Mr. De Ferranti and the Sports Commission introductions
- Mr. de Ferranti presented Amazon 101
 - Amazon released their RFP on September 7, 2017 Decision announced 432 days later
 - The process on “What it takes to win?”
 - Project consisted of written proposals, multiple site visits, custom website and videos
 - In Arlington A core team of 6 ARD staff and in Alexandria AEDP dedicated equivalent of 3 full-time employees
 - Site Selection Process
 - Initial project specifics included the potential for up to 50,000 jobs and occupying 8 million square feet
 - Crystal City Sector Plan/pentagon City
 - 2M SF of vacant office space envision the future addition of 21.5M SF of mixed use development
 - North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan
 - More than 10M SF of approved mixed use density
 - Planned new Metro Station
 - Amazon selects NOVA for HQ2 Site after 14-month search
 - \$2.5 Billion Investment by Amazon in Arlington County
 - At least 25,000 new HQ jobs within 12 years
 - New Virginia Tech Innovation Campus to locate in Alexandria
 - \$1 billion investment by VT
 - 1 million square foot mixed use campus
 - New State Investments
 - Transportation, affordable housing, higher education for National Landing and NOVA

Meeting ends 9:10pm

Matt de Ferranti County Board Liaison

Attest:

Greg Anselene

Greg Anselene, Staff Liaison

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