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BCA Calendar - Meetings & Events

*unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at the Arlington Traditional School Multi-purpose room, 855 North Edison Street, at 7:00 p.m.

Tues., June 11 Wilson Boulevard Planning Charrette

Wed., June 12 Annual Meeting

Mon., June 17 7:30 p.m. - Special BCA meeting on Safeway Redevelopment Bluemont Civic Association Post Office Box 5134 Arlington, VA 22205





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Help Decide the Future of Wilson Boulevard Planning Charrette June 11

The Bluemont Civic Association (BCA) is hosting a Planning Charrette on Tuesday, June 11 at 7:00 p.m. in Arlington Traditional School. The charrette will focus on Wilson Boulevard between George Mason Drive and Jefferson Street, and will address commercial revitalization, redevelopment, beautification, traffic calming and pedestrian safety. The goal of the charrette is to help develop a comprehensive, consensus vision of how neighborhood residents would like to see this area evolve, and to identify specific objectives for the neighborhood to attain that vision.

The charrette will include consideration of issues identified by the BCA Wilson Boulevard Committee, as well as the Bluemont Neighborhood Conservation Plan. Through that plan, the Bluemont neighborhood made several general recommendations regarding the Wilson Boulevard commercial district. All Bluemont residents and businesspeople are welcome to attend the charrette. The Committee has also invited several Arlington County staff members and property developer representatives to share their perspective and expertise. It is hoped that the inclusion of a variety of points of view will help residents decide on well-rounded and realistic proposals for the future of Bluemont's "Main Street". *Wilson, continued next column* The charrette will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room of Arlington Traditional School, located at 855 North Edison Street (one block north of Wilson Bulevard, directly west of George Mason Drive). Snacks and drinks will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, contact BCA Wilson Boulevard Committee Chairman Carl Hallinan (CarlHallinan@Comcast.net 812-4797).

At the BCA annual meeting on Wednesday, June 12, the BCA will consider the results of the charrette.

BCA Officers Annual Elections

At the June 12 BCA annual meeting, members will vote in new BCA officers for the coming year. Consistent with the BCA bylaws, a nominating committee has identified candidates for election. The nominating committee submits for consideration by the BCA the following slate of candidates:

President: Carl Hallinan First Vice President: Judy Collins Second Vice President: Talmadge Williams Treasurer: Carol Spicer Secretary: John Huennekens Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee Representative: Margot Marganias-Thomas

Civic Federation Delegates:

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Proposal for Safeway Redevelopment

An Arlington developer has approached Safeway Inc. with a proposal to redevelop their site on Wilson Boulevard. Silverwood Associates has made an offer to buy the property and redevelop it, replacing the store with a new one, which Safeway would then lease. The proposal also includes additional street-front retail, and above-store residential units, and might include the possibility of redevelopment of some of the residential property on the same block.

Safeway has agreed in principle to sell, but the two parties have not yet negotiated a price. Once the price is agreed upon, the two parties will sign a Memorandum of Understanding. A commercial and residential developer, Silverwood Associates has renovated three apartment complexes in Arlington: Marbella (Rhodes Street near Arlington Boulevard), Patrick Henry (Upton Hill) and Quebec (Columbia Pike and Quincy Street). Mark Silverwood will present the conceptual proposal at a special BCA meeting on Monday, June 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room of Arlington Traditional School.

Fall NC Projects Schedule

Below is the schedule for the fall funding round of Neighborhood Conservation (NC) projects. Questions or comments may be directed to the BCA NC Advisory Committee (NCAC) representative Margot Maganias Thomas (magathom@hotmail.com; 527-3838).

August 30, 2002: Projects must be "qualified" under NC program guidelines.

September 30, 2002: BCA Executive Board must send a letter to NC staff, stating which qualified projects will be submitted for consideration in Fall funding round. Letter must describe final scope and include petitions. If any project is not yet qualified, letter must commit to completing final petition by October 31.

October 10, 2002: NCAC Meeting—Draft list of qualified projects is reviewed.

October 23, 2002 (tentative): BCA General Membership meeting—Association must approve projects submitted to NCAC by BCA Executive Board.

October 31, 2002: Staff works on preliminary designs and cost estimates. NCAC Points Committee begins reviewing projects and develops Preliminary Points Table.

November 14, 2002: NCAC Meeting—Updated Qualified Projects Table presented with Preliminary Points Committee Table.

November 21, 2002: NCAC Points Committee appeal request deadline.

December 12, 2002: NCAC Meeting—Fall funding session, session booklet distributed with final Qualified Project Table and final Points Committee Table. NCAC votes on project funding.

January - February, 2003: County Board approval of qualified projects.

March, 2003: Design work can begin on approved projects.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

At the June 12 Annual General Membership meeting, members will be asked to consider proposed amendments to the BCA bylaws. These amendments will not be voted at the June 12 meeting, but will be voted on at the next general membership meeting. Among the proposed changes is language to:

- clarify the types of memberships;
- clarify how many votes per household;
- clarify the dues amount;
- clarify the duties of the officers;
- empower officers to act in the interest of the association on urgent issues;
- allow "virtual" Executive Board votes (by phone or e-mail);
- clarify the types of votes that require a simple majority and those requiring a two-thirds majority.