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#### NEXT MEETING Wed., October 26, at Key Escuela and Via Zoom

The October General Membership meeting features a presentation by Joshua Serck, the County's landscape architect for the changes to Bluemont Park.

## County Considering Significant Changes in Zoning to Allow Missing Middle Housing

County staff has proposed amending zoning rules to allow townhomes and buildings with 2 to 8 units in all areas currently limited to single-household development. These structures, which are sometimes referred to as "missing middle" housing, would be held to the same design standards as required for single household development, such as height, setbacks, and lot coverage. Developers would have to provide one half parking space per unit. Townhomes would be limited to groups of three. Developments would be by right, which means no site plan approval would be needed.

While new single-family homes in these areas have a minimum tree canopy requirement of 20%, the missing middle structures would have required minimums of 10% to 15%. These minimums are set by state law. Furthermore, because the minimums are determined by what is allowed in an area, rather than by what is built, the zoning amendments would lower the tree canopy minimum for new singlefamily homes in an area as well. County staff is trying to develop a way to avoid lowering tree canopy minimums.

Staff states that the objectives of the proposal are to provide, "More housing options for more people at more income levels and more stages of life distributed throughout Arlington." and "More equitable housing options." ("Missing Middle Housing Study: Expanding Housing Choice Phase 2 Analysis and Draft Framework," May 2, 2022, p. 4). Opponents of the proposal say it will encourage the tearing down of smaller houses and their replacement with large structures with a resulting increase in impermeable surfaces and a loss of tree canopy. They also fear the proposal will lead to problems with parking and traffic.

The County Board has asked the staff both to develop specific language for zoning amendments to effectuate this proposal and to develop an alternative proposal that would only allow structures with less than 8 units. Different proposals allow different numbers of units, such as 4 or 6. The maximum number of units allowed might depend on lot size.

## Zoning Changes (cont'd)

The County Board also asked staff to develop proposals for different parking requirements. The number of parking spaces required for missing middle structures might vary depending on area characteristics.

Representatives of a number of Civic Associations, including the BCA have discussed these proposals with County Board members. The timing of a final decision on these changes is uncertain, but it could be as soon as November.

In its September meeting, the BCA membership passed the following resolution concerning the staff proposal:

The Bluemont Civic Association opposes the Phase 2 recommendations of the Missing Middle Housing Study and their implementation. The Association bases its opposition on the recommendations' disregard of neighborhood conditions and constraints, and the likelihood that the recommendations will reduce tree canopy, increase stormwater runoff, and increase density. Those effects will harm the quality of life of Bluemont residents.

The proposed solution from the County staff does not address the stated issues and introduces more problems than it solves. Moreover, the policy treats all areas now zoned for single-family houses in the same way. Any change in zoning requirements should recognize the different conditions in different areas.



## New Tennis Complex planned for Upper Bluemont Park

The County plans to upgrade tennis courts in Bluemont Park, at the corner of Wilson Boulevard and North Manchester Street.

Two conceptual plans have been developed for the project. Both have 9 tennis courts, as the current facility does. One court may be striped for pickleball. The new facility will cut into the hill on the



west side of the courts, and the maintenance path on that side will be removed. There will be stairs up the hill and possibly a viewing area for the tennis courts.

One conceptual plan leaves the tennis courts in their current configuration. The second plan removes the two tennis courts closest to the creek, which are in the Resource Protection Area. That area will be reforested. Two new tennis courts will be put on the Wilson Boulevard side of the existing courts. To accommodate those courts, the parking lot will shrink. The center strip of the parking lot, which has a few small trees, will be eliminated. Parallel parking will be added on Manchester Street, with a net loss of one space. The elimination of the path and shrinking of the parking lot will cause a net reduction in impermeable surfaces.

The second plan will necessitate the removal of 11 trees. Because of the reforestation of the area where the two courts were removed, there will likely be a net gain in trees.

The county will also replace the current shelter, which has the restrooms and storage space. The replacement, like the current building, will have year-around restrooms and a ranger station. In addition, the adjacent part of the Four Mile Run Bike Trail will be reconfigured to eliminate a pinch point. More information on the project is found here.

Joshua Serck, RLA, the County's landscape architect for the project, has agreed to come to our meeting on October 26 to discuss the project.

#### When and Where Do We Meet?



Bluemont residents, property owners and businesses are encouraged to join our monthly meetings. Generally, BCA meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month (Executive Board at 7:00 pm and General Membership at 7:30 pm). From September through June we meet in the

library of Key Escuela Elementary 855 N. Edison Street. Entry to the school parking lot is from N. George Mason Drive or N. Edison Street. We will try to have all meetings available on Zoom, and will send a link out to the meetings to our email list, and post the link on **our website** and the meeting announcement on **our Facebook page**.

All members are welcome to attend the Executive Board meeting. We may move meetings to other dates and locations to avoid holidays and other conflicts. See the current schedule of meetings below. Meeting date changes/ cancellations are posted to **our website**, **our Facebook page**, Next Door, and our email list, which you can join by contacting **exec@bluemontcivic.org**.



## Join Our Email List and Help Others Join It, Too

We send periodic e-mails with updates on BCA activities and news about our neighborhood. If you would like to receive these emails, **send a note to exec@bluemontcivic.org**, or give us your email address at a meeting or bell-ringing.

If someone new has moved in near you, you could help us by sending their email address to **exec@bluemontcivic. org.** We will send them an email welcoming them to the neighborhood, giving them a link to the County's information for new residents, and describing our activities and giving them a chance to join this email list.



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## **Reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd.**

Starting September 6, Arlington County began reconfiguring of Wilson Blvd. between N. Glebe Road and N. Edison Street. The final Concept Design Plan for this reconfiguration is shown starting on page 5 of the **"Final Concept Feedback Summary."** 

You can see a larger version of the concept design drawings here.

Highlights include:

- Roadway reconfiguration to reduce through traffic lanes to provide one vehicle travel lane in each direction (east and west) with a center turn lane to facilitate turn movements for people driving and help manage vehicle speeds.
- Six-foot wide bike lanes in both directions (east and west) between N. George Mason Drive and N. Wakefield Street to improve access for people biking and provide buffer space between people driving and people walking on the narrow sidewalks.
- Buffered and painted bike lane for east-bound people biking between N. Wakefield Street and N. Glebe Road
- Green paint markings for bike lanes added to intersections with high-potential for conflict between bikes and vehicles.
- "Bike box" waiting area added to the N. Glebe Road intersection in front of where vehicles stop for traffic lights in order to make it easier for people biking and driving to see each other at intersections and make it easier for all traffic to turn or travel through the intersection.
- Dedicated turn lanes for west-bound drivers turning south onto N. Wakefield Street and N. Edison Street.
- Between N. Woodrow Street to N. Wakefield Street heading east, two east-bound travel lanes through the intersection to maintain signal operation.
- Between N. Buchanan Street to N. George Mason Drive heading east, arrows indicating the need to merge because the second east-bound thru-lane is ending.
- An extended east-bound turn lane for people driving east on Wilson Boulevard and turning north onto N. George Mason Drive.

• A left turn lane on Wilson between N. George Mason and N. Edison Street to allow people going west on Wilson better access to the gas station and other businesses on the south side of Wilson just west of the access point to the Bluemont Junction Trail.

• Some bus stop consolidation is being considered on Wilson, but that was not far enough along in the planning stage to be included in the repaving.

The reconfiguration is part of the Resurfacing for Complete Streets program. More information about that program, and the reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd is on the **County's program web page**.

At our March 2022 General Membership meeting, BCA members discussed the County announcement that it planned to start public engagement on "existing" conditions" on Wilson between N. Wakefield and N. George Mason as part of possible reconfiguration of Wilson. In April, BCA publicized the County's two-week on-line survey, encouraging Bluemont residents to provide their views. (BCA shares such information via our Facebook page, Next Door, at our monthly General Membership and Executive Board meetings, and our email list, which any Bluemont resident, business or property owner can join by contacting **exec**@ bluemontcivic.org.)

The County's Department of Environmental Services (DES) Transportation Division agreed with BCA's request to include their observations from the first six months after the October 2021 reconfiguration of Wilson between N. George Mason and N. Edison Street as input for the October 2022 reconfiguration of Wilson. The DES

## **Reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd. (cont'd)**

Design Team Supervisor and Assistant Bureau Chief accepted BCA's invitation to our April General Membership meeting to discuss effects of the 2021 reconfiguration of Wilson, and their plans for public engagement for the 2022 reconfiguration of Wilson. Bluemont residents and civic association members gave DES input, both in raising concerns/objections and welcoming/praising the reconfiguration. **The minutes for the April 2022 General Membership meeting** describe this discussion.

DES held an "Open House" on June 22 at Central Library for the public to see proposed plans for Wilson Blvd and other four street segments being reconfigured, ask questions of County planners, and give feedback. DES said this input, along with other available data, such as existing plan guidance and crash data, would help County staff refine the final concepts for Wilson Blvd. BCA publicized the Open House, encouraging Bluemont residents to participate. Several BCA Board members attended and reported to the June BCA General Membership meeting. DES held a two-week survey that closed on July 6 to collect community feedback on the draft "Concept Design Plans" for Wilson Blvd and the other four street segments. BCA publicized the survey, encouraging Bluemont residents to weigh in. BCA requested the County provide more time for public input before deciding its plans for Wilson Blvd. DES did not agree but said community members could send input to the County after its survey closed, which BCA encouraged Bluemont residents to do. DES reports that while they were not able to act on every piece of feedback they received, they did review and test many of the ideas shared for feasibility, as they worked on adjustments in the concept design. Those items are included in the "Final Concept Feedback Summary."

In August, the County announced its final plan for Wilson Blvd. BCA asked the County to keep us informed of progress of the project, and in particular any work that would bring significant changes to traffic flow, such as temporary street closings. We have been sharing that information with Bluemont residents and BCA members via our email list, Facebook, Next Door, and our monthly meetings. Given concerns expressed by several Bluemont residents about whether reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd in 2022 and 2021 increased risks, BCA asked DES for an analysis of accident data for the stretch of Wilson Boulevard affected by the 2021 and 2022 re-striping projects. BCA looks forward to continuing to share information about these projects with the Bluemont community, and hearing what you think.

## Plans to Widen the W&OD Trail

NOVA Parks is planning to widen the W&OD bike trail in Arlington. The widening may be similar to a recent project on the W&OD in Falls Church that includes separated trails for walkers and cyclists. Some contend that having separated trails increases safety. The plan has drawn criticism because it would be costly, add significant impermeable surfaces near the Four Mile Run, and eliminate large areas of vegetation. Critics contend that the benefits of the project are not worth its cost.

NOVA Parks is a regional parks authority that includes Arlington and five other jurisdictions. Among its 34 parks is the W&OD Trail, which starts in Arlington and extends for 45 miles to Purcellville. Five miles of the trail are in Arlington.

BCA asked NOVA Parks to send a representative to a BCA meeting to discuss plans for widening the trail, but they declined because design work on the project would not begin until next year. They promised to seek public input on the project at a later time. **Nova Parks' strategic plan** calls for completing the project design by 2024.

## **Stormwater and Flood Mitigation**

In our April 2022 edition we reported that BCA members supported the Arlington County Civic Federation in the development of a new Stormwater/Flood Mitigation Implementation resolution. The resolution implored the County to move forward with implementation of stormwater-management and drainage improvement projects. The Lubber Run Watershed Group, which includes BCA, followed up with a letter to the County Board echoing requests to move forward with stormwater projects. We are happy to report that the 2023-2032 Capital Improvement Plan, which was approved in July, included an order of magnitude increase in stormwater funding (\$331M) for Arlington County. Two Bluemont-focused funding line items are listed below.

Bluemor	nt-focuse	ed Excer	pt from	the Arl	ington Co	ounty 20	23-2032	Capital Ir	nproveme	ent Plan (\$	)
Projects (by CIP Program and Category)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	Total
Lubber Run Watershed Capacity Improvements	1,500	1,500	1,905	155	4,920	4,855	4,570	11,930	10,640	7,480	49,455
Ballston Pond Retrofit	3,190										

Bluemont Stormwater Funding, 2023-2032 CIP

Lubber Run watershed, which runs through the eastern half of Bluemont, received \$49.455 million in funding. The ramp up to significant funding begins in FY 2027 with larger-scale funding occurring in FY 2030. The Department of Environmental Services envisions several projects, with the most significant being a potential stormwater detention facility, which could be located in the open grassy field area of Westlawn Park.

As mentioned in the April newsletter, the Ballston Beaver Project is in process. Per the project page, the pond project has made great progress with sediment removal completed, invasive plant treatment, and concrete block (forebay) completion. Installation of wetland plants is still going on. The County anticipates it will have \$3M in additional costs for the pond project in FY2023.

Come Ring Our Bell!

The Bluemont Civic Association rings the bell in Constitution Gardens, the corner of Wilson Boulevard and George Mason Drive, at noon on every national holiday. Everyone, kid or adult, gets to ring the bell. It's fun for the entire family! The next bell ringing is Veteran's Day November 11.

Mark your calendars for Veterans Day (Nov 11), Thanksgiving (Nov 24), Christmas (Dec 26), New Year's (Jan 2), Martin Luther King Day (Jan 16), Presidents Day (Feb 20), Memorial Day (May 29), and all the federal holidays!

## **Development Project at 4600 Fairfax Drive**

Our December 2021 General Membership meeting included a discussion with Hoffman Development and Associates about its preliminary plans for the 4600 N. Fairfax property, which is currently the location of the Holiday Inn next to the entrance to I-66 and an office building. At that time, Hoffman Development said its plans were highly preliminary and subject to change.

In late July 2022, The County announced the plans for the project. The developer has proposed a 7-story building with 477 apartments and a 5-story 'townhome-style' building with 29 units. The proposal includes building two roads through the site: one connecting N. Wakefield and N. Woodrow Street, and one from N. Wakefield to N. Fairfax Drive. The project site is next to aging underground infrastructure carrying Lubber Run. Two single family homes would be removed to create space for a landscaping buffer. Surface and structured parking would be 0.87 spaces per unit. Detailed information, including plans and how you can engage in upcoming public meetings about the project on the **County's project page**.

At the December meeting, BCA members and other Bluemont residents raised questions with the developer. Due to time constraints not all questions could be answered. The developer requested that we send questions offline. BCA provided those questions but did not receive a response. More recently, BCA has reached out to nearby homeowners to gather for a list of questions that were provided to the developer on September 12th.

The developer informed BCA "We are actively looking at our project in response to both community and staff comments following the online engagement session earlier in the summer. We expect to have some potential design changes to share soon, and those changes would impact our responses to many of your questions. We plan to respond to your questions in writing once we have settled on a path forward." BCA requested a timeline on a response but received no answer as of September 25. BCA hopes that the developer provides clear and candid response responses well in advance of the Site Plan Review Committee (SPRC) meeting scheduled for October 24th. BCA needs time to review and establish BCA recommendations for the review.

BCA's questions deal with a number of subjects, as shown in Table 2. All these subjects will be considered as we prepare a comprehensive position on this important project. Category/Count of Questions Provided to Hoffman Development and Associates

Question Categories	# of Questions
Affordable Housing	2
Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety	2
Green Space	1
Property Rights	2
Traffic and Parking	14
Construction Details	5
Development Timeline	3
Incentives Received	1
Lubber Run Impacts	7
Ownership Options	2
Retail Additions	1
Trash Management	1
Utility Fund Contribution	1
Total	42

## **BCA Meeting Dates**

Bluemont Civic Association members meet at 7:30 PM in the library of the Key School, 855 N. Edison St. Before every membership meeting, there is an Executive Board meeting at 7 PM to which all are invited. The planned dates for our meetings are

- October 26, 2022
- November 16, 2022
- December 14, 2022
- January 25, 2023
- February 22, 2023
- March 22, 2023
- April 26, 2023
- May 24, 2023
- June 14, 2023 (unconfirmed)

For additional information see meeting minutes at https://www.bluemontcivic.org/meetingminutes.php, and get monthly updates by contacting exec@bluemontcivic.org

#### **April 2022**

County Department of Environmental Services (DES) Design Team Supervisor Dan Nabors and Assistant Bureau Chief Kevin Casadei discussed DES' analysis of the effects of the October 2021 reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd between N. Frederick St and N. George Mason Drive, and planned public engagement for reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd between N. Vermont St and N. George Mason Drive.

Members voted to approve County plans for the N. Edison Street Connector Trail, and designating Safety Improvements to N. Carlin Springs Road Between N. Edison Street and Kensington Street as BCA's second priority Neighborhood Conservation Project, after N. Lexington and Wilson Blvd. The President discussed the response from the County Manager to the joint letter from the Arlington Forest and Bluemont Civic Associations about safety improvements to N. Carlin Springs Road.

The First Vice President announced that the **Missing Middle Housing Study** Phase 2 recommendations would soon be made public with a proposed public comment period of 30 days from the release of the recommendations. Neighboring civic associations were finalizing a letter requesting the public comment period be extended to allow civic associations to engage, because County Board members and County staff had encouraged civic associations not to take positions on the Missing Middle Housing Study until its recommendations were released. Members voted to ratify the decision by the Executive Board that the BCA sign the letter.

The President shared the report of Project Manager Rene Harris on upcoming improvements to the intersection of N. Kensington Street and the Bluemont Junction Trail. The First Vice President reminded everyone that the comment period to submit views to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority concerning the merits of a western entrance to the Ballston-MU Metro station would end on May 22, 2022.

#### May 2022

The First Vice President reported on the Phase 2 recommendations of the Missing Middle Housing Study, and that BCA put in letters of support for County grant requests to both NVTA and NVTC for grants to fund the west entrance of the Ballston Metro. The President reported the County had completed its first round of public engagement on use of athletic courts for pickleball, and the next round of public engagement would include locations for a permanent pickleball court, the criteria to identify existing athletic courts that are candidates for permanent pickleball courts, and identifying an "amenity" to convert to pickleball. The May 25 County announcement was here.

The rest of the meeting was a Q&A with County Board Member Takis Karantonis, who addressed questions BCA had gathered from its members and Bluemont residents.

#### June 2022

BCA members voted in our annual elections for BCA offices and Arlington County Civic Federation delegates. The volunteers elected are listed at the end of this newsletter. They will serve **until the next annual elections, scheduled for June 2023.** 

BCA's **Missing Middle Housing Study** committee reported on the County's Missing Middle Housing study, and on the Phase 2 recommendations from that study. The committee's presentation is on the link labelled "Missing Middle Presentation" on the BCA webpage for the **BCA Missing Middle committee**. Following a lengthy discussion expressing a range of opinions, members voted to advertise a draft resolution for a vote at the next General Membership meeting on September 28, 2022. (See other article in the newsletter).

BCA's representative for the **Ballston Macy's site** redevelopment said the July 2022 site plan review committee meeting had been postponed while the applicant and County staff considered design challenges posed on Glebe Road, and that he had reminded County staff of the importance of pedestrian safety for people crossing Glebe Road at 7th Street N given the planned changes to that intersection and pedestrian crossing. BCA Board members reported on the walk-thru with County Board members and Congressman Beyer to discuss **upcoming upgrades and repair to the "Bluemont Junction section of the W&OD Trail,"** with funding obtained by Congressman Beyer.

The head of the Lubber Run Watershed Group of civic associations along Lubber Run reported that the next 10-year Capital Improvement (CIP) program includes a very significant increase in stormwater funding to \$331 million. He also reported on the opportunity for neighbors to weigh in via a County survey about the County's plan to fund stormwater improvements by a stormwater utility fee based on the amount of land covered by impermeable surfaces. The Alternative NCAC Representative reported that the next 10-year Capital Improvement Plan includes funding for a survey of conditions along N. Carlin Springs Road in 2024, and the survey may look like the recent survey activities of S. George Mason Drive. The NCAC Representative reported on the community-driven project for pedestrian safety, sidewalk improvement and beautification improvements to the intersection of 6th Street, N and N. Edison Street. Plans include a curb bumpout, repainting, possibly dealing with utility poles, and better managing the flow of storm water under the site. No date has been set for this construction. He also reported on BCA's first priority NCAC project, safety improvements to the intersection of Wilson Blvd and N. Lexington Street.

#### July 2022

(Executive Board Meeting only)

Treasurer David Smith volunteered to represent the civic association at site plan review meetings for the 4600 N. Fairfax **project** (the Holiday Inn site). One site plan review committee meeting had been announced for September 19. (It has since been postponed to October 24.) There may be a second meeting. Now that plans for the project were known, Board members discussed implications for Bluemont including from the proposal to build a road through the site connecting N. Wakefield and N. Woodrow Street, and a road through the site from N. Wakefield to N. Fairfax Drive, and the implications to stormwater flows from construction right next to aging underground infrastructure carrying Lubber Run. Board members agreed to distribute a flier to homes along N. Wakefield, N. Woodrow and N. Abingdon Streets in order to encourage residents to engage in the Site Plan review process, and let BCA know what they think.

The President reported presidents of 15 civic associations had met with County Board members Matt de Ferranti and Libby Garvey to discuss the Missing Middle Housing Study recommendations. The Second Vice President reported on the 800 N. Glebe Loading Dock July 7 annual community meeting. The President reported that in preparation for County Board consideration of the request by SER restaurant to build permanent outdoor seating, he had given the County planner a copy of the letter sent by the Bluemont Civic Association (BCA) in 2021 conveying the position taken by BCA members supporting this request. The Chair of the

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## **BCA Actions Since Our April 2022 Newsletter**

**Lubber Run Watershed group** with other civic associations and the Civic Federation noted that BCA's resolutions helped influence the County's consideration of a **stormwater utility fee**. Under the proposal, some property owners would pay more based on the amount of stormwater flow caused by the development of their properties, property owners would get credit if they reduced stormwater flow from their properties, and/or took other measures. It was not yet clear how impermeable surfaces would be defined.

#### August 2022

(Executive Board only)

Neighbors living near the site of the 4600 N. Fairfax redevelopment shared their questions and concerns with the Board and BCA's representative to the Site Plan Review Committee. The President reported that the Macy's site plan review committee meeting has been postponed until September, with no date yet set. The President reported on the continuing discussions between civic association presidents and County Board members Matt de Ferranti and Libby Garvey about **Missing Middle Housing**. The President reported on his meeting with Jerry Solomon, Director of the **County's Office of Public Engagement.** The President told them issues of importance to BCA members included the Missing Middle Housing Study, storm water management/flooding, traffic and parks. The Chair of the Lubber Run Watershed Group discussed the tour he and leaders of other civic associations and the Arlington County Civic Federation had of the site in the Westover neighborhood where the County is building a stormwater **detention facility**, a 12-foot-deep vault that will significantly reduce the stormwater flow into Torreyson Run, which empties into Four Mile Run. The Board agreed with the President's proposed follow-up on the County's upcoming reconfiguration of Wilson Blvd between N. Glebe and N. George Mason.

BCA sent the zoning authorities a copy of the letter BCA previously sent reporting that BCA members had voted to support SER's request. In addition, BCA was contacted about, but took no position on, the following zoning issues: a proposal to allow the an auto rental facility in the Comfort Inn at the corner of Glebe and Washington Boulevard, a proposal to allow a childcare facility in Ballston Commons Mall, and a proposal to allow a non-retail use, such as an exercise facility, in the ground floor space in the building on the southwest corner of Glebe and Fairfax Drive, which formerly was a restaurant.



## YOUR Bluemont Civic Association

Bluemont is one of the largest neighborhoods in Arlington County. It comprises nearly 6000 people and includes Arlington Traditional School, Lacey Woods Park, Mary Carlin Woods, Fields Park, Balls Crossing, West Ballston, and the Custis, Bluemont Junction and Washington and Old Dominion Trails. It lies along Bon Air Park (including the Rose Garden) and Bluemont and Bluemont Junction Parks.

Civic Associations serve an important and official communications link between neighborhoods and the Arlington County government. Bluemont is represented by the Bluemont Civic Association. Please join us! We welcome your membership, participation and ideas! Dues are \$15 per household for the calendar year. Each household gets up to two votes. Visit our website for more information: **bluemontcivic**. org, follow "Bluemont Civic Association" on Facebook for regular updates, and get on our mailing list by contacting exec@ bluemontcivic.org.

# **Connect with Bluemont**



**Facebook:** Like our **Bluemont Civic Association page on Facebook** for regular updates on news of interest to Bluemont, and civic association activities.

BCA website for BCA meetings and official information.

**BCA e-Mails:** Neighbors who provide their e-mail address to **exec@bluemontcivic.org** receive e-mail reports roughly monthly on issues affecting Bluemont residents, and civic association activities.

**Contact the Executive Board:** BCA welcomes comments, suggestions and questions from members. Contact us at **exec@Bluemontcivic.org**.

**Nextdoor.com** is a free, private social network where you can connect with people who live nearby. BCA posts announcements on Nextdoor.com.

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