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# **ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

**DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION**

2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 318

ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 22201

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##### **Minutes: 7:00 PM**

Type of meeting: Regular October monthly meeting (virtual).

Staff: Courtney Sales

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| **Attendance** |
|  | Member | Present | Absent |
|  | Interim Chair, Michael Angeloni | x |  |
|  | Rosemary Ciotti  | x |  |
|  | Cathryn Bonnette |  | x |
|  | Doris Ray | x |  |
|  | Marie Pellegrino |  | x |
|  | Alexa Mavroidis | x |  |
|  | Jennifer De Rosa |  | x |
|  | David Hudgens |  | x |
|  | Leo Cantos |  | x |
|  | Ann Barbour |  | x |
|  | Elizabeth Priaulx | x |  |

**CALL TO ORDER AT 7:02 PM**

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## **Meeting miutes**

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1. Presentation on Floating island bus stops (developments) by Daniel Nabors, Akram Ahmed, & Paul Mounier, Kevin Casadei, Transportation
	1. Arlington County Transportation Vision Update
		1. Arlington County has a total of 648 bus stops.
		2. FY2021, 23 bus stops were improved/renovated.
		3. FY 2022/2023 plans to improve 20 additional bus stops.
		4. FY 2023 expand improvement to more stops.
		5. Current floating bus stop is located on Arlington Wilson BLV @ N Pierce Street. Nine other bus stops are currently in various stages of developments.
		6. The transportation team’s goal is to listen to the concerns of DAC and make them better (safe and convenient as possible).
	2. Daniel provided updates on the bus stop improvements located on Wilson Blvd and N. Rhodes Street.

Concept Plan:

* + 1. The following have been done since the last presentation to DAC at February’s 2021 meeting:
	1. Akram Ahmed-Presented the following updates
1. Green V marks are on the road, indicating the bike lane.
2. Buffer space added
3. Concrete raised six inches on bus island (bikers can’t ride up on the island at the areas raised).
4. Railings separate island users and bike users.
5. Raised portion of the table top cross walk.
6. Tactile directional strips.
7. Longitudinal guiding strips.
8. Plastic bollard (used identify a floating bus stop), open to revisions.
	1. Bike Lanes
		1. Yield markings- Highlight users are crossing to/from the bus stop.
		2. Raised bike land and crosswalk.
		3. Tactile directional strips.
		4. Plastic bollard.
		5. Detectable Warning Surfaces.
		6. Detectable Guidance Strips.
		7. Bollards
	2. Other Feature
		1. The push button is in the same area, users will have the same amount of time to cross the street.
		2. Another option to use the floating island/stop as an area of refuge, will allow for additional time to cross,
9. Jill Jacobs, Executive Director, [Endependence Center of Northern Virginia](https://www.ecnv.org/)
	1. ECNV provided the following updates:
		1. Delivered groceries, technology, N95 mask.
		2. Virginia Department of Rehabilitation Services (DARS Pre-Employment Transition Service) has partnership.
		3. Community vaccine initiative focusing on persons with disabilities and persons of color.
		4. Received grant from Reeves Foundation-Innovations to Address the Caregiver Need.
		5. Partnered with the Loudon County Refugee Support, Disability Justice, Interdependent living lab (located at ECNV).
		6. January 2022 ECNV is moving/adding a new location- 1550 Crystal City Drive (will still have location Clarendon).
10. July (as amended) and Septemner meeting minutes approved.
11. (Staff Liaison Report)- Regional Grants
12. Public Comment-No public comment
13. Interim Chair’s Report- No report
14. Liaison Reports:
	1. Transit Advisory Commission Accessibility Subcommittee (Alexa Mavroidis)-
15. Scheduled to meet 10/22/2021.
	1. Housing Commission (Doris Ray)-
16. Meeting discussed updates on Serrano Apartments.
17. Affordable Master Plan.
	1. WMATA (Doris Ray)-
18. The blind/low vision community expressed concerns regarding floating bus stops at meeting.
19. Starting Nov 1, 2021 ride share returns.
	1. Vision Zero External Stakeholder Group (Ann Barbour) not present
	2. Marcus Alert Technical Group (Elizabeth Priaulx)- No report
20. Elizabeth Priaulx agreed to chair November’s meeting.
21. Meeting adjourns- 8:50

Next DAC: Meeting, Tuesday, November 16, 2021