

**PUBLIC SPACES MASTER PLAN-
IMPLEMENTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PSMP-IAC)**

Virtual Meeting

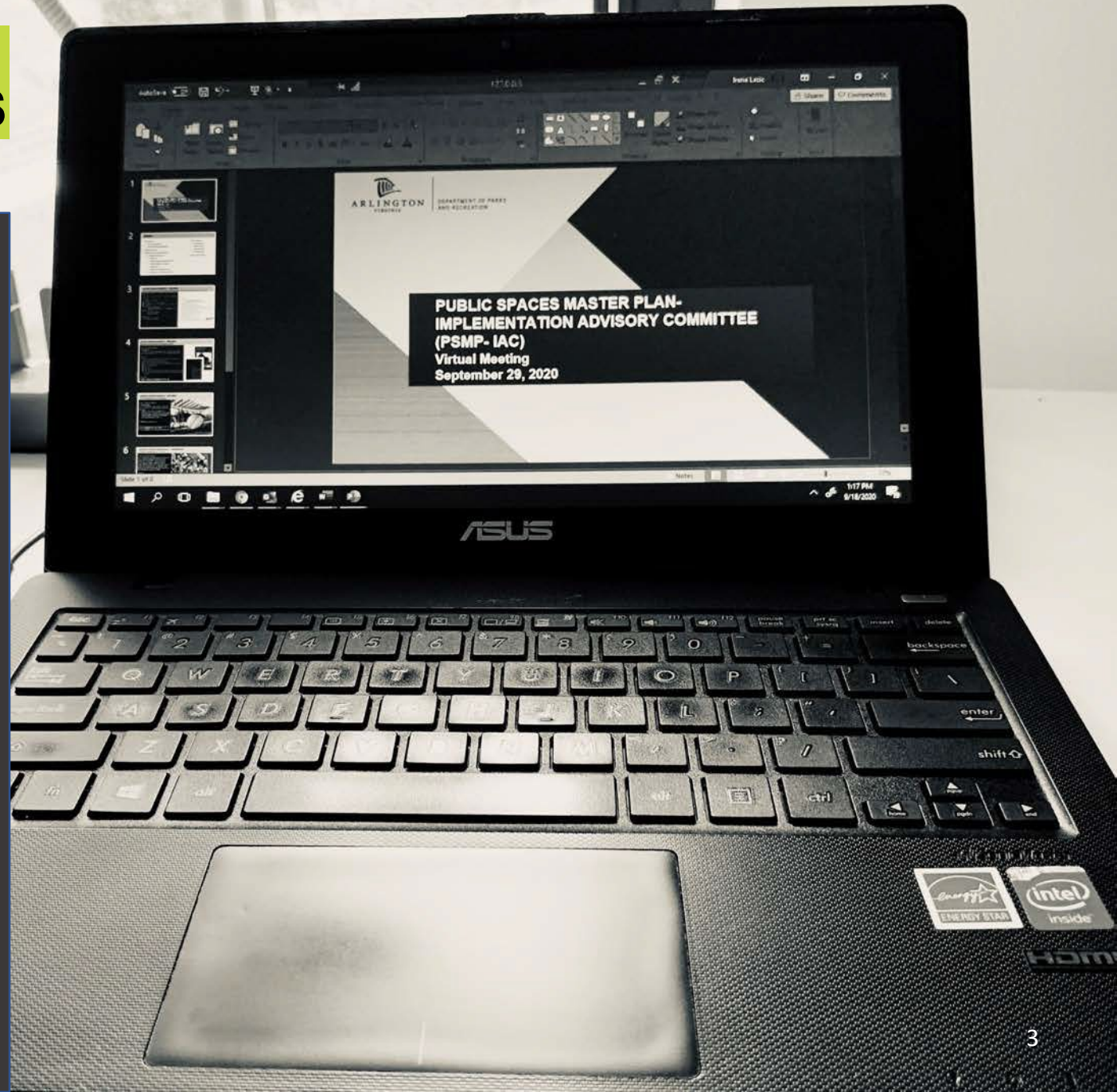
October 17, 2022

AGENDA

- **Introduction**
 - Co-Chairs Welcome
 - Virtual Meeting Ground Rules
 - Public Comment
- **Adopted FY 2023 - FY 2032 Capital Improvement Plan**
- **Stormwater Management Zoning Study**
- **FNRP Update**
- **Alcohol in Parks Policy Update**
- **PSMP-IAC Next Steps**

VIRTUAL MEETING GROUND RULES

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PUBLIC COMMENT



Adopted Capital Improvement Plan FY 2023 – 2032 CIP

- 10-Year Plan for Department of Parks and Recreation

PSMP-IAC 10/17/22

Department of Parks & Recreation Overview

- Continuation of existing projects and commitments
- Keeping up with program replacement cycles (State of Good Repair)
- Equity of distribution of projects
- Adherence to Public Spaces Master Plan

Major projects and initiatives in DPR's adopted 2023 – 2032 CIP:

- Arlington Boathouse
- Rosslyn Gateway Park
- Crystal City Parks and Public Space
- Emerging Uses Program
- Natural Resiliency Program
- Kenmore Field Conversion

Recent Program Accomplishments

- Long Bridge Aquatics & Fitness Center
- Virginia Highlands Synthetic Field
- Zitkala-Ša Park
- Bluemont Junction Trail
- Glencarlyn Park Pedestrian Bridge
- Rosslyn Highlands Park
- Jennie Dean Park (Phase 1)



Asset Inventory: Parks and Recreation



147 Parks totaling 924 acres; 126 acres of Natural Resource Conservation areas



81 Playgrounds and 4 Spray Playgrounds



76 Basketball Courts and 12 Half-Courts



87 Tennis Courts and 5 Practice Courts



42 Rectangular Athletic Fields --- 15 Lighted, 15 Synthetic



35 Diamond Athletic Fields --- 19 Lighted, 2 Synthetic



19 Combination Athletic Fields --- 3 Lighted



7 Community Gardens



48 Picnic Shelters



9 Dog Parks



39.7 Miles of Multi-Use Trails



67 Bridges and Low-Water Fords



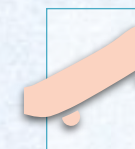
25 Restrooms



Picnic Tables, Benches, Grills, Kiosks, Drinking Fountains, Park Signs, Fences



250k+ Trees in Parks; 69% Canopy Cover



Amphitheater, Skate Park, Other Amenities

Previously Approved PAYG and Short-Term Finance Projects

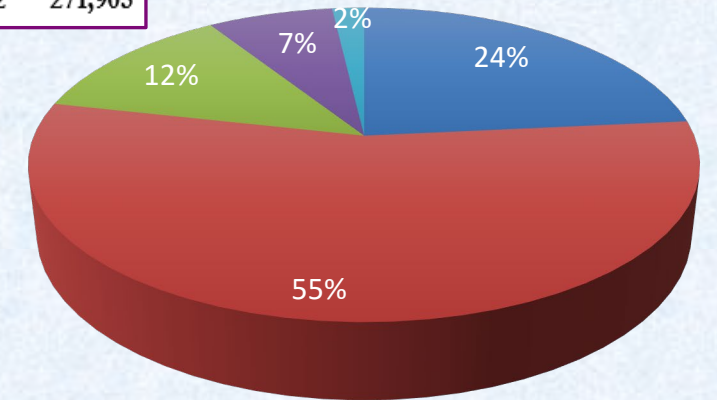
Program	Total Budget	Source of Funds	Projects
Maintenance Capital	\$590,000	PAYG	Capital Asset Manager, Feasibility Studies & Implementation, Field Fund
Maintenance Capital	\$638,000	Bond Premium	Bailey's Branch Park Playground Design, Woodmont Park Playground Design
Maintenance Capital	\$5,000,000	Go Bond (Authorized/unsold)	Bluemont Park Tennis Court Replacement
Maintenance Capital / Synthetic Field Program	\$1,306,000	Short-Term Finance	Equipment at DPR Facilities, Greenbrier Running Track Replacement / Wakefield High School Stadium Field Replacement
Synthetic Field Program	\$491,000	Partnerships	Wakefield High School Stadium Field Replacement (APS cost share)

Program Summary

10 YEAR PROGRAMMED CATEGORY SUMMARY (in \$1,000s)

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	10 Year Total
Maintenance Capital	8,738	6,110	5,800	5,805	6,010	6,015	6,220	6,225	6,430	6,437	63,790
Park Master Plans	5,995	17,435	17,425	5,725	42,089	8,099	1,390	4,415	14,720	32,370	149,663
Trail and Bridge Modernization	1,730	3,400	3,375	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,050	1,050	1,000	19,605
Parks Land Acquisition and Open Space	2,000	0	0	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	5,000
Synthetic Turf Program	982	2,838	1,983	1,357	2,320	3,112	2,073	13,991	1,596	3,595	33,847
Total Recommendation	19,445	29,783	28,583	14,887	53,419	19,226	12,683	25,681	24,796	43,402	271,905

By Program



- Parks Maintenance Capital (\$63.79M)
- Parks Master Plans (\$149.663M)
- Synthetic Field Program (\$33.847M)
- Trail and Bridge Modernization Program (\$19.605M)

FY2023-2032 CIP: Maintenance Capital Projects

Monroe Park



Total budget: \$1,130,000

FY2023

Location: 1330 S. Monroe St. (22204)

- Follows design funding from FY 2020.
- Replacement of existing pre-school and school-age playground, updated seating, landscaping and ADA compliant pathways.

Douglas Park, Phase 1



Total budget: \$2,365,000

FY2023 - FY2024

Location: 1718 S. Quincy St. (22204)

- Replacement of picnic shelter, one pedestrian bridge, site furnishings, and other site improvements.

FY2023-2032 CIP: Maintenance Capital Projects

Bailey's Branch Playground



Total budget: \$1,890,000

FY2023 - FY2024

Location: 990 S. Columbus St. (22204)

- Replacement of pre-school and school-age playgrounds.
- Coordinated effort with the Arlington Neighborhoods Program.

Woodmont Park Playground



Total budget: \$1,265,000

FY2023 - FY2024

Location: 2422 N. Filmore St. (22207)

- Replacement of existing pre-school playground with a playground that also offers some components for school-age children.

FY2023-2032 CIP: Master Plan Projects

Three Urban Parks



Total budget: \$9,425,000

FY2023 - FY2025

**Location: 3550 Wilson Blvd. / 820 N. Lincoln St. /
3715 7th St. N. (22201 / 22203)**

- Maury, Herselle Milliken and Gum Ball Parks.
- Currently have minimal level of amenities.
- Will provide recreation and casual use spaces that contain complementary rather than duplicative features.

Jennie Dean Park, Phase 2



Total budget: \$4,400,000

FY2023 - FY2024

Location: 3630 27th St. S. (22206)

- Timing brought forward to align with WETA's plan to vacate the building in 2023.
- Builds upon Phase 1 work that is now complete.
- Includes basketball court, tennis court, pathways, landscaping, and stormwater improvements.

FY2023-2032 CIP: Master Plan Projects

Short Bridge Park



Total budget: \$6,775,000
FY2023, FY2025

Location: 3920 Potomac Ave. (22202)

- Builds upon DES's Phase 1 multi-use trail work (summer 2022 projected completion).
- Includes an interpretive plaza, dog run, riverfront overlook, casual use lawn area, walkways, public art, site furnishings and landscaping and stormwater management.

Arlington Boathouse



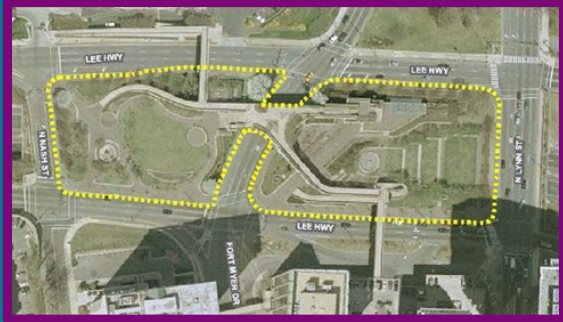
Total budget: \$18,695,000
FY2024, FY2027

Location: Potomac River shoreline (22209)

- Timing within framework of Programmatic Agreement.
- Includes construction work of the lower site.
- Builds upon operation and management study funded in FY2022.

FY2023-2032 CIP: Master Plan Projects

Rosslyn Gateway Park



Total budget: \$19,350,000
FY2025, FY2027, FY2032

Location: 1300 Langston Blvd. Highway (22201)

- Rosslyn's largest and most prominent park.
- Current amenities are beyond useful life and failing.
- Land Use Permit with VDOT for maintenance of the superstructure approved by the County Board December 2021.
- Include design of East/West sides and construction of East side.

Penrose Square Park, Phase 2



Total budget: \$4,710,000
FY2026, FY2028

Location: 2597 Columbia Pike (22204)

- The first and largest of three squares planned within the Columbia Pike Town Center node.
- Builds upon Phase 1 that opened November 2012.
- Will provide additional flexible program space.

FY2023-2032 CIP: Master Plan Projects - Crystal City Parks and Public Space

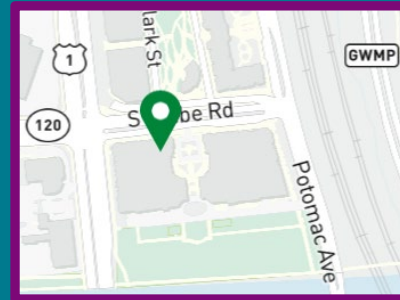
Metro Market Square



**Total budget: \$9,515,000
FY2023 - FY2024**

- Anticipate 60% developer funding for construction.
- Located at future Metro station entrance.
- Retail-oriented, flexible urban park.

Center Park, Phase 1



**Total budget: \$10,670,000
FY2025 - FY2027**

- Master Plan will be developer funded (\$300k received in FY22).
- Phase 1 builds out one acre.
- Phase 2 (future) dependent upon future redevelopment in the area.

23rd Street Plaza, Phase 1



**Total budget: \$2,553,000
FY2026 - FY2028**

- Phase 1 will create a vibrant retail plaza with café zones, landscaping and hardscape.
- Phase 2 (future) will be a long-term effort.

FY2023-2032 CIP: New Master Plan Initiatives

Emerging Uses Program



Total budget: \$6,000,000
Biennial Requests Starting FY2023

- To accommodate trends, community feedback, policy changes, etc.
- To allow timely studies and implementation.
- FY 2023 funds a permanent pickleball facility at Walter Reed Community Center and striping of multi-use courts (location to be determined).
- Work may address uses such as pickleball, skateboarding, installation of a pump track, etc.

Natural Resiliency Program



Total budget: \$8,500,000
Biennial Requests Starting FY2024

- To improve natural environments.
- Work may include forest restoration, stream improvements, large scale invasives removal, implementation of biophilic principals, etc.

Notable Out-Year Master Plan Projects (FY2028 - FY2032)



Parks and Recreation

<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Total Budget</i>	<i>Program</i>	<i>Project Description</i>
Quincy Park	\$2.865M FY2031 - FY2032	Master Plan	Master planning and design for replacement of diamond and rectangular fields, tennis and basketball courts, and picnic shelter.
Shirlington Park	\$5.29M FY2031 - FY2032	Master Plan	Enhancement of primary park entry points and existing pedestrian bridge, creation of natural pathways along stream edge, plaza areas, storm water improvements, etc.
Fairfax Drive Public Spaces	\$13.84M FY2029 - FY2031	Master Plan	Create a more flexible, pedestrian-oriented urban park that will enhance the physical character and utility of this area.
Virginia Highlands Park and Nearby Public Spaces	\$27.075M FY2028-FY2032	Master Plan	Develop park master plans for three sites located in the Pentagon City area, including the existing Virginia Highlands Park, a new park at 20th St. S. and S. Ives St. and a new parcel at the former Dominion Substation site.

FY2023-2032 CIP: Programs

Trail and Bridge Modernization Program

Total budget: \$19,605,000
Annual Requests Starting FY2023

- Annual replacement of pedestrian trail segments.
- Conducting an update to trail pavement condition assessment.
- Replaces an average of two pedestrian bridges annually until FY 2029.

Land Acquisition Program

Total budget: \$5,000,000
Requests Starting FY2023

- Allows for strategic acquisition of real property for parks and public spaces as opportunities arise.
- PSMP recommends 30 acres of new public space be added over next ten (10) years.
- No new funding has been allocated since FY 2017.

Synthetic Turf Program

Total Budget: \$33,847,000
Annual Requests Starting FY2023

Near Term Replacements:

- Wakefield High School Field (\$982K; FY 2023)
- Washington-Liberty High School Field (\$1.180M; FY 2024)
- Williamsburg Middle School Fields 1 & 2 (\$1.658M; FY 2024)

Conversion:

- Kenmore Middle School Field moved to FY25 (\$9.84M)

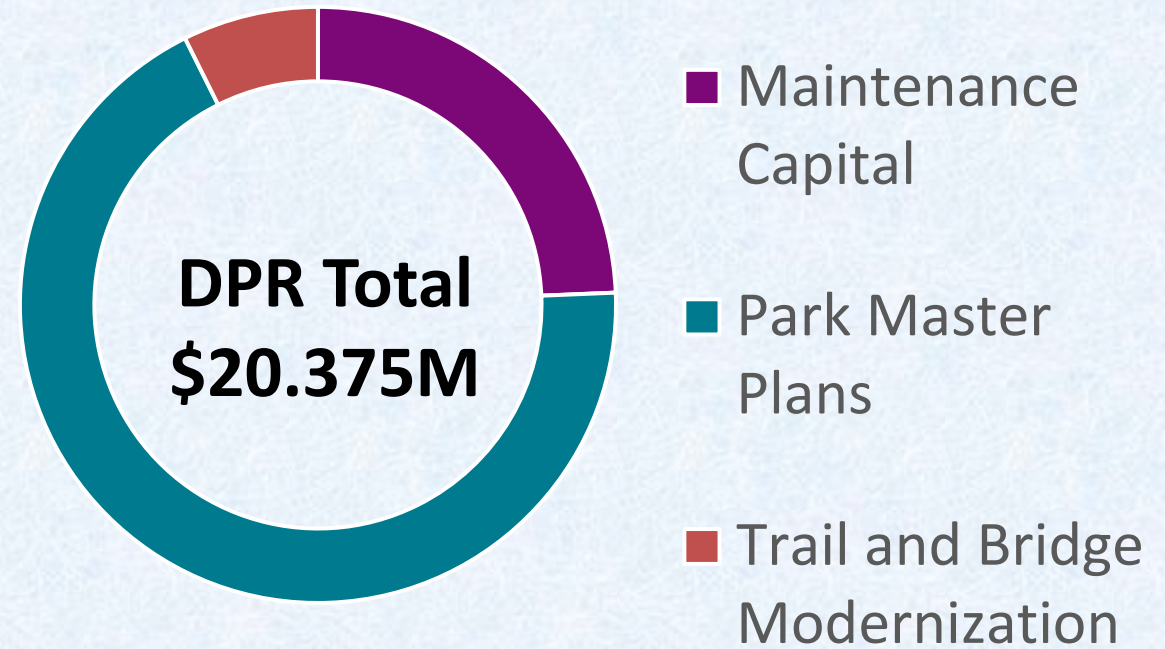
2022 Referenda - DPR Projects

Monroe Park Construction	\$1.130M
Douglas Park Design & Construction	\$2.065M
Bailey's Branch Park Construction	\$0.740M
Woodmont Park Construction	\$1.025M

Three Urban Parks Planning & Design	\$1.450M
Jennie Dean Phase 2 Design & Construction	\$4.400M
Short Bridge Park Design	\$1.140M
Arlington Boathouse Design	\$2.925M
Emerging Uses Program	\$2.000M
Natural Resiliency Program	\$2.000M

Trail and Bridge Modernization	\$1.500M
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TOTAL	\$20.375M
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Stormwater Management Zoning Study

PSMP Implementation Advisory Committee Meeting

October 17, 2022

Briefing Overview

Reduce flood risk

Zoning flexibility

Crossover with PSMP implementation

Reducing flood risk by increasing resiliency

Arlington's need for urgent action to address flooding, due to:

- Increasingly intense storms due to climate change
- Lack of sufficient space to make resilient system upgrades, or to provide safe pathways for water to flow during storm events
- Development patterns that pre-date modern stormwater management practices that have exacerbated the severity of flooding

[Stormwater Master Plan](#) (2014)

Strategy 1—Reduce flooding risks to public and private property

Strategy 2—Maintain and upgrade stormwater infrastructure

Strategy 9—Initiate climate adaptation and resilience planning



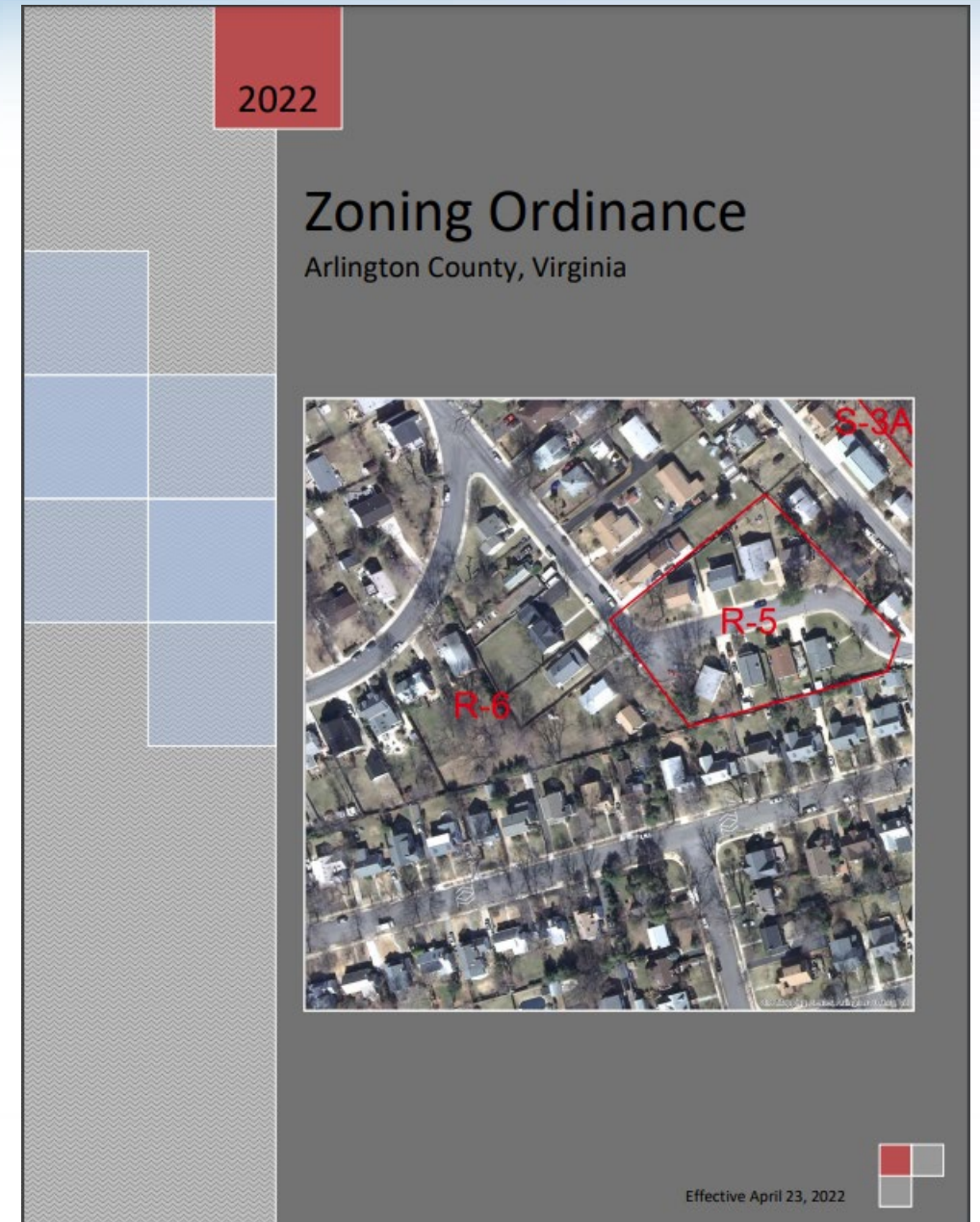
[Photo Credit: Nicole Bender via ARLNow.com](#)

[Website: Flood Resilient Arlington and the Path Forward](#)

Existing Zoning Standards

Issues with current zoning standards:

1. Lack of clarity for determining when SWM facilities are permitted or prohibited
2. Limitation in the Public districts (S-3A, P-S, and S-D) use tables for utilities
3. Setback standards prohibit structures (including SWM facilities) within setbacks
4. Taller fence heights along front lot lines (+4') needed to secure certain above ground features
5. Extra step in project management for County Board use permit
 - Duplicates similar public outreach **a)** during CIP and **b)** before/during the project



PSMP Implementation

Action Plan Recommendation:

- **1.5.10.** – Review and consider updating the County’s zoning regulations related to parks and public spaces in S-3A” and “P-S” districts, and other County codes as needed, related to setbacks, athletic field and other lighting, parking and parking options, dog parks and dog runs, signage, height, water features, fencing and temporary use of public and private property as public space.
- Identified as a priority recommendation in the County Board Guidance



PSMP Implementation Opportunity

Similar constraints for public spaces such as parks:

1. Setback standards prohibit many structures (ex. benches, seatwalls) within setbacks
2. Taller fence heights along front lot lines (+4') needed to ensure safety of play and users (ex. sport courts, dog parks, community gardens)

Publicly-owned land (ex. parks, schools) are being considered by DES for new SWM facilities to reduce flood risk

- Example: Underground vault beneath open space at Cardinal Elementary
- SWM facilities in public spaces may require rearrangement and/or replacement of amenities – added flexibility for siting supports park planning/development

Cardinal Elementary Project

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Cardinal Elementary Exhibits



Scoping

Within scope:

1. Maximum height for fencing, particularly for front yard setbacks, in public spaces
2. Flexibility for certain public space features to be located within required setbacks
 - Benches, seatwalls, and other forms of seating
 - Athletic features, such as basketball hoops/poles
 - Playground equipment
 - Decking
 - Entry features

Outside of scope:

1. Maximum height and setback flexibility for buildings
2. Maximum height for storage sheds and similar structures
3. Regulations for athletic field lighting
4. Parking requirements
5. Signs
6. Use permit approval requirements

Schedule (tentative)

Anticipated completion: **1st Quarter 2023**

1. September - October 2022
 - Introducing the study to County residents (critical watershed stakeholder groups)
 - Staff research/analysis
2. October - December 2022
 - Complete study website
 - Public engagement event
 - Briefings with additional boards/commissions (ex. C2E2, PRC)
3. 1st Quarter 2023
 - Zoning Committee of the Planning Commission
 - Additional briefings with boards/commissions
 - Request to Advertise for County Board
 - Planning Commission and County Board action

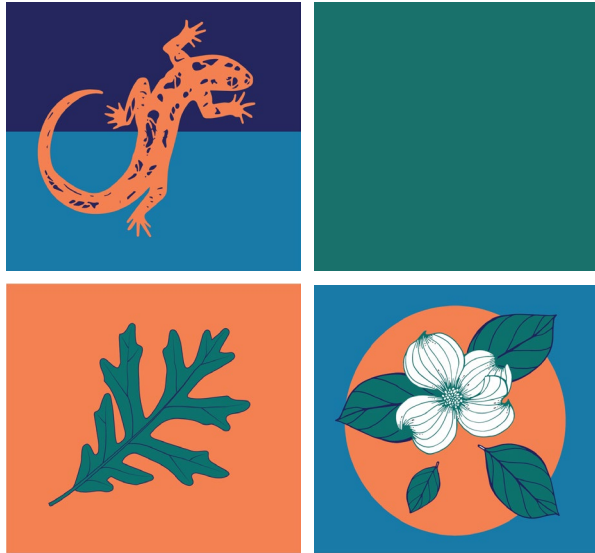
Stormwater Management Zoning Study

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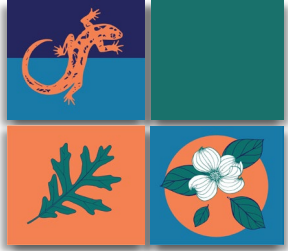
Forestry and Natural Resources Plan Update

- Intro and Status Update
- Draft Overview
- Engagement Overview
- Q&A
- Next Steps



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Parks & Recreation



What is the Forestry and Natural Resources Plan?

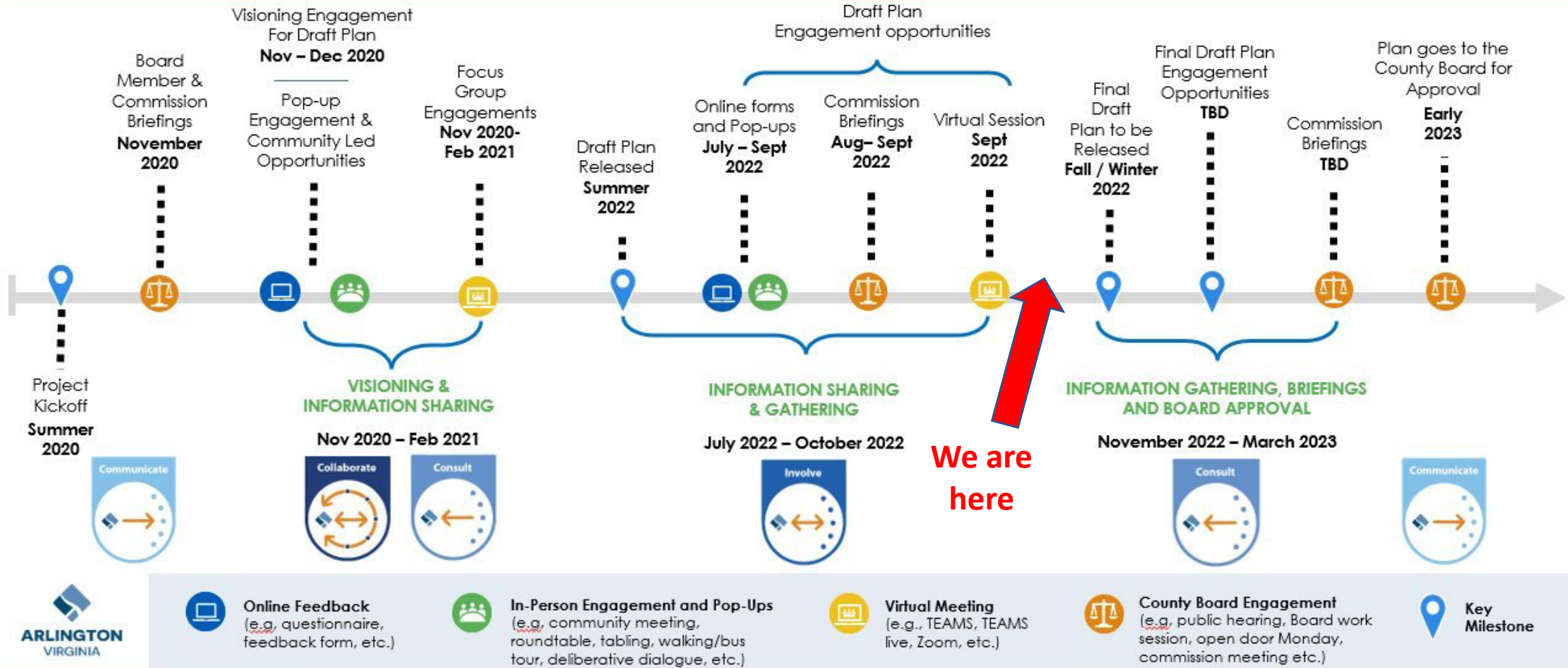
- Part of Arlington's Comprehensive Plan
- The guiding document for urban forest, natural resource, and public land management
- Focuses on both private and public realms
- A combined update to the Urban Forest Master Plan and Natural Resources Management Plan

Forestry and Natural Resources Plan Public Engagement Timeline

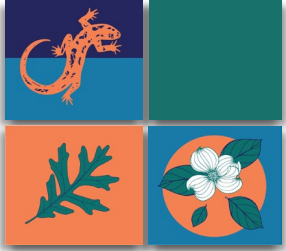
Origin: Element of Comprehensive Plan

Funding: General Fund

Staff Contact: Ryan Delaney (fnrp@arlingtonva.us)



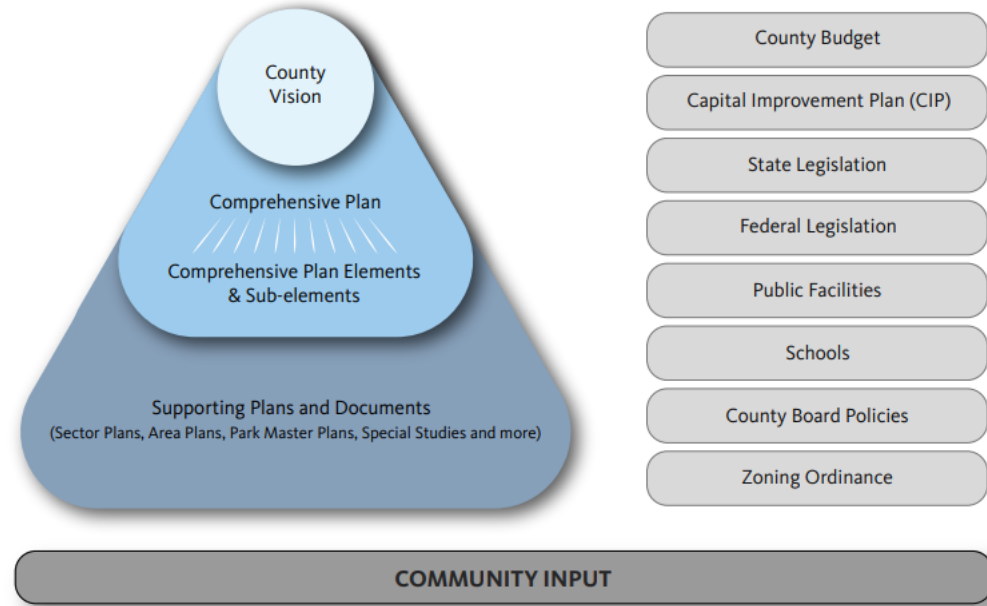
We are here

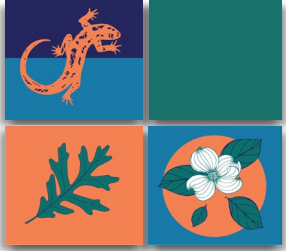


What is the Comprehensive Plan?



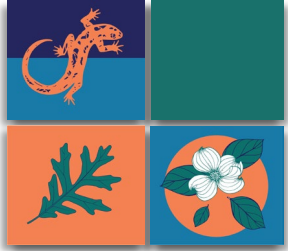
How Does the Comprehensive Plan Influence Priorities?





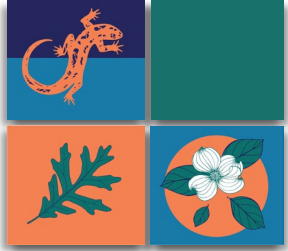
FNRP Organization - Guiding Principles

- Natural ecosystems support human health and vibrant communities
- Nature is intrinsically valuable
- The benefits of natural assets should be accessible across all neighborhoods
- Protecting and increasing natural assets must be a key strategy for addressing the impacts of climate change in our community
- An engaged community drives positive actions
- Wise investments and stewardship are necessary to maximize returns



FNRP Organization – Introduction and Context

- **Introduction**
 - Value of Nature
 - Vision Statement
- **Planning Context**
 - Public Realm and Private Property in the FNRP
 - Natural History of Arlington
 - Existing Conditions
 - Racial Equity
 - Challenges and Opportunities



FNRP Organization – Draft Strategic Directions

1. Conservation

Increase and protect tree canopy, natural areas and biophilic features throughout the County

2. Climate Adaptation and Resilience

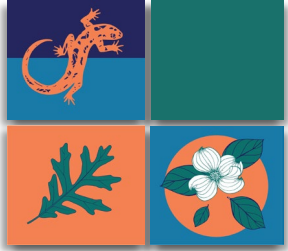
Employ Arlington's natural assets to protect public health and well-being

3. Biodiversity

Share vibrant landscapes with people, plants and animals

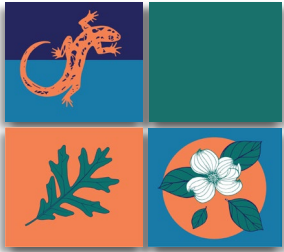
4. Operations and Maintenance

Manage organizational resources for maximum return



Additional Elements for the Final Draft

- Maps and Figures
- Implementation Matrix
- Priority Actions
- References and Appendices



Engagement Summary

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ENGAGEMENT

WE HEAR YOU

- 1,700+ Arlingtonians shared their input
- 1,100+ Pop up engagements
- 326 SurveyMonkey Responses
- 336 KonaVelo Comments

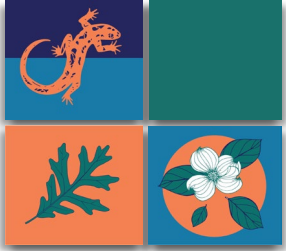
Forestry and Natural Resources Plan Public Engagement Timeline

Breakout Rooms

- Community Commitment**
How do we work together to make a greener Arlington, including volunteer programs, industry partners (health care, outdoor recreation) education/schools, community action, community members (the role of private property), deer, lawn care, homeowners, vendors, real estate agents, developers
- Development and Natural Resources**
How do we design with nature, including tree cover and equity, housing, lot coverage, biophilic design, urban street trees, zoning / code updates, missing middle housing, maintenance
- Climate Resiliency**
How do we use plants to lessen the impacts of climate change including stormwater, habitat conservation, green infrastructure, shade/design, heat island, light pollution, invasives, metrics and assessments

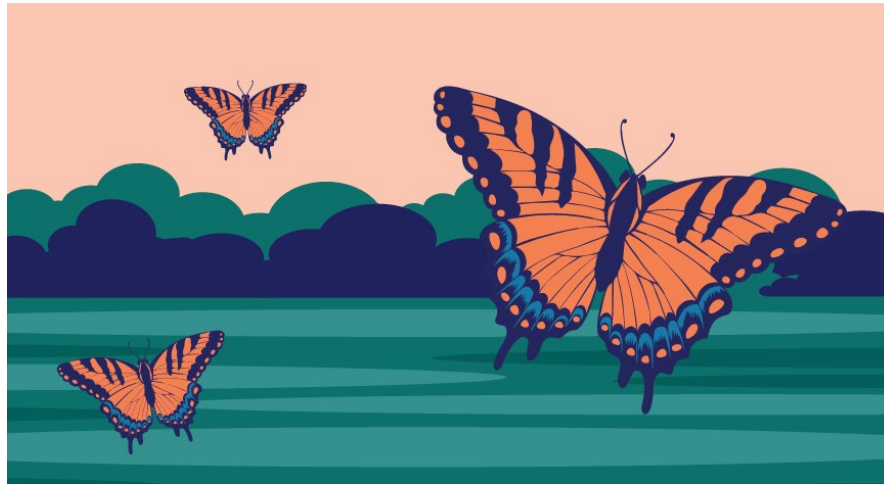
Engagement Summary – What We're Hearing

- Like the vision, 'but'...
- Don't cut trees - plant more trees
- Plant native remove invas
- Maintenance
- Less impervious - More green sp



Next Steps

- LRPC 10/19
- Feedback Analysis
- Create Final Draft



FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES PLAN

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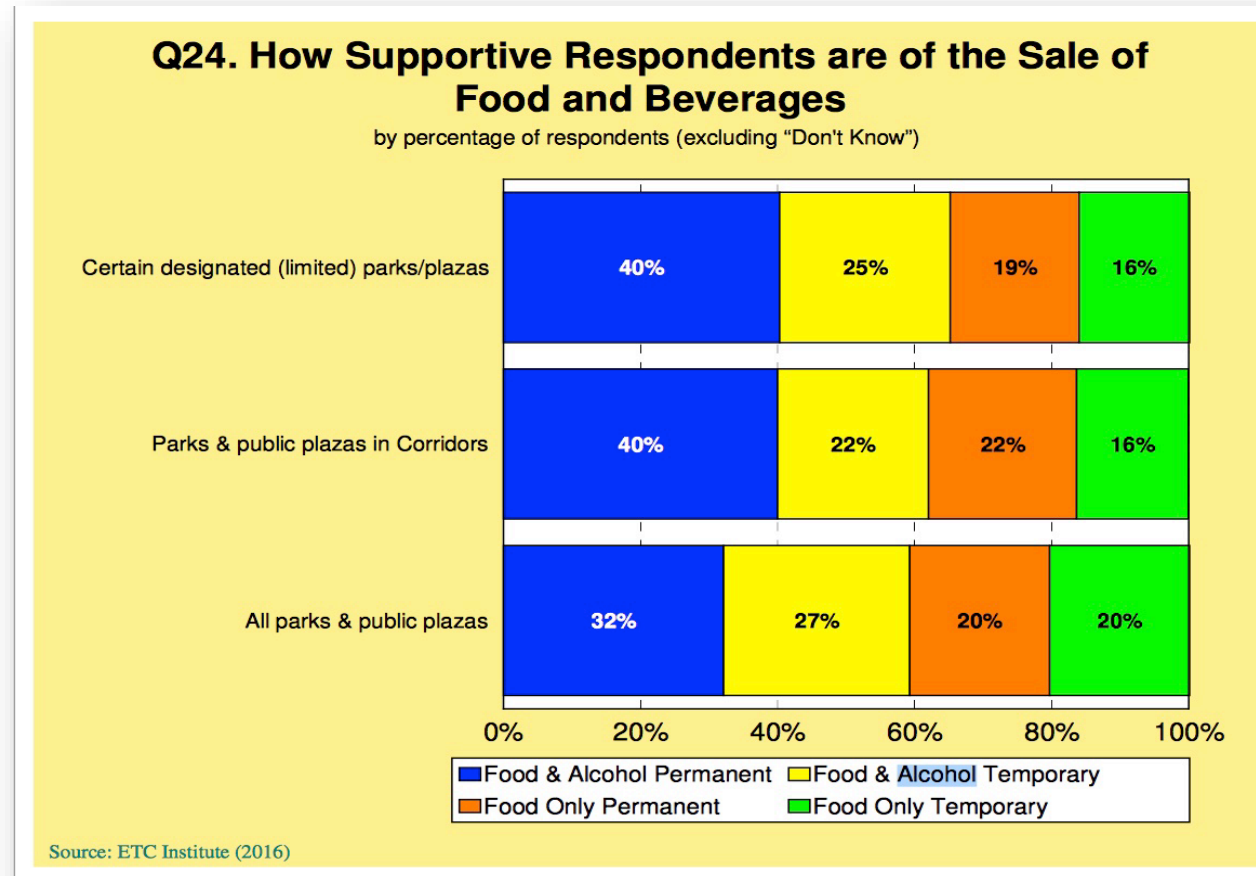
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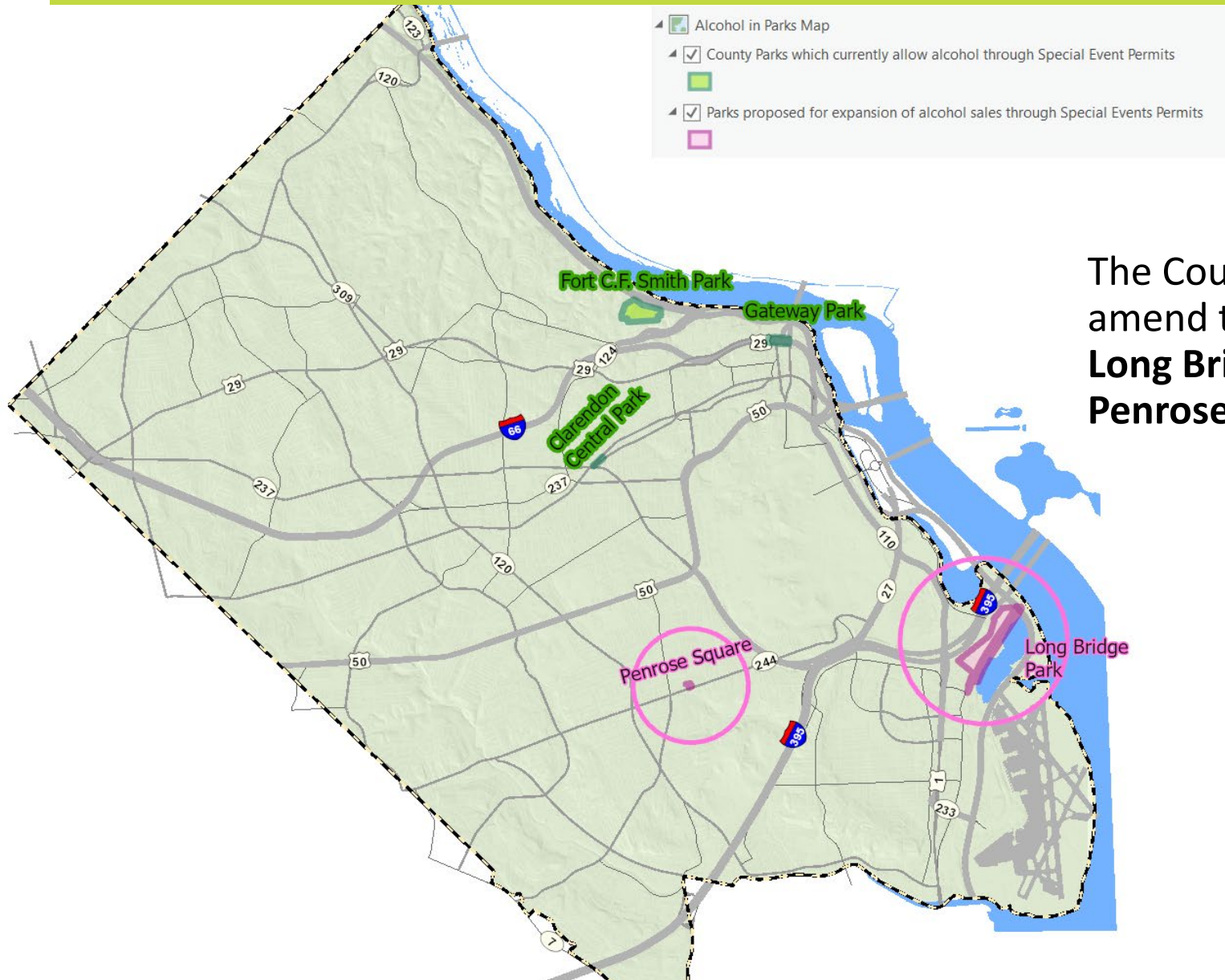


PROJECT CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

- The PSMP recommends
 - 1.6.2. Explore the revision of Section 17-2 of the Arlington County Code to allow the County to issue permits for the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages in designated parks. (page 73)



OBJECTIVE



The County is proposing to amend the code by adding **Long Bridge Park** and **Penrose Square** to the list.

CURRENT POLICY

- County Code prohibits the sale and possession of alcohol in public parks with the exceptions of areas of Fort C. F. Smith Park, Clarendon Central Park, and Gateway Park during special events.
- Special event permits are required to host outdoor events that draw a crowd, include alcohol and require street closures, and indoor public events that require police support.
 - Additional permits and facility rentals may be required.
 - For events with alcohol, police review *is* required, and police presence *may be* required.
- Events that include alcohol are required to obtain a Virginia ABC Permit.

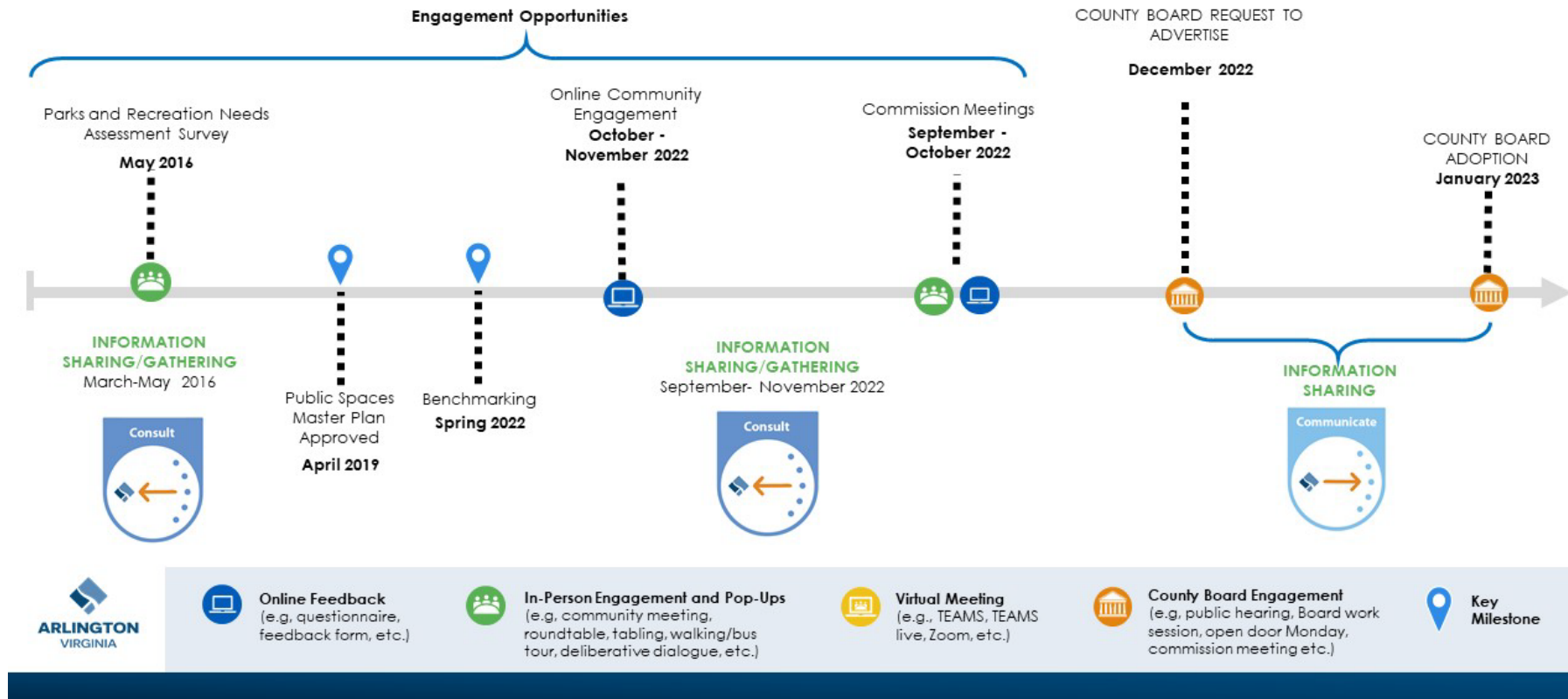
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & BOARD ADOPTION

Alcohol at Special Events in Long Bridge Park and Penrose Square Project

Project Contact:

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Project Funding: N/A





THANK YOU – *PLEASE PROVIDE FEEDBACK*

- 1** Share your thoughts on our [feedback form](#)
- 2** Sign up on the [project page](#) to get updates as we move along on this project.
- 3** *Thank you* for your time and input!

PSMP-IAC NEXT STEPS

- **2023 Topics:**
 - FNRP
 - zoning study
 - field availability & utilization
 - natural surface trails
 - casual use spaces
 - Biophilia
 - park master plan implementation
 - urban parks lighting pilot
- **PSMP-IAC Meetings quarterly**
- **Next Meeting – January 2023**

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