



ARLINGTON COUNTY  
SPORTS  
COMMISSION  
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 414  
Arlington, Virginia 22201



June 27, 2017

The Honorable Jay Fisetto  
Chair, Arlington County Board  
2100 Clarendon Blvd  
Arlington, VA 22201

Re: Sports Commission Membership on Public Facilities Review Committee (PFRC)

Dear Chairman Fisetto,

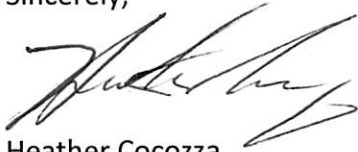
The Sports Commission respectfully requests the Arlington County Board to grant the Sports Commission a permanent membership role on the Public Facilities Review Committee (PFRC) so that the Commission can proactively gain a higher level of early visibility to projects that involve sports facilities and fields prior to the public hearing phase. As a member of the PFRC, the Sports Commission would provide timely and valuable input on the development of county and school projects. As the available land for new sports facilities and open space diminishes, the Commission's early input into the design process can allow for innovative designs and consideration of the design impact of projects on sports access in the county.

Membership on the PFRC will greatly improve our effectiveness as a County Advisory Commission and fulfill the role of our charter, which authorizes the Commission to make recommendations regarding, among other things, the adequacy of the County's sports facilities. Indeed, the Commission members represent key sports consumer stakeholders in the County, and its involvement in this committee has a high potential to improve the efficiency of the sports-related space planning process on the whole. Again, the County has limited options for meeting the growing demand for sports, and membership on this committee will enable the Commission to advocate for critical project requirements and scope issues at the earlier design level, when flexibility is at its highest. This, in turn, will benefit the Arlington County Board in their decision-making process.

Finally, our membership on this committee will substantially enhance the ability of the PFRC to carry out its own mission, which is to ensure that the highest quality of land use planning, design, transportation planning, and other important community aspects are incorporated into civic projects as assigned to the Committee by the Arlington County Board.

We look forward to your response to our request, and appreciate your continuing support of the Sports Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Heather Cocozza', written in a cursive style.

Heather Cocozza  
Chair, Sports Commission

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