

Madison Manor Walking Town Meeting June 19, 2008

Walking Tour Stop	Neighborhood Topics	County Response
<p>Starting Point: McKinley Elementary School, 1030 North McKinley Road - There will be parking at McKinley Elementary School. Please walk from the school to the starting point at McKinley Road and North Quantico Street. At the end of the Walking Town Meeting, participants will be shuttled back to their cars at McKinley Elementary School.</p> <p>Note: In the event of rain or inclement weather, the meeting will be held at the Madison Manor Park Pavilion.</p>		
<p>1. <u>Intersection of McKinley Road and North Quantico Street</u></p>	<p><u>Pedestrian Safety Improvements:</u> The Madison Manor Citizens Association would like to thank the County Board for their support of the Neighborhood Conservation Program projects. The neighborhood would like to highlight the recent improvements as part of its Neighborhood Conservation Plan such as the new street nubs, new Madison Manor sign, new Carlyle Lights and crosswalk installation on North Quantico Street.</p> <p>Additionally, the Madison Manor and Dominion Hills neighborhoods are in the process of considering a joint lighting and beautification project for North McKinley Road.</p>	<p>Staff recently completed several Neighborhood Conservation projects including street nubs, new Madison Manor neighborhood sign, and new Carlyle lights.</p> <p>County staff is scheduled to install thermo plastic crosswalk borders by the end of the month.</p>
<p>Route: Travel west on North Quantico Street to North Nottingham Street and turn left. Continue on North Nottingham Street to North Ohio Street to the dead end of North Ohio Street.</p>		
<p>2. <u>North Ohio Street (Dead End)</u></p>	<p><u>Transition between Residential and Commercial Property:</u> Is a green buffer zone possible? Can the County look into these issues and provide the neighborhood with an update to address its concerns in this area?</p> <p>Residents would like to have staff look into the merits of a “green wall buffer zone” between Madison Manor and commercial property (adjacent to the new Car Max site) and determine if it is a viable</p>	<p>County staff has researched the possibility of creating a green buffer between Madison Manor and the adjacent commercial property at 6607 Wilson Blvd. Although several of the adjacent Madison Manor lots are primarily within Arlington County, the commercial site is entirely within the City of Falls Church. Falls Church planning staff reports that the City has discussed possible redevelopment of the site with the property owner but that no development application has been</p>

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<p>2. <u>(Continued)</u></p>	<p>alternative solution.</p> <p>Additionally, residents are concerned about the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The bright lights from the Koons Auto Body parking lot that spill into the neighborhood; b. The age of trees; many are old and there is fear of them falling; c. The smell of diesel fumes from idling trucks; and d. The possibility of degreasers, oil spillage and other potential environmental hazards. 	<p>received to date. The possible role of Arlington County in the creation of a green buffer is limited by two factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County funds cannot be used to improve private property, and • The County cannot directly affect development that occurs outside its jurisdiction. <p>County staff will work with residents to monitor the situation and work with Falls Church staff regarding a possible buffer in any future redevelopment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Zoning Ordinance contains specific requirements as to lighting in parking areas. Staff will conduct a field visit to determine whether commercial property owners are in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and follow up with the Citizens Association. b. County staff is available to evaluate the health of existing trees and to make recommendations regarding screening at this location. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban Forester Dick Miller (703-228-6557) and Ernesto Martinez (703-228-1863) will evaluate the health of existing trees. • Landscape Supervisor Patrick Wegeng (703-228-6521) will evaluate and make recommendations regarding screening at this location.

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<p>2. <u>(Continued)</u></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park Manager Kevin Stalica will be in attendance at the meeting to respond to specific questions and to conduct follow up. <p>c. Arlington County Police Department will coordinate with Falls Church Police to address this issue.</p> <p>d. Staff will inspect this area for potential hazards and follow up with the Citizens Association. In the meantime, when residents suspect hazardous materials, call Diana Handy at 703-228-0772.</p>
<p><u>Route:</u> Travel north on North Ohio Street to North Quesada Street and turn left. Turn right onto North Potomac Street. Continue on North Potomac Street and turn left onto North Quintana Street. Follow Quintana Street to 11th Road North.</p>		
<p>3. <u>Intersection of North Quintana Street and 11th Road North</u></p>	<p><u>Reptile Ordinance Amendment:</u> Madison Manor would like to know the status of the remaining snake issues and how the snake ordinance issues are being enforced. Residents would like to discuss soil testing, wider area snake search, and emergency protocols in a meeting with County staff and a herpetologist. These were issues sent to County Board Chairman Tejada on May 6th and repeated at the May 17th County Board Meeting.</p>	<p>In response to this issue, the County Board swiftly passed an ordinance amendment banning ownership of venomous snakes in Arlington. Staff verified the removal of all venomous snakes this week from the Quintana Street location. The owner has been fully cooperative in complying with the newly amended ordinance. Additionally, staff has scheduled a June 25th meeting with the Citizens Association to address the remaining neighborhood concerns.</p>

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<p>Route: Continue west on to 11th Road North to North Powhatan Street. Turn left onto North Powhatan Street; turn left onto 12th Road North to North Quantico Street. Madison Manor Park will be on the right. (Note: At 12th and Powhatan Street note spilled concrete that the neighborhood would like to see removed.)</p>		
<p>4. <u>Madison Manor Park</u></p>	<p><u>Trail Improvements:</u> Residents would like paving for the existing stone dust and dirt connector path at the north end of 1300 block of North Quintana Street. This is a frequently used connection from the neighborhood to Metro or the W&OD, Custis and Four Mile Run Trails.</p> <p>What are the available mechanisms for funding improvements for the park trail?</p> <p><u>Park Improvements:</u> Where are we on the list for a major park upgrade? What is the status for the Park Grant application?</p> <p>Residents would like the status of small parks application, and to discuss improvements already made and the possibility of a park renovation.</p>	<p>Trail paving funding opportunities include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal transportation funding under transportation enhancement program; • State grants from Department of Conservation and Recreation; and • County park enhancement grants. <p>In addition other funds may also be sources such as Neighborhood Conservation funds, PRCR capital funds, and private donations. Parks staff will be in attendance at the meeting to further evaluate the trail and explore potential funding opportunities.</p> <p>There are currently no scheduled improvements for the Madison Manor Park for the current or next fiscal year. Staff is currently conducting a life cycle study of all of the County's park facilities to identify the most urgent priorities and to determine the replacement date and cost of renovations.</p> <p>Staff reports that there is not a pending parks grant application. The bleachers currently at the Madison Manor Park diamond field were applied for and awarded through a 2005 parks grant. Parks staff will be in attendance at the meeting to answer additional questions.</p>
<p>Ending Point: Madison Manor Park. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided following the tour.</p>		

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Legend

- County Line
- Walking Stops
- Return Shuttle Bus
- Walking Route
- Civic Association
- Buildings
- Property Lines
- Parks and Open Space

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P Walking Town Meeting Parking

***** Rain Location: Madison Manor Park Pavilion

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