



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

### County Board Agenda Item Meeting of February 11, 2012

**DATE:** January 27, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Funding Request for Neighborhood Conservation Program Projects

**C. M. RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the use of a total of \$3,437,755.00 of Neighborhood Conservation bond funds which is entirely for the priority neighborhood projects listed in Attachment A as approved by the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee (NCAC) for fall 2011, and authorize the County Manager to proceed with implementation of these projects.

**ISSUE:** This is a request for approval of NCAC recommended projects from the fall 2011 funding session. No issues have been identified.

**SUMMARY:** The Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee (NCAC) considered 33 first priority neighborhood projects from member neighborhoods at the December 8, 2011 meeting. Of these requests, six (6) are recommended for funding. Staff concurs with the NCAC, and recommends approval of the priority neighborhood projects listed in Attachment A.

**BACKGROUND:** This is the third funding session of the 2010 Neighborhood Conservation Bond. The NCAC continues to utilize a "Points Committee" process. This Committee has the responsibility for rating and ranking projects submitted for funding and reporting its recommendations to the NCAC as a whole. The points system used by the Committee is intended to provide guidance regarding project funding rather than strictly imposing limitations or setting up an inflexible ranking system. The points system assigns a numerical value to proposals based on the following criteria:

- Neighborhoods that have recently completed new plans or plan updates
- Number of rounds with an unfunded project
- First project after a newly-accepted Neighborhood Conservation plan
- Alternate funding source with a written commitment
- Follow-on projects identified at the outset of an initial project
- Implementation phase of a project previously funded for planning

County Manager:

County Attorney:

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Staff: Angela Marshall, Department of Community Planning, Housing & Development, NC Planner

- Small projects
- Park projects
- Sidewalk project which abuts any arterial(s)
- Sidewalk project within ¼ mile of any arterial(s)
- Sidewalk project where previously there is no complete sidewalk on either side
- Sidewalk project with no existing sidewalk on either side with traffic volume of 1500 cars per day

After neighborhood presentations, the NCAC considered its recommendations regarding the distribution of bond funds based on the following:

- The funding session information package
- Testimony and discussion
- The report of the Points Committee

The NCAC currently reviews only qualified first priority neighborhood projects. All projects were chosen in priority ranking order and six were selected.

**DISCUSSION:** The combined value of all six (6) first-priority projects is within the acceptable limits defined by the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee, which requests full funding for these projects. The projects are listed in Attachment A, which shows the amount recommended to be allocated to the project from Neighborhood Conservation funds (NC Net Project Dollars), any alternate funding (from other County sources) that will be used, and the total estimated cost of the project. Of the six (6) projects recommended for funding at the December 8, 2011, NCAC meeting, two (2) are street improvements, one medians/striping safety, two (2) pedestrian safety, and one park.

Staff concurs with this recommendation, and recommends that the County Board approve the six (6) first priority-projects at the amounts shown for Neighborhood Conservation funding. Attachment B provides a status update on projects that were approved in September 2011.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The \$3,437,755.00 is recommended for allocation from the November 2010 voter-approved \$9,000,000 Community Conservation Bond. Funds will be appropriated to the projects at the time the bonds are sold.

<u>2010 Bond:</u>	
\$9,000,000	2010 Bond Amount
\$1,000,000	Paving Program
\$ 600,000	Stormwater Management Program
\$ 884,762	Savings from Projects completed in 2011
(\$1,373,611)	Recommended Projects (Spring 2010)
(\$3,302,559)	Recommended Projects (Fall 2010)
(\$2,809,566)	Recommended Projects (Spring 2011)
(\$3,437,755)	Recommended Projects (Fall 2011)
\$ 561,271	Remaining for additional projects

**PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR NC FUNDING – FALL 2011**

Rank	Location	Neighborhood	Points	Alternate Funding	NC Net Project \$	Description	Risk Factors*
1	Patrick Henry Dr. – 16 <sup>th</sup> St N to Washington Blvd	Westover Village	55	\$108,000	\$531,829	Beautification, pedestrian safety with corner nubs, bike lanes	None
1	Playground @ Glencarlyn Park	Arlington Forest	55		\$485,000	Park Improvements	N/A
2	N. Sycamore St – 26 <sup>th</sup> St N to Williamsburg Blvd – PH I	Williamsburg	50	-	\$679,101	Beautification, pedestrian safety with corner nubs, bike lanes and Art Bus pads	None
2	23 <sup>rd</sup> St S – S. Culpeper St to S. Columbus St	Claremont	50	-	\$495,671	Beautification, pedestrian safety with corner nubs, landscaping & possible bio-retention features	None
2	20 <sup>th</sup> St N – N. Kenmore St to N. Monroe St	Cherrydale	50	-	\$562,481	Street Improvement – Sidewalk, curb, gutter, streetlights	Utility Pole relocations, one permanent easement required
3	S. Fern St – 22 <sup>nd</sup> St S to 19 <sup>th</sup> St S	Aurora Highlands	45	-	\$683,673	Street Improvement – Sidewalk, curb, gutter, streetlights	None

\*Risk Factors – Project characteristics that are likely to impede targeted completion of street improvement project 100% designs within a 12-month timeframe.

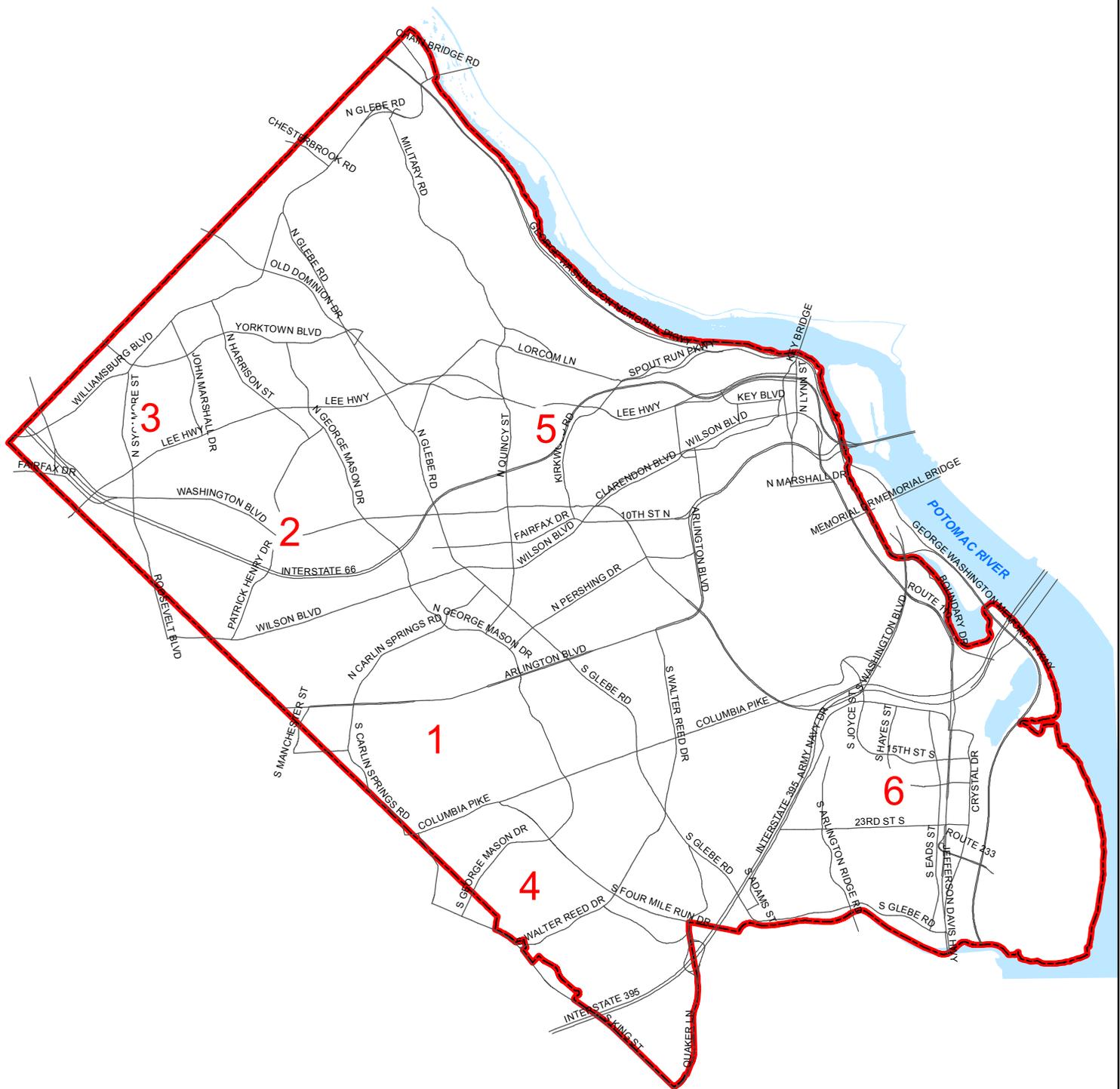
**ATTACHMENT A**

**February 2012 PROJECT STATUS UPDATE (February 2011 Approvals)**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Neighborhood</b>	<b>NC Net Project \$</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Design Complete?</b>
Williamsburg Blvd – N. George Mason Dr to N. Kensington St – PH I	Rock Spring	\$732,245	Street Improvement	Additional survey needed; in design. Accelerated North Piedmont Street Project approved by County Board in September of 2011
S. Irving St/Arlington Blvd Phase II – Arlington Blvd – S. Fillmore St to S. Irving St	Arlington Heights	\$381,478	Street Improvement	100% Design Complete
Kirkwood Rd – Lee Hwy to 14 <sup>th</sup> St N.	Ballston VA Square	\$719,955	Street Improvement	Existing Survey was not sufficient, design near 100%; additional survey pending
Patrick Henry Dr – 9 <sup>th</sup> St N to Wilson Blvd – PH III	Dominion Hills	\$269,678	Street Improvement	100% Design Complete
11 <sup>th</sup> St S – S. Edgewood St to S. Cleveland St	Columbia Heights	\$391,703	Street Improvement	100% Design Complete
Rock Spring Neighborhood Sign	Rock Spring	\$ 12,500	Neighborhood Sign	100% Design Complete
Doctor's Run Park	Douglas Park	\$495,000	Park	100% Design Complete

**ATTACHMENT B**

# Arlington County, Virginia NC General Project Locations



## NC Project Locations:

1. Playground at Glencarlyn Park – Arlington Forest
2. Patrick Henry Drive – 16th St N to Washington Blvd – Westover Village
3. N. Sycamore St – 26th St N to Williamsburg Blvd (PH II) – Williamsburg
4. 23rd St S – S. Culpeper St to S. Columbus St – Claremont
5. 20th St N – N. Kenmore St to N. Monroe St – Cherrydale
6. S. Fern St – 19th St S to 22nd St S – Aurora Highlands

0 5,280 Feet



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