

STATEMENT ON Resolution to Restore the Public's Confidence in Arlington County Governance

Submitted 10 March 2023 by the Sponsors

In this resolution the opening statement sums up the resolution-
Whereas, public participation processes are based on the belief that those who are affected by a decision have the right to be involved in the decision making process and all perspectives should be represented in civic engagement.

The sponsors are speaking for a wide range of people across Arlington and the NAACP is speaking for their organization which isn't inclusive of the rest of Arlington. By combining the two, one voice is heard.

In the combined Resolutions, we are asking the County to

1. Recommit to the "Arlington Way"
2. Support in spirit open-data and open-government principles and regulations.
3. Reconvene and reinvigorate the Arlington County Open Data Advisory Group and Open Data Portal.
4. Reinvigorate and empower County Commissions and other Advisory Groups by selecting a wider diversity of perspectives and backgrounds.
5. Establish Interdepartmental after-action, lessons learned review.
6. Enact a policy preventing the implementation of plans, policies or projects in the absence of a thorough and data supported analysis of potential and cumulative impacts.
7. Updating and maintaining the County's website to fix broken links promptly and make pertinent information about County policies more accessible.