

ACCF General Meeting Notice

NORMAL START TIME
Tuesday, March 6, 2007, 7:30 PM
Hazel Conference Center
Virginia Hospital Center – Arlington
1701 North George Mason Drive

1. **7:30 pm** Pledge of Allegiance (formal start)
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes (February 6, 2007)
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Announcements (upcoming meetings)
6. **7:40 – 8:15 pm – Commissioner of Revenue and Treasurer Program** (See Page 1)
7. **Arlington Senior Programs**
 - **8:15 – 8:35 pm** - Learning about Current Programs (See Page 1)
 - **8:35- 8:45 pm** - The Future – Elder Readiness Task Force Report (See Page 2)
8. **8:45 – 8:55 pm** New Business & Announcements
9. **8:55 – 9:25 pm (Tentative)** Zoning Changes Explained (from last meeting and See Page 2)
10. Adjournment

We are short (the Newsletter)!

Why is this newsletter so short! Three main reasons:

1. Limited content and we could use filler – but it is just that – filler to take space;
2. Trying to determine your acceptance or a shorter version (with additional and “late breaking” information always on the Website) and;
3. Newsletter costs are escalating and this is one approach for a test, versus raising dues.

Let us hear your reactions!

Revenue/Treasurer Program

The Commissioner of Revenue, Ingrid Morroy and the Treasurer, Frank O’Leary will discuss revenue issues, new

initiatives, customer service improvements such as payment methods and customer advocacy, new services, and solutions to assessment problems.

Tidbits

This section will bring you up to date on status of some “old” items. Also highlighted are new activities or actions considered or approved by the Executive Committee since the February meeting. In all cases, unless specifically noted, material has been posted to our Web site. Please refer to that resource for further details where noted:

- **Appointments** – None this period
- **2007 Banquet Program** – The Banquet will be held Friday, March 30, 2007 at the Hyatt Arlington in Rosslyn. A superb repast is planned – make plans to attend! Maureen Bunyan, veteran television news broadcaster and a news anchor for ABC 7, is the featured speaker.

Learning about Arlington’s Services for Older Residents

By Brenda Cox - Public Information and Outreach Committee of the Commission on Aging

In an effort to make the Arlington community more aware of the needs of our senior population, the Public Information and Outreach Committee of the Commission on Aging will be making a presentation to the Civic Federation at its March 6, 2007 meeting. This presentation will be an initial effort to let Arlington seniors and their caretakers know about the services available to them through the county and nonprofit agencies. Some of these services include, but are not limited to Medicare and Medicaid information, tax relief, transportation services, assistive devices for daily living, meals on wheels, reverse mortgages, identity theft, fall and fire prevention, library services for the homebound and the blind and physically handicapped. Members of the committee will also be available throughout the year to speak at the various civic association meetings. For more information and to schedule a representative for your civic meeting, contact the Agency on Aging at 703-228-1700, TTY 703-228-1788, or via e-mail at Arlaaa@arlingtonva.us. The Agency has Information and Referral Specialists available to answer phones Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. You may also visit the Agency on its website for more information.



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April Meeting: Tuesday, April 3, 2007
The Major Topic: Revenues and Expenditures Report
April News deadline: March 14, 2006

Elder Readiness Task Force Report

Extracted from Arlington, VA Web site

What is the Elder Readiness Plan? As baby boomers age, the number of elders in Arlington will more than double. The proposed Elder Readiness Plan is a blueprint for an inclusive, livable community that will be ready to meet the increased needs of the elder population expected over the next 25 years.

The plan recommendations address four major areas: housing, transportation, supportive services/health care, and community involvement. The plan lists goals, strategies, outcome measures, responsible parties and timing.

The multipart report is available on the Arlington County Web site. Ms. Terri Lynch, Director of Arlington's Agency on Aging will provide us an overview of this important report.

Help Wanted – Open Invitation

There are always positions that can open at any time. If you have any particular interest – keep us (Committee Chairs advised) - (*See Web site for Contact Information*).

Committee Calendar

Please look on the ACCF Web page calendar for latest postings of committee meetings.

Zoning Change Proposal

By Planning and Zoning Committee

At the February 6th meeting, the Civic Federation approved a resolution following a presentation and discussion led by the Planning and Zoning Committee. ACCF voted to suspend rules since the Board was scheduled to consider the changes on February 24, which was before the next Federation meeting. The resolution:

Proposed Zoning Changes (Amendments to Chapter 27A of the Zoning Ordinance, “C-R” Commercial Redevelopment District)

Whereas the County Board advertised certain proposed changes to the C-R zoning district on January 27, 2007, and intends to vote on them on February 24, 2007;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Arlington County Civic Federation recommends that the County Board defer consideration of the proposed zoning changes until at least the April County Board meeting so that the substance of the changes can be explained to the Civic Federation and to interested civic associations throughout the County.

Since then, the Planning Commission met and considered those zoning changes at its February 12th meeting. For some of the same reasons ACCF discussed, the Planning Commission voted 7 to 3 to request a deferral until April. On February 15th both the Housing and Transportation Commissions voted to support the changes.

If the County Board at its February 24th (or carryover) meeting supports a deferral (as recommended by ACCF and the Planning Commission), we will provide time for a Planning and Zoning Committee program in support of our resolution's provision, namely – “*so that the substance of the changes can be explained to the Civic Federation*”. Obviously, if the County Board takes other action at its February meeting, this “tentative” agenda item will not occur.

Please see the ACCF website for latest status so you can plan accordingly.