Delivering Results for Shirlington in 2017-18 SCA Board | October 31, 2018



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The SCA has been working hard to improve our quality of life and enhance property values. In particular, a team of SCA Board members served on the Four Mile Run Valley (4MRV) Planning Initiative,

attending over <u>65 meetings over two years</u> to improve the industrial and park areas just across S Arlington Mill Road (SAMD) on the northern edge of Shirlington.

As a result, we are happy to report that the County Board has just approved:

- \$16.9 million in FY 19–20 funds to expand Jennie Dean Park at S. Four Mile Run Drive and S. Nelson, remove the old field lights that glare at Village residents and visitors, install a new playground, pathways, and open up green space along the stream; and
- \$6 million in approx. 5 10 years to improve Shirlington Park (the lateral park with the bike trail that runs alongside SAMD).

In addition, the SCA has secured:

- \$35,000 from the Neighborhood Conservation Program to install "Shirlington Neighborhood" signs near S. Walter Reed Drive and up to Rt. 7.; and
- \$100,000 in unspent developer benefits from 20 years ago that will be used to increase pedestrian safety at crossings along S Arlington Mill Drive.

Parking in the Village and in the 4MRV area is of course one of our toughest issues. We are working to make sure that the County understands that the needs of Shirlington residents, merchants, customers and visitors are always top priority.

2019 SCA Priorities

- Consolidation of WETA's Operations into its Village location (unconfirmed)
- Campbell Garage 9-month maintenance project (on-going)
- I-395 Changes to Shirlington Interchange by VDOT
- Community input on the proposal for a new residential building centered on Federal Realty's surface parking lot at Randolph and S Arlington Mill Drive

- Community input into specific park and playground designs
- 4MRV and Village parking needs review
- Commuter needs buses, bikes, scooters and Metro access