



February 13, 2024

Sara Steinberger  
Arlington County Planning Commission  
2100 Clarendon Blvd, Suite 700  
Arlington, VA 22201

Dear Chair Steinberger,

The Arlington Chamber of Commerce requests that the Planning Commission recommend Item 6 on the February 14 agenda, concerning the rezoning ordinance and site plan for the Goodwill site redevelopment at 10 South Glebe Road.

This redevelopment project will transform the existing retail property into a site with a new retail and donation center, in addition to new housing units as well as a child care center. The new 128 committed affordable housing units, provided for those up to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI), advances the objectives of the Affordable Housing Master Plan. The child care center would be able to accommodate up to 40 children, a significant positive step in providing much needed space for child care.

This redevelopment proposal would also lead to the construction of new sidewalks and a multi-use trail, consistent with the goals of the Master Transportation Plan. The project has also taken constructive steps on parking and loading operations to minimize adverse impact the flow of traffic along South Glebe Road.

We ask that the Planning Commission recommend the rezoning ordinance and site plan for County Board adoption. We thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Bates". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kate Bates  
President & CEO

CC: Planning Commission Members; Housing Commission Members; County Manager Mark Schwartz; CPHD Director Samia Byrd; Planning Director Anthony Fusarelli.