



February 9, 2026

Chair Nia Bagley
Arlington County Planning Commission
2100 Clarendon Blvd, Suite 700
Arlington, VA 22201

Dear Chair Bagley,

On behalf of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, I request that the Planning Commission recommend the adoption of the GLUP amendment, rezoning, and site plan amendment for the Lecky Gardens project at 2031 North Woodrow Street. This proposal would advance the goals of both Arlington County's Affordable Housing Master Plan, and the core tenets of the Langston Boulevard Area Plan.

This proposal would generate 249 committed affordable housing units along the Langston Boulevard corridor. The Chamber recognizes that there is a shortage of housing units across all price points in Arlington County, including along Langston Boulevard. The inclusion of three- and four-bedroom units in the project addresses a specific shortage of units for those sizes, as identified in the Affordable Housing Master Plan.

In addition to housing, this project advances the core development vision of the Langston Boulevard Area Plan. The proposed density and height of this project are in accordance with the vision for this portion of the corridor in the Langston Boulevard Area Plan. It also contains several community benefits, including a greenway and preservation of certain existing trees.

We request that the Planning Commission recommend adoption of this project, and we look forward to the County Board's adoption and the ultimate implementation of this project. 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: Members of the Planning Commission; County Manager Mark Schwartz; CPHD Director Samia Byrd.