

**GREATER ARLINGTON CIVIC COUNCIL, INC.**  
**Thursday August 17, 2020**  
**THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING**

Things are slowly ZOOMING along on many fronts.  
One day we will all meet up again at the library.  
In the meantime, I would like to share a few things that are going on in our area.

**ZONING AND LAND USE CHANGES ;**

**Girvin Road 2020-288 and 2020-289; To the best of my knowledge this requested rezoning and land use change from low density to medium density has been stopped. We need to stay vigilant.**

**Georgian Villas 2020- 0342; in old Arlington in the area east of the University Park Library. It is on Jack and George Streets. The Current Land Use is MDR and the current zoning is RMD-C and RMD-D. This property is allowed up to 20 units per acre and can currently develop multi-family housing without and changes to land use or zoning. The PUD does request a 10 foot separation between buildings which currently requires 20 feet. They are not asking to change the 20 foot building setback from the property line. One curious thing is that they are requesting expedited approval for up to six buildings prior to plat approval. This is most unusual.**

**DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY;**

**On Merrill Road at Ft Caroline Rd near Buck and Buck Realty. The housing portion of this development is now under construction. The Popeyes and Tire Store are both open.**

**On the Arlington Expressway the large housing development north of the roundabout where the Burlington Coat Factory, Cloth World, Publix once were is now under construction.**

**The Sand Dune area west of Southside is filling up with apartments and single family residential units. The traffic light at Lone Star and Treadnik at Southside is now fully functioning. You can enter from Southside and continue westerly to a roundabout on Lone Star but the connection on through to Lone Star has not yet been completed. The improvements to Lone Star road done as part of the BJP were done to improve this major Collector road and it is past time for this roadway to be connected up and functioning. Traffic planning is all about connectivity. Joyce Morgan is working on getting this done.**

**ROGERO ROUNDABOUT; After many years this roundabout at Arlington Road near Bruce Park is well under construction. It is my understanding that the power lines will now be placed underground. This project will be quite an improvement for the area and will connect the Arlington Road and Rogero Town Center Projects.**

**The Turbo Roundabout on University at Merrill in front of JU recently had an official groundbreaking ceremony.**

**An Ace Hardware is reportedly going into the Cobblestone Crossing Shopping Center where the fitness center was previously located.**

**LANDSCAPE; FDOT is currently landscaping the Hart Expressway from University Boulevard to Atlantic Boulevard.  
Also FDOT will soon be landscaping the Atlantic triangle area south of Regency near Olive Garden.**

**The Tree Commission has a new set of programs for tree planting applications on public property. We have over 20 Million dollars in our tree funds that can only be used to plant trees on public land. Type 1 is for individual trees to be planted in the right of Way in front of your house. Type 2 is the primary one. Anyone can submit an application for a public area that they feel is appropriate for and needs trees. GACC has submitted an application for additional and replacement trees on Monument Road from I-295 to McCormick. The City will review the application, work with the applicant and then implement the tree planting if deemed appropriate. Type 3 is for large projects that would typically be done by GreenScape or other large organization. If you search under COJ Tree Commission you can find the forms. Start looking for places that could use a tree or more. The City contact is Kathleen McGovern. Public Rights of Way, Fire Stations, Police sub Stations, parks, Schools, JEA, JTA, JPA, JAA are all public lands that trees could be placed on. Call me if you have questions about this process. Lad 607 5006.**

**Lad Hawkins, President**