



ARLINGTON RIDGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
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August 25, 2011

Mr. Paul Holland, Park and Recreation Commission Chair  
c/o PEG – Diane Probus  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources  
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 414  
Arlington, VA 22201

Dear Mr. Holland:

Subj: Park Enhance Grant for Prospect Hill Park

Arlington Ridge Civic Association (ARCA) is pleased to endorse the Pentagon Ridge Civic Association proposed Park Enhancement Grant to beautify and improve Prospect Hill Park.

Prospect Hill Park is a destination for many ARCA neighbors who routinely walk the neighborhood and stop at Prospect Park to rest for a few minutes and admire the views of the Pentagon, the Navy Annex, the Air Force Memorial, and Arlington Cemetery. It is also a destination for many ARCA families to watch the fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

After 911, Prospect Park became an informal memorial for those patriots who lost their lives when flight 77 hit the Pentagon. This piece of history deserves a face lift to make it a safer and more functional destination and an anchor for the Arlington Ridge neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Andrew Smith  
Vice President, Arlington Ridge Civic Association

Copy to:  
Adam Kutcher  
Pentagon Ridge Civic Association



**The Arlington County  
Park and Recreation Commission and  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources**

**PEG APPLICATION FORM  
Fiscal Year 2012**

**I. Location of Proposed Project:**

Park Name (if applicable): Prospect Hill Park

Street Address: 1025 S. Arlington Ridge Rd.

Other County facilities or open space in proximity to the project (e.g. nearby park, school or other facility): Panoramic view of Air Force Memorial, Pentagon, and downtown DC.

**II. Sponsoring Group or Individual:**

Contact Person: Adam Kutcher, Treasurer, Pentagon Ridge Condominium Association

Address: 1515 S Arlington Ridge Rd, #404 Zip 22202

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Phone: 703-869-5081

**III. Community Support (where applicable, list groups from the community which support the project, e.g. citizens, associations, PTA, service clubs, etc. ; supply letters of support):**

Horizon House Condominium Association

The Representative Condominium Association

Arlington Ridge Civic Association

**IV. Community Served and Neighborhood Conservation Area:**

Arlington Ridge

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**V. Population Served (e.g. age group(s) served, approximate number served, etc):**

Adults, seniors, families. 100-200 people per week. This is a popular site for watching July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks due to its commanding view of the area and was the site of an impromptu memorial during/after 9/11.

**VI. Project Specifics:**

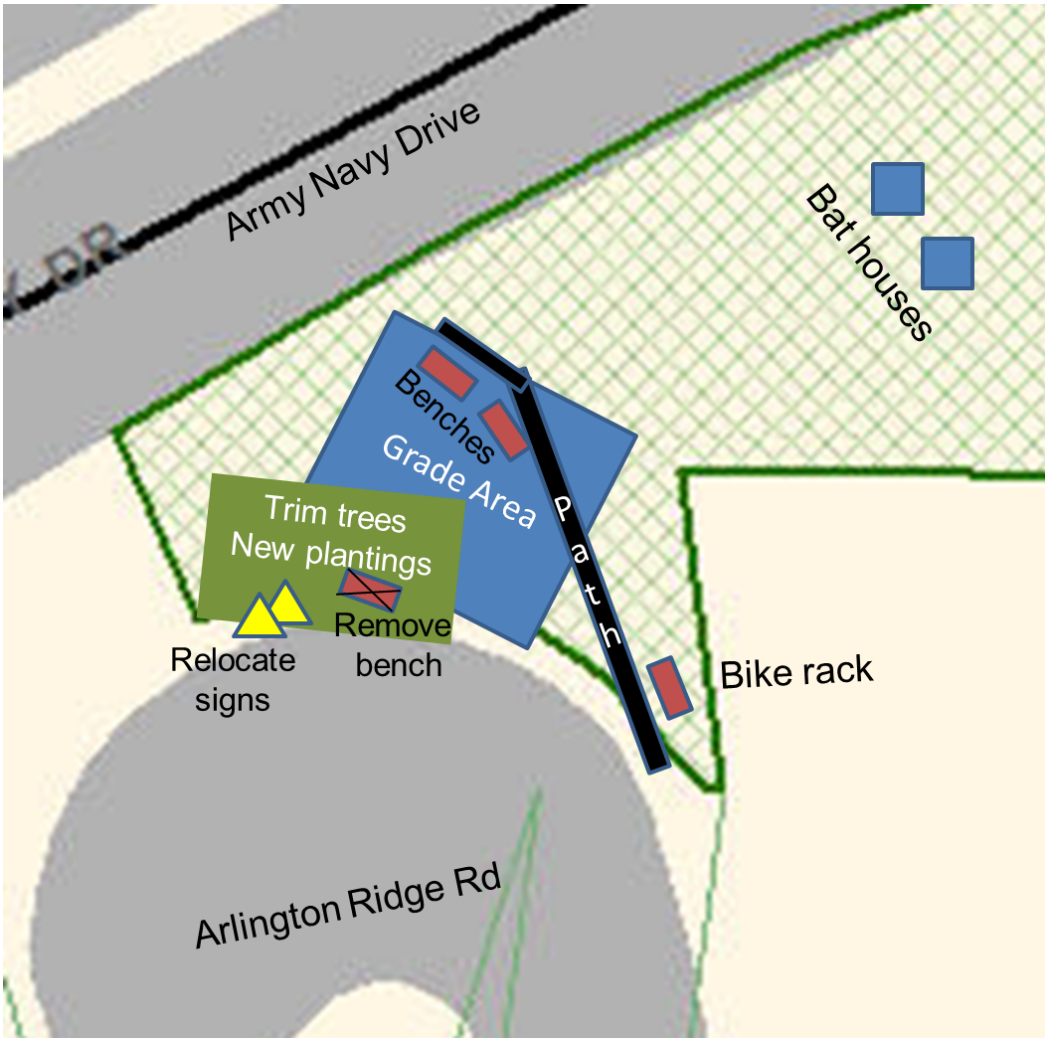
a. **Describe the project and attach a simple sketch and site photos:**

The project makes improvements to Prospect Hill Park to improve safety, increase use, and improve the environment. The project will trim trees to improve views and decrease unlit/unsafe areas, create an ADA-compliant path to new benches, add a bike rack, and make improvements to the landscaping with drought-resistant native plants and bat houses to make the park more attractive and interesting.

Current Park



Future Plans



**b. Purpose/justification for project (e.g., does it fulfill unmet needs, provide improved services, etc):**

The project adds ADA access for the site, provides improved services to the park, and improves safety by increasing sight lines and pedestrian traffic. In recent years, the dark areas of the park have been the site of unsavory activities (drinking, sex, etc); these improvements are aimed at increasing park usage to drive these activities out of our neighborhood park.

**c. Estimate the cost (equipment, installation, shipping, warranty) Include specifications if applicable (e.g. manufacturer's name, catalog number, etc.):**

Quantity	Description	Units	Unit Cost	Subtotal
1	Tree trimming		1000	1500
50	Grading	sq. ft		1000
40	Asphalt Path	sq. yd	60	2400



2	Benches		1500	3000
1	Smoker's pole		1000	1000
2	Sign relocation		500	1000
2	<a href="#">Bat houses</a> (zero maintenance canister)		149	300
2	Bat house installation	hours	4	400
TBD	Native plants			2000
1	Bike rack	rack	500	500
	Remove old bench			500
<i>Subtotal</i>				13,600
10% Contingency				1,360
<i>Grand Total</i>				14,960

**d. Sources of matching funds (if applicable):**

n/a

**e. Sources of donated services, materials, labor (if applicable):**

n/a

**f. Suggestions for maintenance (e.g. adopt-a-park, etc.):**

n/a

**\*\*** If the project is located on Arlington Public School's property, please include a statement from the APS Facility Division approving installation of the equipment on school property and a commitment from APS to maintain the equipment once installed.

**\*\*** If the project is located on private property, please include a statement from the property owner stating willingness to provide a recordable plat and deed of temporary easement to the County for the life the improvements.

**FOR STAFF USE ONLY:**

Commission Member Assigned to the Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Completed Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved Funding Level: \_\_\_\_\_

**Letter of Support – Horizon House**



**Letter of Support – The Representative**

**Letter of Support - ARCA**