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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Dear Town Meeting Members and Candidates,

The Arlington Redevelopment Board (ARB) and Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) invite you to attend an upcoming neighborhood meeting during which the DPCD staff, along with representatives of the ARB, will provide an overview of proposed zoning amendments, the background and process, and the ARB's recommendations, which will be considered by Town Meeting.

These have been scheduled as follows:

- Thursday, March 28, 7:00 PM, at the Peirce School Media Center;
- Wednesday, April 3, 7:00 PM, at the Thompson School Media Center;
- Thursday, April 4, 7:00 PM, at the Hardy School Media Center; and
- Wednesday, April 10, 7:00 PM, at the Brackett School Media Center.

As you may be aware, there are many articles to amend the Zoning Bylaw under consideration by the ARB currently. The zoning amendments cover a broad scope of topics: an overhaul of sign regulations, amendments to encourage multi-family uses and mixed-uses, codifying a review process for certain religious and educational uses that receive protections under state law, creating clear bicycle parking requirements and a consistent review process, and making minor administrative corrections. There are also amendments filed by registered voters of Arlington, including increasing affordable housing requirements, the definition of half story, and the measurement of a driveway slope.

The ARB's fourth and final public hearing will be held on March 25, 2019, beginning at 7:30 PM in the Main Room of the Senior Center, 27 Maple Street. On March 27, 2019, the ARB will deliberate and form its recommendation on each of the articles under consideration during its meeting scheduled to begin at 7:30 PM in the Lyons Hearing Room on the second floor at Town Hall. You can find more information about all of the zoning articles and the public hearing presentations on the ARB's webpage: www.arlingtonma.gov/arb.

We hope to see you at one of the upcoming neighborhood meetings.

Andrew Bunnell
Chair, Arlington Redevelopment Board

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