



# The Lyon Village Bulletin

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## We Need Your Help!

### Plan Lee Hwy Proposals Will Destroy Large Section of Lyon Village

The Lyon Village Citizens' Association (LVCA) wants to ensure you are aware of the current proposals being developed by the Plan Lee Hwy (PLH) team and County staff and the impact these proposals will have on single-family homes in Lyon Village. These proposals would change the General Land Use Plan (GLUP) and zoning for the R6, single-family homes between Lee Hwy., N. Veitch St., 18th St. N., and N. Highland St. **This ultimately will result in the destruction of**

- **75 single-family homes (10% of all single-family homes in Lyon Village)**
- **43 townhomes (50% of all townhomes in Lyon Village)**
- **6 affordable apartment buildings (40% of all affordable apartment buildings in Lyon Village)**
- **As well as the futures of all the families living in them**

Information on the proposals can be found at the following links (links can also be found on our website, [lyonvillage.org](http://lyonvillage.org)). Please note that Lyon Village is in Area 5 (West) in the documents and slides.

<https://projects.arlingtonva.us/plans-studies/land-use/lee-highway/>

[https://projects.arlingtonva.us/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2021/05/6\\_PLH\\_Neighborhood-Area-Concepts\\_Area-1-and-5-1-revised.pdf](https://projects.arlingtonva.us/wp-content/uploads/sites/31/2021/05/6_PLH_Neighborhood-Area-Concepts_Area-1-and-5-1-revised.pdf)

The LVCA fears these proposals will set a precedent that would negatively impact Lyon Village and other neighborhoods in the future. Even though these proposals may not immediately impact your home, it does not mean additional proposals from the County will not impact your home should this precedent be set.

The LVCA strongly opposes these proposals, as is spelled out in our **Position Paper, which can be found on our website, [lyonvillage.org](http://lyonvillage.org)**. The LVCA supports maintaining the current GLUP and zoning, as depicted on the slides that can also be found at [lyonvillage.org](http://lyonvillage.org).

We respectfully request your support in stopping these proposals from going forward to the County Board for approval in October 2021. Please send letters ASAP to the following. Letting them know you oppose the proposals for Lyon Village. We need every Lyon Village resident in every household to speak out and make his/her/their voice heard. Get at least 10 of your Arlington County friends and neighbors to send letters, too.

CountyBoard@arlingtonva.us  
CountyManager@arlingtonva.us  
mdeferranti@arlingtonva.us  
kcristol@arlingtonva.us  
cdorsey@arlingtonva.us  
tkarantonis@arlingtonva.us  
lgarvey@arlingtonva.us  
planleehwy@arlingtonva.us  
nalfonso-ahmed@arlingtonva.us  
eclava@arlingtonva.us  
rlapiana@arlingtonva.us  
paul.alexander.holland@gmail.com  
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Please feel free to contact John Carten, LVCA President, at [gjcarten@verizon.net](mailto:gjcarten@verizon.net), or Loria Porcaro at [loriap@att.net](mailto:loriap@att.net) if you have questions.

Join the Lyon Village listserv to stay up-to-date on this issue: <http://lyonvillage.org/subscribe-to-lvca-emails/>.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

## National Night Out, Tuesday, August 3

On Tuesday evening, August 3rd, Lyon Village is hosting a National Night Out (NNO) Event at the Lyon Village Park from 7:00 to 8:00pm. Bring the whole family. We will have popsicles and ice-cold water for all. Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) officers will be there to connect with the neighborhood. NNO is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our communities safer and improve quality of life. "This annual event is a great opportunity for officers and the Arlington community to come together to strengthen neighborhood spirit and build stronger relationships which are vital to maintaining public safety. "I truly believe we are at our best when we are working collaboratively with the community and hope you will join us on August 3," said Chief Andy Penn. To help with the event, please contact John Carten at [gjcarten@verizon.net](mailto:gjcarten@verizon.net).

## Innovation Elementary School Needs Your Support!

In the fall, Innovation Elementary School will begin classes at the former Key School site with the first class of more than 500 students in grades K-5. Students in the eastern side of Lyon Village will attend Innovation. The school looks forward to a strong partnership with the community to provide students, teachers, and parents with an outstanding program. The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) was established to support the neighborhood school and is looking for help and support from the broader community. The PTA is now actively reaching out to engage with the community for donations, ideas, time, and other support to make sure the school gets off to a great start for the inaugural classes! They are seeking:

- **Banners, Mascot & School Branding Items:** Help make the students feel welcome at our new school by making it their own.
  - **Classroom Library Starters:** Augment our classroom libraries aligned to Arlington's new decodable reader sets tailored for each grade and student level.
  - **Picnic Tables:** We are looking to beautify our grounds and offer kids and our community members more options for outdoor lunch.
  - **Elementary Basketball Hoops:** Help our youngest elementary students get a chance to sink some hoops.
- **Service:** A number of community service projects and initiatives need help. Have a special skill to lend and don't see it listed below? Please let the PTA know!
  - **Grant Writers:** Help us to apply for funding to support our school and provide enhanced programming for our students.
  - **Service Projects:** Help recruit companies in our area to sponsor a day of community service. There are a number of projects for submission. Help get projects submitted to the right place.
  - **Landscape Architect & Community Gardeners:** We are looking for help in planning and beautifying our school grounds for students and the community. We can always use experienced gardeners.
- **Community Connections:** Establishing relationships and partnerships with local businesses and our larger corporate partners within Arlington. If you know of companies willing to partner and provide support, please connect us with the point of contact.
- **Education Program Partnerships:** A long-term goal is establishing connections to science, technology, and engineering companies to provide enhanced educational opportunities for our students. If you can provide guest speakers or coordinating education programs, please let us know.
- **Donations & Fundraising:** The goal is to provide at least \$150 per student during the 2021-2022 school year for field trips, events, and supplies. Any support you can provide is greatly appreciated.

Donations to Innovation Elementary School PTA are tax deductible, as this is a 501(c)(3) organization. Please make your donation payable to: Innovation Elementary School PTA 2300 Key Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201

## Village Market

**Nanny available.** Our amazing nanny is available to begin with a new family starting on September 7. Karina has worked for us since our oldest child was four months old and has become an integral part of our family for six and a half years. She has been instrumental in keeping our kids engaged, organizing playdates, and taking our kids to both activities and school. Karina would love to find a full-time position with a family in the Lyon Village neighborhood. She is a very safe driver with her own car, is fully COVID-19 vaccinated, is wonderful with pets, and is extremely reliable, trustworthy and loving. Please contact [leann@harrier.io](mailto:leann@harrier.io) for additional information!

The *Bulletin* will publish again in September. Please submit items to [adam@ksaplus.com](mailto:adam@ksaplus.com) by Aug. 25.