

News Release

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Rosslyn's Queens Court Apartments Takes

Another Step Toward 249 New Affordable Homes

Arlington, VA (February 27, 2017) – On February 25, 2017, the Arlington County Board approved the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing's (APAH) request to redevelop the Queens Court Apartments, updating an aging 39-unit complex into an EarthCraft-certified building of 249 units. Saturday's County Board action authorizes the change in the General Land Use Plan, Rezoning, and the 4.1 Site Plan.

The current Queens Court property was built in 1941 as three garden style apartment buildings. All 39 units are one-bedroom or studio apartments.

"Redevelopment of this property will expand high quality, energy efficient, affordable housing opportunities in Rosslyn. We are particularly gratified that the community has embraced this project throughout the planning process and look forward to contributing a new, 9,000 square foot public park on APAH-owned land," said Nina Janopaul, APAH's President and CEO.

APAH's Queens Court property is a part of the Western Rosslyn Area Planning Study (WRAPS) planning process which was launched by the Arlington County Board in 2015 and includes the new HB Woodlawn School and new fire station as well as transportation improvements, retail, open space and new residential apartments and condominiums.

With the County Board's action, Queens Court moves on to the next step in the development process. APAH plans to apply for an Affordable Housing Investment Fund Ioan from Arlington County for fiscal year 2018. If approved, APAH anticipates breaking ground on Queens Court in 2019 and delivering these new homes to the Arlington community in 2021.

Information on other components of the WRAPS development plan approved by the County Board on February 25th are detailed in <u>Arlington County's press release</u>.

About APAH

APAH is a nonprofit which develops, preserves, owns, and advocates for quality rental housing that is affordable to low- and moderate-income families and promotes opportunity for residents through partnerships and programs. APAH works exclusively in Arlington County. Founded in 1989, APAH now helps 1300 households live in stable, secure and affordable rental homes.

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