


City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: FEBRUARY 5, 2009

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER 

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS RELATED TO CITIZEN INPUT TO THE
PLANNED BRAC-133 PROJECT AT MARK CENTER

ISSUE: Obtaining community input to the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Project at Mark Center.

RECOMMENDATIONS: That City Council:

- (1) Take no action related to establishing a new BRAC-133 Advisory Group;
- (2) Indicate to the West End Task Force on BRAC-133 that City staff will continue to be available as needed to work with the West End Task Force; and
- (3) Recommend that three persons living in, or representing interests of, the West End of Alexandria be added to the Mayor's Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Work Group.

BACKGROUND: As part of the federal 2005 Base Realignment and Closure process, significant shifts of Department of Defense (DoD) offices from leased space in Alexandria, Arlington County and Fairfax County into more secure space on military installations in the Washington, D.C. region and throughout the country were approved by the federal BRAC Commission and allowed to become law by the President and Congress. In those BRAC recommendations, the City lost some 7,200 direct jobs, as well as stands to lose many related defense contractor and private sector jobs, as that DoD workforce leaves the City.

In 2008 DoD reversed one of those decisions, in deciding in the fall that some 6,400 DoD jobs should be relocated to the Mark Center office campus in Alexandria to a site that the City had approved in 2004 for some 1.4 million square feet of development (titled BRAC-133 by DoD). While the proposed level of BRAC development at Mark Center was very similar to that approved by the City in 2004, the design and layout of that development was substantially different than that contemplated in 2004. Since the announcement this past fall by DoD of the selection of the Mark Center site for this project, City staff have been working with Duke Realty

(project developer) and the Army Corps of Engineers (project manager) to understand the details of the project, as well as to provide numerous recommendations to improve the project's design and transportation elements.

As discussed with Council at its February 2 Legislative Meeting, attempts by the City to get the Army to establish a neighborhood liaison group earlier in the development planning process were not successful. As a result, the Seminary West Civic Association formed a West End Task Force on BRAC-133¹ which has held a number of meetings, developed a list of concerns and questions, and met with City staff, Duke Realty and the Army to discuss those concerns and to answer questions.

As part of the Council process to consider comments on this DoD project to the National Capital Planning Commission, it was initially recommended that a BRAC-133 Advisory Group be created by Council resolution (Attachment I). That Advisory Group, as originally proposed, would have been comprised of the eight representatives of the West End Task Force, as well the West End Business Association (WEBA). On Monday, February 2, staff were informed (Attachment II) that the West End Task Force had decided that they did not support the City creation of an Advisory Group, but wished for the West End Group to continue and to be recognized by Council resolution as the official advisory group, as well as to receive City staff support. At the Council legislative meeting on February 2, Council deferred making a decision on an advisory group until Council's February 10 legislative meeting.

There are five basic options related to providing community input to the BRAC-133 project (design through construction and occupancy), as well as to related transportation issues:

1. The existing West End Task Force on BRAC-133 could continue.
2. Council could create a BRAC-133 Advisory Group.
3. The Army could establish a liaison group with the community.
4. The Army could use its Ft. Belvoir Advisory Group.
5. The community input could be provided by the Mayor's BRAC Work Group.

After considering various models for the BRAC-133 project receiving ongoing input, it is recommended that a two pronged approach be taken to making sure that there is citizen and business community input to this project as it unfolds. First, it is recommended that the West End Task Force on BRAC-133 continue as the primary citizen body, as that Task Force has proposed. City, Duke Realty and Army staff would be available to meet regularly with this West End Task Force, but staff support to the Task Force (such as meeting organization, minutes, scheduling, etc.) would not be provided as the Task Force would not be a City organization. Second, the Mayor's BRAC Work Group, which was created in 2005, would be expanded by three members from West End civic associations and WEBA. When the Mayor's Work Group was created in mid-2005, the Mark Center site DoD BRAC-133 project was not envisioned, so representation was focused on locations where DoD jobs were being lost.

¹ The Task Force membership includes Seminary Park, Seminary Heights, Seminary Hills, Seminary Ridge, Brookville-Seminary Valley, Parkside of Alexandria, Seminary West, and Lincolnia Hills/Heywood Glen.

This Mayor's Work Group has as members the Mayor, Vice-Mayor, City Manager, City and AEDP staff and 11 other civic and business members who represent various interests. By expanding this Work Group to include more West End interests, the group will better reflect the balance of DoD issues relating to BRAC-133. This Work Group is also the advisory body that DoD has formally recognized to advise the City on the application for DoD Office of Economic Adjustment grant funds. This Work Group is not a Council created Work Group but one which functions under the auspices of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership, which staffs this Work Group. As such, Council's action, if it agrees with this option, is to request that this Work Group be expanded. The Mayor, who was formerly the Chair of the AEDP Board, and who continues as the Chair of this Work Group could then make the appointments.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment I: Originally Proposed Advisory Group Resolution

Attachment II: West End Task Force on BRAC-133 Recommendations Related to Establishing an Advisory Group

STAFF:

Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager

Stephanie Landrum, Senior Vice President, Alexandria Economic Development Partnership

RESOLUTION NO _____

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense (DoD) has selected and purchased a building site at the Mark Center as the location to construct a major office building (the “BRAC-133 office building”) for occupancy by the Washington Headquarters Service and other DoD agencies; and

WHEREAS, this BRAC-133 office building will be entail 1,380,000 square feet of office space, house approximately 6,400 employees, and provide approximately 3,900 parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, this proposed BRAC-133 office building while similar in over square footage to the Mark Winkler office buildings the City approved in 2004, the building is substantially different in overall design; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve its transportation goals the DoD is planning, an overall 40% non-single occupancy vehicle (SOV) transportation mode is being planned; and

WHEREAS, the adjacent neighborhoods have an important interest in DoD achieving its 40% non-SOV target; and

WHEREAS, there are other transportation improvements that can potentially mitigate the impact of the transportation impact of the BRAC-133 office project on the nearby neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the creation of an advisory group can create a forum for adjacent neighborhoods to provide input, ideas and recommendations to the City, the Army and to Duke Realty, as well as to serve a communications forum among all parties.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA**

1. There is hereby established a BRAC-133 Advisory Group.
2. This BRAC -133 Advisory Group shall consist 9 to 11 members appointed by the Mayor including 8 representatives nominated by the following groups and civic associations:
 - Lincolnia Hills/Heywood Glen
 - Parkside of Alexandria
 - Seminary Heights
 - Seminary Park
 - Seminary West
 - Brookville-Seminary Valley
 - Seminary Hill
 - West End Business Association (WEBA)

3. The Mayor shall select one to three at-large members.
4. The BRAC-133 Advisory Group shall meet periodically, as it deems necessary, with its meetings open to the public.
5. The Department of Planning and Zoning shall provide the lead coordinating staff support for the BRAC-133 Advisory group with assistance from other City departments, as well as the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership and its BRAC Coordinator.
6. As per the City Code the term of the BRAC-133 Advisory Group shall run for one-year, but can be extended by Council for another year or until the project is completed in September 2011.

ADOPTED: _____

WILLIAM D EUILLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Jackie Henderson, CMC

City Clerk



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Subject Alternative Resolution on Advisory Group

History:  This message has been forwarded.

Mark -- Attached is a draft resolution the West End Neighborhood Task Force on BRAC-133 is proposing as an alternative to the resolution you sent us. I understand that the City Council will defer establishing an advisory group until the February 10 Council meeting. Meanwhile, we welcome your comments.
--Dave



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WHEREAS, the scale and nature of this development has caused great concern in the West End of the City over a variety of transportation, environmental, and quality-of-life issues; and

WHEREAS, the DoD and the developer, Duke Realty, have publicly stated their willingness to coordinate with the community and the City in addressing these concerns; and

WHEREAS, concerned citizens in the City have formed the West End Neighborhood Task Force on BRAC–133 to work toward the resolution of their concerns,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
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1. The City recognizes the West End Neighborhood Task Force on BRAC–133 as the appropriate forum to address community concerns about this development with City Council, City staff, the DoD, and Duke Realty.
2. The Department of Planning and Zoning, in conjunction with Transportation & Environmental Services, shall provide staff support to the Task Force in representing community concerns to the DoD and Duke Realty, and in seeking resolution thereof.
3. The City recognizes that the value of addressing community concerns on the impacts of this development will endure well past the opening of this facility.
4. The City seeks to work closely with the Task Force, the DoD, and Duke Realty to ensure that DoD meets the targets for reduction of traffic.

ADOPTED: _____, 2009

WILLIAM D EUILLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BROOKVILLE-SEMINARY VALLEY CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

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February 10, 2009

Mayor William D. Euille and Members of City Council
City Hall – 301 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Re: Comments on Docket Item No. 19 (Citizen Input Concerning the BRAC-133 Project)

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of City Council:

The Board of Directors of Brookville-Seminary Valley Civic Association, Inc. (“BSVCA”) respectfully submits these comments to the City Council (the “Council”) for its consideration in deliberating on Docket Item No. 19, which relates to ways in which citizen input can be provided regarding the planned relocation of various U.S. Department of Defense (“DoD”) entities to Mark Center under the Base Realignment and Closure (“BRAC”) process (“BRAC-133 Project”). As discussed below, we request that the Council establish a vehicle through which all key stakeholders involved in the BRAC-133 Project will have representation, including the City, the DoD, Duke Realty, and the groups in the West End impacted by the BRAC-133 Project, and such a vehicle could be established by creating a new BRAC/Mark Center Advisory Group (“Advisory Group”) or by reconstituting the Mayor’s BRAC Work Group.

The BSVCA, which is comprised of individuals from several hundred households in the Brookville-Seminary Valley area, is a non-profit organization that seeks to promote the best interests of Alexandrians with a particular focus on those living in the West End. Given the close proximity of Brookville-Seminary Valley to Mark Center, the BRAC-133 Project is of great interest to the BSVCA.

We believe that it is necessary and beneficial for there to be a body on which all key stakeholders involved in the BRAC-133 Project will have representation, including the City, the DoD, Duke Realty, and the groups in the West End impacted by the BRAC-133 Project. The Council could establish such a group by creating a new Advisory Group, and a possible resolution that could be used to do so is attached as Exhibit 1. Alternatively, the Council could form such a body by voting to recommend that the Mayor’s BRAC Work Group be reconstituted to include representatives of all of the key stakeholders. Forming such a group by either method would ensure that all of the key stakeholders would have a voice and would feel that they were all working together to develop mutually beneficial solutions to issues of concern to all parties (*e.g.*, transportation and traffic mitigation strategies). If such a group were formed, the West End Task Force could certainly continue to meet and could likely provide many useful recommendations to the group.

Your consideration of our comments is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding our comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at geoff.goodale@bsvca.net or (703) 618-6640.

Respectfully submitted,



Geoffrey M. Goodale
President, Brookville-Seminary Valley Civic Association, Inc.

EXHIBIT 1

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3. In addition, the Mayor shall appoint one representative of the DoD, one representative of Duke Realty, one member of the Alexandria Planning

Commission, one member of the Alexandria Transportation Commission, and one to two at-large members.

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Since the issuance of the February 5 docket item concerning the citizen input process to the BRAC-133 office building at Mark Center, the Seminary Hill Association has written the City (Attachment I) to indicate that their civic association is not a member of the West End Task Force on BRAC-133 and, therefore, the membership list on the bottom of page two is incorrect because it lists their association. A subsequent explanation of the situation was sent yesterday by the Chair of the West End Task Force (Attachment II). The membership information compiled for the City's docket item came from the Chair of the West End Task Force (Attachment III) and was carefully checked with him before the docket item was written. It appears that while the West End Task Force has treated Seminary Hill a member, Seminary Hill does not consider themselves a member of the West End Task Force, but have attended meetings and actively participated in discussions.

Yesterday, Councilman Lovain requested a copy of the current membership roster of the Mayor's Work Group on BRAC -133 which you will find as Attachment IV.

Attachments:

- Attachment I: Email from Joanne Lepanto (2/9/09)
- Attachment II: Email from Dave Dexter (2/9/09)
- Attachment III: E-mail from Dave Dexter (2/2/09)
- Attachment IV: Mayor's BRAC Work Group Membership Roster

Staff: Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager



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Subject RE: FW: Docket memo re options for citizen input on
 BRAC-133 project

Hello Mark,

The Seminary Hill Association, Inc. was invited to join the West End Task Force, and two of our Board members (Nancy Jennings and I) have attended three of their meetings. However, the Seminary Hill Board decided not to join this group. We requested that Seminary Hill's name be removed from their January 9, 2009 letter to the Mayor and City Council, et.al., and we did not participate in their vote on their proposed alternate resolution. At the January 28th meeting of the Federation of Civic Associations, at which Dave Dexter was present, I clearly stated to all present that Seminary Hill was not a member of the West End Task Force.

Earlier today I sent the attached e-mail to Jim Hartmann stating that Seminary Hill is not a member of the Task Force, and I copied the Mayor and Councilmembers.

Thank you in advance for sending future information to Nancy and me.

Best regards,
 Joanne

-----Original Message-----

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 Subject: Re: FW: Docket memo re options for citizen input on BRAC-133
 project

Joanne:

I can send you all the same information, but you should know that Dave Dexter had told us that Seminary Hills was a member of the West End Task Force. I went over the list several times, the last being when I finalized the docket item. Is it that Seminary Hills has not been invited to be a member, or is it that Seminary Hills does not wish to be a member - which is understandable given that interests on issues such as I-395 HOV access likely differ.

We will make sure that Council knows before Tuesday night. I will send you and Nancy any materials when I send them to Dave.

Mark



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02/09/2009 11:02 PM

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Subject: West End Task Force Membership

I am sorry if there is some confusion as to which civic associations are viewed as members of the West End Task Force on BRAC-133. Here's a little history. After the BRAC briefing on December 4, 2008, members of the Seminary West Civic Association formed a small task force to identify issues that would result from the decision to locate BRAC-133 at Mark Center. We contacted other neighboring civic associations (using a list of associations Mark had provided us) to see if they wanted to join in the discussions. Ultimately eight associations (Seminary Heights, Seminary Hill, Seminary Park, Seminary Ridge, Seminary West, Brookville/Seminary Valley, Parkside of Alexandria and Lincolnia Hills/Heywood Glen) sent representatives to the three meetings that were held to date. We contacted other neighboring associations (e.g., Beaugard Heights, Beaugard Manor) but they did not respond.

When the Task Force drafted a January 9 letter to the City and other parties, representatives from Brookville/Seminary Valley and Seminary Hill indicated that their Boards of Directors had not had an opportunity to meet and discuss the letter and therefore the names of those two associations were not included in the letter.

I believe the Task Force is inclusive and welcomes representation from associations throughout the West End, irrespective of their views on the development at Mark Center. At the same time, there is certainly no obligation to be associated with the Task Force. What is important here is for the community to work together to make the BRAC-133 project the best that it can be for the West End and the City as a whole.



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Subject Re: BRAC-133 / Mark Center

I think we covered this in our phone conversation this afternoon but let me clarify the situation. There are representatives from eight civic associations on the task force. The associations are Seminary Heights, Seminary Hill, Seminary Park, Seminary Ridge, Seminary West, Brookville/Seminary Valley, Lincolnia Hills/Heywood Glen, and Parkside of Alexandria. Six members of Seminary West formed the task force and invitations to join the task force were extended to other associations. Seven associations accepted the invitation and agreed to have one or two representatives on the task force. Southern Towers does not have a civic association and I understand it also does not have a renters association and it is currently not a member of the task force. I hope this helps.

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> Subject: Fw: BRAC-133 / Mark Center

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> I have been asked who exactly comprises the membership of your Task Force?
> Is it the civic groups list below (with the exception of Southern Towers)?
> Are Seminary Hills and Brookville-Seminary members? Is there a set number
> of members from each association who are members of the Task Force? Having
> that information will help Council deal with the request that the Task
> Force be the official body dealing with this set of issues.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2322

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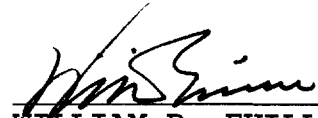
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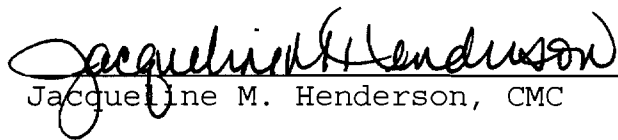
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ADOPTED: February 10, 2009



WILLIAM D. EULLE MAYOR

ATTEST:



Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk

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BRAC-133 COMMUNITY MEETING OUTCOME - 02/24/2009

We had 40-50 neighbors
from Lincolnia Hills/Heywood Glen, Beauregard Heights, Beauregard Manor and
Seminary Valley communities who attended our community update last night.
I have provided the list of issues/concerns discussed below.

The LH/HG
Civic Association is planning an association meeting on Wednesday, March
25th at 7:30 pm at the Lincolnia Senior Center on North Chambliss St. and
would like to invite available officials to talk to our neighbors. We
anticipate discussion between 7:30-8:30 pm, prior to the business meeting.

Please feel free to contact Alex Sinaiko or Julie Edelson if you have
any additional questions.

Thank you!

Issues/Concerns Voiced:

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Concern over plan for triple left/double left turn lane traffic design

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Where are workers coming from? Obtain zip codes to understand traffic flow into area.

- Encroachment parking in neighborhoods? Employees parking in

nearby neighborhood streets and using area shuttle to avoid garage

access/parking? Ability for neighborhoods to obtain permit parking under

Comments:

different criteria than previous?

- Express bus service from the south

planned?

- Heliport planned? Neighbors reporting increased helicopter

traffic

- Limit access to neighborhood streets for cut through traffic

during specific commuter times?

- Need to engage Fairfax County regions

bordering Alexandria West End in community concerns

- Army's efforts to

facilitate non-SOV commuting: Obtain present # of employees carpooling who

are designated for this site, inquire about flexible schedules,

telecommuting plans, telework centers, fare subsidies planned, if employees

are unionized.

- Verify Army/DoD efforts to contact DASH and coordinate

transportation plan

- Inquire about Metro bus plans. Presently, 7F and 7X

buses travel N. Morgan Street though only 7F goes into Mark Center.

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Walking/shuttle access to local restaurants versus mostly driving access at

present.

- Additional impact of IDA expansion

- Consideration of passive

filtration system to "clean" fluid run-off (car fluids) from non-permeable

surfaces that may drain into the nature preserve.