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Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)

The presentation highlighted DPR’s “Parks, Places, and Programs” on the Pike. Featuring Columbia Pike projects, facilities, pickleball, the updated Alcohol Policy, and current and future programs.

**Parks**
The Parks section will give a high-level overview of Columbia Pike projects that have been recently completed are in progress or upcoming. The section will also include the recently adopted amendment to Section 17-2 of the County Code pertaining to Alcohol in the Parks.

**Places**
Places will feature the three community centers located on and adjacent to the Pike: Arlington Mill, Carver, and Walter Reed. Include will be an update on when the facilities became fully operational, drop-in hours and organized sports. It will also include “Pickleball on the Pike” discussing the recent public engagement and other pickleball locations and opportunities.

**Programs**
The Programs section will highlight DPR’s journey to normalcy through virtual and outdoor programs and take-home kits. It will feature programming for Youth, Teens & Families, 55+, and Nature and spotlight some 2022 programs, initiatives, and events, as well as a review of a few upcoming 2023 programs.

Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development (CPHD)

CPHD-Planning covered the latest available information on active development projects along the corridor, including updates on Arlington Public Schools’ future plans for the Career Center Campus.

CPHD-Housing provided an update on the 2021 Barcroft apartments acquisition by Jair Lynch Real Estate Partners and the Master Financing and Development Plan JLREP submitted in 2022. The MFDP outlines JLREP’s vision for maintaining 1,334 committed affordable units in a vibrant, mixed-income, mixed-use community.

CPHD-Housing also shared the latest overview of rental and ownership trends along the Pike.

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