

RCA Newsletter: December 2024

About The Rosemont Citizens Association

The Rosemont Citizens Association is a 100% volunteer-run organization working to promote the interests and welfare of its members.

Everyone who resides or owns a property in Rosemont is automatically a member; we rely on contributions from citizens like you to sustain our mission and operations.

Contributions to RCA, a 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization, are not tax deductible.

Please consider a gift to the RCA today!

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5th Annual RCA Holiday Decorating Contest

Congratulations to the winners of the RCA's fifth annual holiday decorating contest – 11 West Glendale (1st), 217 East Luray (2nd), and 200 East Luray (3rd).



PELT Committee Update

What is going on with that vacant lot across from the Braddock Road Metro Station?

The project (known as DSUP 2020 – 10027) was approved by City Council in 2021. This approval is valid through July 2025, unless extended by Council. The approval allows for the construction of one hundred eighty (180) multifamily units plus ground floor retail in a seven (7) story building on the approximately one-acre parcel. A picture of the proposed building appears below.

The developer was issued a demolition permit, which they used to raze the single-family structures, and the site is currently stabilized. The Final Engineering Site Plan (FSP) is being reviewed by Alexandria's Planning and Zoning office. Once the FSP is approved and performance bonds are posted, the developer may proceed with construction. Once construction begins, experience tells us it will take 20 months to complete.

It is our understanding that the developer is awaiting a more favorable lending and investment environment to proceed with mobilization. Other development projects in and around Alexandria are in a similar situation. The PELT Committee will monitor this project throughout 2025 and pass along any updates.

 $To see \ more \ details \ on \ this \ project, \ go \ to \ https://media.alexandriava.gov/docs-archives/planning/info/masterplan/mpa202000008.pdf$



Rosemont Traffic

At its December 9 meeting, the Alexandria Traffic & Parking Board approved the installation of stop signs and crosswalks at the intersections of Marstellar Street with both East Oak and East Walnut. The stop signs should installed next month; the crosswalks are expected to be painted in the spring. For more information, please visit: https://www.alexandriava.gov/sites/default/files/2024-12/trafficparkingboarddocketdecember2024.pdf#page=7.



Resources from Alexandria Sheriff's Office

The Alexandria Sheriff's office offers a house-watching service (https://www.alexandriava.gov/sheriff/away-from-home-check). Additionally, the Sheriff continue to offer "Project Lifesaver" to help track adults and children with special needs (https://www.alexandriava.gov/sheriff/project-lifesaver) and will offer another edition of its "academy" introducing community members to its operations in March 2025 (https://www.alexandriava.gov/academies/sheriffs-community-academy).



Next RCA Meeting: January 15, 2025

Please plan to join us for the next general meeting of the Rosemont Citizens Association, on Wednesday, January 15, 7pm, at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at 100 West Luray Avenue. Our agenda includes a presentation by Jamie Conrad about proposals that the City restrict the use of gas-powered leaf blowers as well as an update by Michael Razak, the City's Marcus Alert Coordinator (to provide assistance in response to behavioral health crises). We hope to see you there!



Keeping Informed

We provide regular updates on local news, Rosemont history, and general happenings in the neighborhood.

- Sign Up for RCA Monthly Updates
- Threads Twitter/X

- Rosemont Group (Independent community email list)

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