



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

### County Board Agenda Item Meeting of April 22, 2006

**DATE:** April 5, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to the ordinance on precincts and polling places to relocate the polling place for voting for the Clarendon Precinct to Central Library Auditorium.

#### **C. M. RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the proposed amendment to the ordinance on precincts and polling places, changing the polling place for the Clarendon Precinct to Central Library, 1015 North Quincy Street.

**ISSUE:** None.

**SUMMARY:** The polling place for the Clarendon Precinct, Washington-Lee High School, is unavailable for voting because of construction at the school, and will need to be relocated for all elections held during the construction period.

**DISCUSSION:** The General Registrar and the Arlington County Electoral Board recommend the following change to the County ordinance, attached in part, establishing precinct boundaries and polling places. The proposed change will take effect with the June 13, 2006 primary election, pending final approval from the U.S. Department of Justice. Virginia law requires that polling places and precincts be established by County ordinance.

Washington-Lee High School, 1300 N. Quincy Street, is the permanent polling place location established for the Clarendon Precinct (014). The school is currently undergoing a construction project that will not be complete until late 2009, and it will not be available for use as a polling place during the construction period. The General Registrar and Electoral Board recommend the County Board move the polling place to Central Library Auditorium temporarily while Washington-Lee High School, is undergoing construction.

Central Library is the permanent polling location for the Virginia Square Precinct (040). The auditorium is of sufficient size to host both precincts, although the Electoral Board intends to seek an alternative location for one of the two precincts prior to the 2008 presidential election. Clarendon voters will be mailed new voter information cards prior to the June 13 primary, advising them of the precinct change. Signs will be erected at Washington-Lee School directing voters to Central Library, and signs will be erected at Central Library to provide clear direction

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County Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff: Donna Patterson, Deputy Registrar

for voters from both precincts for all elections that take place during the relocation period.

**ORDINANCE**

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BOUNDARIES OF VOTING PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACE LOCATIONS**

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Board of Arlington, Virginia, that:

1. Pursuant to Chapter 3, Article 3 of Title 24.2, Elections, of the Code of Virginia, the boundaries of voter election precincts and polling place locations, are as follows:

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**014**

**CLARENDON PRECINCT**

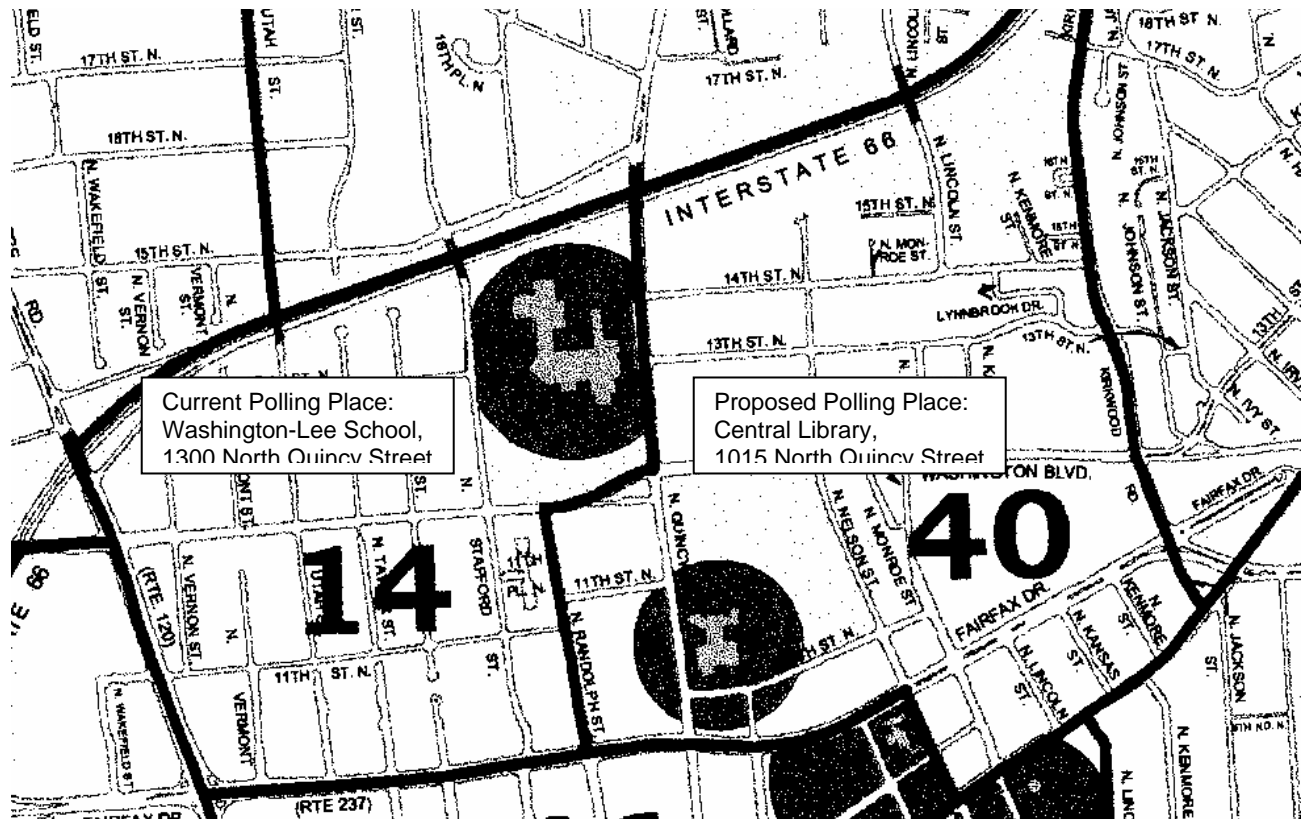
Beginning at the intersection of the centerlines of I-66 and North Glebe Road; thence in an easterly direction with the centerline of I-66 to its intersection with the centerline of North Quincy Street; thence in a southerly direction with the centerline of North Quincy Street to its intersection with the centerline of Washington Boulevard; thence in a westerly direction with the centerline of Washington Boulevard to its intersection with the centerline of North Randolph Street; thence in a southerly direction with the centerline of North Randolph Street to its intersection with the centerline of Fairfax Drive; thence in a westerly direction with the centerline of Fairfax Drive to its intersection with the centerline of North Glebe Road; thence in a northerly direction with the centerline of North Glebe Road to its intersection with the centerline of I-66, the point of beginning.

The polling place is ~~Washington Lee High School, 1300 North Quincy Street~~ Central Library Auditorium, 1015 North Quincy Street.

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All other precincts and polling places shall remain as previously established by ordinance.

### Proposed Clarendon Precinct Polling Place Change



Washington-Lee High School, the current polling place for the Clarendon Precinct (014) is currently undergoing renovations that will not be complete until late 2009. The proposed change is to move the polling place to Central Library, 1015 North Quincy Street. Central Library is the polling place for the Virginia Square Precinct. The auditorium is of adequate size to accommodate both precincts. We expect to move the Clarendon Precinct back to Washington-Lee School once construction is complete.