



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item  
Meeting of July 8, 2006  
Recessed Meeting of July 11, 2006**

**DATE:** July 11, 2006

- SUBJECT:** A) Adoption of an ordinance designating the buildings, open space, trees, landscaping and other structures and features located within the property of Buckingham Villages 1, 2 and 3 as locally designated Historic Landmarks.
- B) Request to Advertise a public hearing to consider adoption of an expanded existing local ordinance by designating the buildings, open space, trees, landscaping and other structures and features located within the property of Buckingham Villages 1, 2 and 3 into the Buckingham Historic District (Z-2407-92-HD).

**C.M. RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) Defer the adoption of an ordinance designating the buildings, open space, trees, landscaping and other structures and features located within the property of Buckingham Villages 1, 2 and 3 as locally designated Historic Landmarks until such time as the County Board directs the County Manager to schedule it for action.
- 2) Defer the advertisement of a public hearing to consider adoption of an expanded existing local ordinance by designating the buildings, open space, trees, landscaping and other structures and features located within the property of Buckingham Villages 1, 2 and 3 into the Buckingham Historic District until such time as the County Board directs the County Manager to schedule to advertise it for action.

**DISCUSSION:** The Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board (HALRB), at its April 19, 2006 meeting, voted to initiate procedures to recommend to the County Board an extension of the existing locally designated Buckingham Historic District to include Villages 1, 2 and 3. The County Board also initiated the "landmark" process at their May 20, 2006 County Board meeting. Since then, the County and the community have engaged Paradigm to come up with a better plan to meet multiple community goals and objectives for the preservation of Buckingham. As a result to this process, a Memorandum of Understanding with Paradigm Development Corporation, the subject of a separate report, has been developed and is being presented to the County Board for approval. The Memorandum of Understanding lays out the process that would facilitate the preservation of the Buckingham community by securing committed affordable housing and the preservation of a significant part of the structures and grounds. Therefore, it is recommended that the County Board defer the adoption of an ordinance designating Buckingham

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Villages 1, 2 and 3 as Local Historic Landmarks and defer the advertisement of a public hearing to consider adoption of an expansion of the Buckingham Historic District to include Villages 1, 2 and 3, until such time as the County Board directs the County Manager to schedule these items for action.