



**To:** Rosedale and Arlington residents

**From:** Virginia-Highland Civic Assoc. – Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Steering Committee

**Re:** Meeting Notes from NC-Office Meeting on We Wednesday, February 13th at 7:00 PM

Thank you for those who attended. As promised, here are notes. Please feel free to distribute. Contact me with questions:

- Approximately 15 residents participated in meeting
- Meeting began with a recap on where we are with NC, timeline, commitment to achieve 50% property-owner support and recap of general concerns/desires of property owners based on our earlier discussions with them.
- NC-Office would include the apartment next to Dish and the two multi-family properties next to CVS. These are the only properties in the immediate vicinity of Arlington and Rosedale area that would be affected.
- Although NC-Office would also include areas behind Atkins Park Restaurant, this meeting focused primarily on properties adjacent to Rosedale and Arlinting
- Concern about vacant areas at night that are attractive to barhoppers for creating mischief
- Group was supportive of creating a more vibrant daytime crowds in the AP area that will frequent businesses. Increase focus on shopping versus barhopping.
- Live-work zoning for NC-Office strongly encouraged by participants. Recommend at least 20% and preferably 40% residential mixed in with office for these properties.
- Desire to see office on first floor and residential above all while conforming to NC standards that push buildings closer to street and promote pedestrian-friendly area.
- If objective is to support businesses then number of residents living on these parcels should not be reduced. Essentially we want same residential density, but office on ground-level added to support daytime use.
- Desire to see only smaller businesses (i.e. not a large call-center operation for example). High-end professional offices (legal, architecture, etc.) seem particularly attractive.
- Discussion ended with a recap of ideas expressed. Outcome was that participants seemed very supportive of the idea of NC-Office with a residential component within the overall NC effort for these properties.

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