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Alexandria, VA 22304

January 19, 2012

Dr. Morton Sherman, Superintendent
Chairperson, Alexandria School Board
2000 N. Beauregard Street
Alexandria, VA 22311

Dear Dr. Sherman:

Seminary Hill Association, Inc. (SHA), seeks clarification on behalf of its members and the residents of Varsity Park about a decision made by the Alexandria School Board on January 12, 2012 regarding the upper athletic field at Hammond Middle School. AlexandriaNews.org reported on January 13, 2012 that the Alexandria School Board had approved:

- The "Hammond Field Construction Project,"
- The "award of a contract to artificially turf the field, construct a track and improve storm-water management on the site," and
- That "work on the field will begin on February 1," and
- That "no lights will be installed at this time."

SHA has reviewed the materials forwarded to the School Board regarding this matter and wants to understand what has been approved and what may be constructed on this site. Specifically:

1. What has been approved for construction?
2. Will the existing field be resurfaced with artificial turf or will an expanded field be constructed?
3. Will the existing storm-water detention facility be modified and if so how?
4. Will the bus lane be moved?
5. What does the phrase "no lights will be installed at this time" mean? Does ACPS plan to install electrical conduits supporting stadium lights without an approved SUP? Does it plan to withdraw the SUP application?

Immediate clarification on the five questions above is requested.

Sincerely yours,



Nancy R. Jennings, President
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