YIMBYS OF NOVA

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Members of the Alexandria Planning Commission,

As the Alexandria leadership team for YIMBYs of Northern Virginia, we are excited to see three significant housing developments on today's docket, in addition to one subdivision, and we ask you to vote yes on all of them. Together, these developments will add 107 desperately needed new homes to Alexandria.

Docket item 2, the Upland Park extension, will add 92 townhouses to Alexandria West. This development also has significant benefits to its neighbors, with a new public park, a traffic signal at Fairbanks Avenue, and a new bike/pedestrian path along Seminary Road.

Docket item 6, the Duke & Quaker townhouses, will add eleven new homes, including one much-needed committed affordable home suitable for a large family, to an unbuilt commercial lot along Duke Street. The development will also significantly benefit the entire city by dedicating land for the Duke Street Transitway.

Docket item 7, 806 North Columbus Street, will develop a surface parking lot into three homes. It will also benefit neighbors by improving the sidewalk and adding a street tree. Small townhouse developments like this one and Duke & Quaker are a great way to add more homes to Alexandria, and we hope you'll consider how we might allow more of them, including in low-density residential zones.

We hope Alexandria will continue to welcome new homes of all types, all price points, and in all parts of our city to address our regional housing crisis and make our city better for everyone.

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