Ms. Mahon and other Select Board members,
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> I wanted to let the Board know some details about the Rainbow Commission's plans for celebrating Pride Month in Arlington. We're thrilled to be hosting the town's first Pride Stage for Porchfest on June 8 from 12-2 pm followed by a Pride afternoon on June 9, both at the Senior Center.
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> Someone from the Commission plans to attend the June 3 Select Board meeting for the reading of the Pride Proclamation and to announce the final details for Pride Month. But we'd appreciate the Select Board taking a vote on the plans for decorating Town Hall at the May 20 meeting, if possible.
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> We're asking for the Board's permission to decorate the same way as last year:
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> Pride flags on the facade of Town Hall
> Nighttime rainbow light display on Town Hall
> Rainbow stripes in temporary paint between the white stripes of the Mass Ave crosswalk in front of Town Hall, in a way that does not interfere with safety
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> Police Chief Flaherty has already agreed to assign traffic control officers for the crosswalk painting, which we expect would happen in the late evening May 31 or June 1, weather permitting.
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> We welcome input from the Board and the wider community about other ways Arlington can celebrate Pride this year or in the future. Our Pride subcommittee meeting will be May 23 at 7:30 pm at the Arlington Senior Center on the second floor. Our next regular monthly meeting is May 16 at 6:30 pm in the Robbins Library fourth floor conference room.
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> Thanks,
> Mel Goldsipe
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