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## **AROUND THE REGION**

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111-unit project in which 45 units are vacant and boarded up.

Angus Olson, executive director of the authority, said the units will be improved, inside and out, to bring the project "more in line with Old Town," an area dominated by expensive old homes. Olson also announced that the project's name has been changed to the Hopkins-Tancil Courts.

Council members also criticized broken outside benches and run-down conditions at the neighboring 166-unit Samuel Madden housing project. Housing authority members said they lacked money to make improvements there.

### **Alexandria Housing Plan**

The Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority told the City Council last night it plans to begin in April a \$2 million renovation of the dilapidated George Parker public housing project in Old Town.

Council members, who called for last night's special work session with the authority, have frequently complained about the appearance of the