

January 24, 2020

A Message from Kathy Smith

There are two upcoming Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) meetings in the next few weeks regarding transportation projects in the Sully District.

VDOT will hold a public information meeting on the Route 50 STARS Safety and Operational Improvements Study on Thursday, January 30, 2020 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Brookfield Elementary School. At this meeting you will learn about the STARS (Strategically Targeted Affordable Roadway Solutions) study assessing potential safety and operational improvements for two miles of Route 50 between Route 28 and Stringfellow Road.

The second VDOT public information meeting will take place on Thursday, February 13, 2020 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Westfield High School in the Lecture Hall. At this meeting you will find out about a study assessing potential safety and operational improvements at the intersection of Braddock Road and Old Lee Road, and the S-curve on Braddock Road just west of Old Lee Road. More information about both of these meetings is below.

Sincerely,

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Reminders!

2020 Fairfax County Cable Television Survey:

Fairfax County is interested in your thoughts and opinions regarding cable television services within our community. Please provide your feedback, as part of the cable TV franchise renewal process. Your responses will be kept strictly confidential. All data and reports will include aggregated data, only, not data for any specific respondent. Furthermore, this information will not be used for any marketing or solicitation. Click here to take the survey! The survey will close on January 31, 2020.

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<u>Sully District Police Station - Valentine's Day Sock Drive:</u>

The Sully District Police Station is hosting a Sock Drive for Fairfax County students in need. **Accepting donations until Monday, February 10, 2020. NEW** socks can be dropped off or mailed to: Fairfax County Police Department, Sully Station c/o PFC Hawkins, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151. The donation box is located in the lobby of the Sully District Station. For questions, contact PFC Meg Hawkins at 703-814-7100 or by email at megan.hawkins@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Coats for Kids - CSB Coat Drive:

The Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board (CSB) Youth & Family Outpatient staff are holding a coat drive to benefit CSB clients and the community. Bring new or gently used coats, hats, scarves, and gloves to CSB's Chantilly Office (14150 Parkeast Circle, Suite 200, Chantilly, VA 20151) now through February 28, 2020. For more information, click here.

Important Dates for the March 3, 2020 Democratic Presidential Primary Election:

- Now until Saturday, February 29, 2020 Absentee voting begins.
- Now until Saturday, February 29, 2020 In-person absentee voting is available at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) in Conference Rooms 2/3. Click here to view voting hours.
- Monday, February 10, 2020 Voter registration deadline. In-person/by mail: 5:00 p.m.; online: 11:59 p.m.
- **Saturday, February 22, 2020 -** In-person absentee satellite locations open, including the Sully Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151
- **Tuesday, February 25, 2020** Deadline to apply to receive an Absentee Ballot by mail, fax, and online: 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, February 29, 2020 Deadline for in-person absentee voting: 5:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 3, 2020 2020 Democratic Party Presidential Primary Election Day. Polls are open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. On Election Day you vote at your polling place. Absentee Ballot return deadline: 7:00 p.m.

For more information about the 2020 Democratic Presidential Primary Election, click here.

VDOT: Public Information Meeting on the Route 50 STARS Safety & Operational Improvements Study



Thursday, January 30, 2020 (Inclement weather date: March 12, 2020) 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Brookfield Elementary School (4200 Lees Corner Road, Chantilly, VA 20151)

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Find out about a STARS (Strategically Targeted Affordable Roadway Solutions) study assessing potential safety and operational improvements for two miles of Route 50 (Lee Jackson Memorial Highway) between Route 28 (Sully Road) and Stringfellow Road (Route 645). The concepts being studied include improving traffic signal timing and operations, adding or extending turn lanes, access management for properties along the corridor, and innovation intersection improvements.

Stop by between 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. to view displays and learn more about the study. **A presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.** Study staff will be available to answer your questions.

Review project information at the <u>VDOT project website</u>, at the information meeting, or during business hours at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office (4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030). Call 703-259-2239 (TTY 711) to ensure appropriate personnel are available to answer your questions.

As part of this study, we request your input by taking an <u>online survey</u>* via the study webpage. You may also give comments at the meeting or **submit them by February 10**, **2020**** to Mr. Andrew Beacher, P.E., Virginia Department of Transportation, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030.

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT Civil Rights at 703-259-1775.

- *Please note the survey will not be available until the day of the meeting on Thursday, January 30, 2020.
- **My office was received word from VDOT on January 22 after this press release was sent out that the survey will be open until February 18, 2020.

VDOT: Public Information Meeting on Braddock Road and Old Lee Road Safety and Operational Improvements Study



Thursday, February 13, 2020 (Inclement weather date: Thursday, February 20, 2020) **6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

Westfield High School in the Lecture Hall (4700 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151)

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Find out about a study assessing potential safety and operational improvements at the intersection of Braddock Road (Route 620) and Old Lee Road, and the S-curve on Braddock Road just west of Old Lee Road. The concepts being studied include realignment of the S-curve and intersection enhancements at Braddock Road and Old Lee Road such as turn lanes and innovative intersection improvements.

Stop by between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. to view displays and learn more about the study. **A presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.** Study staff will be available to answer your questions.

Review project information at the <u>VDOT project website</u>, at the information meeting, or during business hours at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office (4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030). Call 703-259-2239 (TTY 711) to ensure appropriate personnel are available to answer your questions.

Give your written comments at the meeting, **or submit them by February 24, 2020** to Mr. Andrew Beacher, P.E., Virginia Department of Transportation, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030 or send an email to meetingcomments@VDOT.virginia.gov. Please reference "Braddock Road and Old Lee Road Safety and Operational Improvements Study" in the subject line.

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2020 Dog License and Renewal Due January 31, 2020



All dogs four months and older must be licensed, and the deadline to get a dog license, or renew one, is **Friday**, **January 31**, **2020**. The license fee is \$10 per dog and is good for one year (excluding service dogs, which receive licenses free of charge). After we receive your information and fee, you will be mailed a license tag for your dog's collar.

Renewing a Dog License:

If you are renewing your dog license, you should have received a **renewal notice in the mail in November** from the <u>Department of Tax Administration</u> (DTA).

On the notice is your registration number and previous license number. You will need that information to <u>renew your license and pay online</u>. If you do not have that information on hand, contact DTA at 703-222-8234 (TTY 711) or by email at <u>dtadog@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.

Please note: **There is a service fee of 65 cents**, which is a charge imposed by the county's e-commerce vendor, for processing all electronic dog tag transactions, including e-checks.

Congrats on Your New Dog! Here's What to Do:

- By Mail Send a completed copy of the <u>Dog License Application</u>, a check for \$10 payable to the County of Fairfax, and a current certificate of rabies vaccination to the County of Fairfax, Department of Tax Administration, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 223, Fairfax, VA 22035.
- In Person Bring a completed copy of the <u>Dog License Application</u>, a check for \$10 payable to the County of Fairfax, and a current certificate of rabies vaccination, to one of the following locations: The <u>Department of Tax Administration</u> (12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 223, Fairfax, VA 22035): Weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The <u>Animal Shelter</u> (4500 West Ox Road, Fairfax, VA) Tuesday through Friday from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., or Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

No Longer Own a Dog?:

Please let us know if you no longer own your licensed dog, if it passed away, or is living outside the county. You can do so <u>online</u>. You will need your registration number and previous license number that was sent to you in November. If you do not have that information, contact the DTA at 703-222-8234 (TTY 711) or by email at dtadog@fairfaxcounty.gov.

To read the full article, click here.

Human Services Council Community Engagement Sessions



Tuesday, February 4, 2020 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Ox Hill Baptist Church (4101 Elmwood Street, Chantilly, VA 20151)

The Fairfax County <u>Human Services Council</u> is committed to receiving feedback and input from diverse and representative community members.

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Through Community Engagement Sessions, the Human Services Council is able to gather information to inform the Fairfax County Executive and Elected Leaders about the strengths and opportunities in the county's Housing, Health, and Human Services' Organization.

The community engagement session in the Sully District is on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Ox Hill Baptist Church (4101 Elmwood Street, Chantilly, VA 20151). For the full schedule of community engagement sessions, click here.

Volunteer Opportunity



Habitat Heroes - March

On **Saturday, March 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Ellanor C. Lawrence Park** invites you to join Habitat Heroes this spring. Volunteers will remove non-native invasive plants to protect native species and support wildlife habitat, using tools to pull or cut invasive plants in the natural areas. The invasive plants may include: bush honeysuckle, autumn olive, multi-flora rose, garlic mustard, and others.

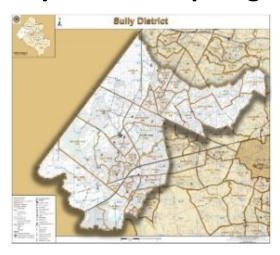
Volunteers must be at least 13 years old, and those 15 years old and younger must be with an adult.

Please wear, long sleeves and pants, sturdy shoes or boots, and bring a water bottle. Gloves, tools, water, and snacks will be provided.

Contact:

Kiersten Fiore Visitor Services and Operations Manager 703-631-0013 kiersten.fiore@fairfaxcounty.gov

Sully Land Use Spotlight



Upcoming Meetings:

Planning Commission Meeting:

The Planning Commission will meet on **Wednesday**, **January 29**, **2020** at 7:30 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) in the Board Auditorium. The meeting will be broadcast live on <u>Channel 16</u>. There are two Sully District cases on the <u>agenda</u>. More information about these cases is below.

CSPA 83-C-021-02/CSP 2018-SU-008 (K. Hovnanian Homes at Pender Oaks, S. Williams LLC)

The applicant, K. Hovnanian Homes at Pender Oaks, LLC., seeks approval of a Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment to allow sign modifications for the Pender Village Center, and approval of a Comprehensive Sign Plan for the Pender Oaks residential development. This property is located on 9.99 acres in the Sully District. County staff recommends approval of CSPA 83-C-021-02, subject to proposed development conditions contained in Appendix 2A of the Staff Report. County staff recommends approval of CSP 2018-SU-008, subject to proposed development conditions contained in Appendix 2B of the Staff Report.

RZ/FDP 2019-SU-009/PCA 78-S-063-09/PCA 85-S-061-06/PCA 85-S-039 (Elm Street Communities, Inc.) -

The applicant, Elm Street Communities, Inc., is proposing three PCAs to delete land area from Westfields rezoning and rezone to the PDH-8 District to permit development of 157 single family attached dwelling units. This property is located on approximately 19.92 acres currently zoned I-3 in the Sully District.

County staff recommends:

 Approval of RZ 2019-SU-009 and the associated Conceptual Development Plan (CDP), subject to the execution of proffers consistent with those included in Appendix 1 of the Staff Report.

- Approval of Final Development Plan (FDP) 2019-SU-009 subject to the development conditions contained in Appendix 2 of the Staff Report.
- Approval of PCA 78-S-063-09 to remove the subject property from RZ 78-S-063.
- Approval of PCA 85-S-061-06 to remove the subject property from RZ 85-S-061.
- Approval of PCA 86-S-039 to remove the subject property from RZ 86-S-039, and
- Approval of the following modifications in association with RZ/FDP 2019-SU-009:
 Modification of Par. 2 of Sect. 6-207 of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance to modify
 the minimum 200 square foot privacy yard for each single-family attached dwelling as
 shown on the CDP/FDP. Modification of Par. 2 of Sect. 11-302 of the Fairfax County
 Zoning Ordinance to permit private streets in the proposed development to exceed the
 maximum 600-foot length limitation as shown on the CDP/FDP.

To view the Staff Report, click here.

Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Survey

Fairfax County Department of Family Services



The Fairfax County Department of Family Services division of <u>Domestic and Sexual Violence Services</u> (DSVS) wants to know what you think about the resources they provide. Have your say; help improve services for victims of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and sex trafficking; and make a difference in your community by taking this <u>survey</u> between now and Friday, January 31, 2020.

"Fairfax County is in the midst of developing the county's strategic plan. So, this is perfect timing for the Department of Family Services, Domestic and Sexual Violence Services to also seek specific feedback about our services as we develop goals for the next three to five years," said Keesha Coke, program manager, Community Engagement Services.

To take the survey, you must live in Fairfax County and be 14 years old or older. It should take about 5 minutes to complete. All answers will be kept confidential.

Completed surveys will be entered into two weekly drawings for \$25 gift certificates. If you need the survey in an alternate format, contact Mery Juarez.

To read the full article, click here.

2020 General Assembly Session



The 2020 Virginia General Assembly Session convened on Wednesday, January 8, 2020. Citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia can take an active role in the legislative process. The <u>Virginia General Assembly website</u> offers online resources to keep the public informed. The <u>Legislative Information System</u> allows individuals to <u>follow the status</u> of bills. To receive email notifications about specific bills, sign up for the free <u>Lobbyist-in-a-Box</u> service, and track up to five bills without charge. <u>Search</u> for proposed bills specifically related to common interest communities, the Property Owners' Association Act, or the Condominium Act. Volunteer leaders and members in common interest communities are encouraged to stay informed and engaged.

The Board of Supervisors' <u>Legislative Committee</u> meets regularly while the Virginia General Assembly is in session. Fairfax County takes a number of positions and advocates for legislation in Richmond. The Board's <u>2020 Legislative Program</u>, <u>2020 Human Services Issue Paper</u>, and <u>Recommended Strategies and Principles for the 116th Congress</u> are available to view online.

Looking for Homeowner and Condominium Resources?



Through <u>publications</u>, <u>presentations</u>, and <u>Channel 16 programs</u>, the <u>Consumer Affairs Branch</u> provides advice and guidance for over 1,500 homeowners' and condominium associations in Fairfax County. If you have a question about a homeowners' or condominium associations, or if you would like the Consumer Affairs Branch to present an outreach presentation to your community, contact the county Homeowners' and Condominium Association's Liaison by email at <u>consumer@fairfaxcounty.gov</u> or call 703-222-8435 (TTY 711).

The Green Column



EnviroPod: Safely Disposing of Unused, Expired, and Unwanted Medications

This edition of the EnviroPod podcast (episode #12) features Melissa Atwood, Outreach Coordinator, Noman Cole Pollution Prevention Plant, talking with host Scott Coco about safely disposing of unused, expired, and unwanted medications.

We have been taught for generations to dispose of unwanted medication by flushing it down the toilet or sink. Things have changed.

Don't allow drugs to fall into the wrong hands or contaminate water supplies!

There are safe, easy, and environmentally friendly ways to dispose of prescription and over-the-counter medications.

Click here to listen to episode #12 of EnviroPod.

Animal Shelter Corner

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Meet Joey-G!

Age: 2y 5m Gender: Male

Color: Black / Brown Spayed/Neutered: No

Size: Small

Guinea pigs are among the most popular household pets available, and it is not hard to see why. Their cute looks, relaxed temperament, and ease of caring make them perfect for all animal lovers. Looking to adopt a guinea pig? <u>Watch this video</u> from Channel 16 about how to care for this animal.

For more information about Joey-G, contact the <u>Fairfax County Animal Shelter</u> at 703-830-1100 (TTY 711) or send an email to <u>animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>.