



Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

Although this week's Board of Supervisors' meeting began much like they always do, it was no regular meeting. We were presented with the proposed budget for FY2010 and the mood was indeed a bit somber. We have been talking about the budget for months and yesterday the words and ideas made it onto paper for the first time. You will find information on the budget below and I hope you will remain engaged with me once you have had a chance to digest the details that are most important to you. In addition to the budget, we have a full agenda of presentations, land use, transportation issues and the like. Just as life does not slow down when it throws you a curve ball, the rest of our business does not slow down throughout the budget process. As always, contact me if I can be of any assistance. I look forward to hearing from you.

Cathy Hudgins

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2-23-2009 Board Action Highlights

Below are excerpts from the **February 23, 2009 Board of Supervisors** meeting that may be of interest to you as a Hunter Mill District constituent. To reach the item-related back-up material, please go to the County's *Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule*

section on the County's BOS webpage for the specific Board date at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/board/meetings/2009.htm> Some County links may not be active until later in the week. For items that relate to other Districts, see the Agenda or Board Summary at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/board/>

PRESENTATIONS

I sponsored a resolution to recognize the **Sheriff's Office and the Community Labor Force** program for the wonderful work it does to maintain the appearance of the County.

ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE: FY2010 Budget Proposal

Fairfax County Executive Anthony H. Griffin proposed a General Fund budget of \$3,313,476,563 for Fiscal Year 2010 (July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010), a decrease of 3.70 percent from the *FY 2009 Revised Budget Plan*. Excluding adjustments in the current fiscal year, the decrease from the FY 2009 Adopted Budget is \$39.1 million or 1.17 percent. The total of all Appropriated Funds is \$5,839,237,244. The proposed budget increases the Real Estate Tax rate to \$1.04 per \$100 of assessed value. Mr. Griffin recommended that the Board advertise a Real Estate Tax rate of 1.07 per \$100 of assessed value to leave some level of flexibility. Mr. Griffin recommended that the Board maintain the school transfer at the same level as the FY 2009 level, continue the Penny for Affordable Housing, hold the Community Funding Pool to the FY 2009 level, continue support for Metro and the Fairfax Connector, and maintain senior adult day services, with some consolidation. Additionally, Mr. Griffin funded emergency support reserve for community organizations/non-profits as they are facing increased service requests.

The FY 2010 Budget proposal includes reductions in County spending totaling \$106.4 million. It is important to note that the recommended spending reductions were not made equally across County departments and programs, recognizing that some services are fundamental to the County's core mission. The proposed reductions include: Program Eliminations; Efficiencies and Restructurings; Facility Closures/Reduced Service Hours/Levels; Employee-Related Reductions; and Public/Employee Suggestions. You can learn more about the FY 2010 Advertised Budget Plan by accessing the various budget volumes at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/budget

The BOS Budget committee will be meeting to review the proposal on March 16, March 23 and April 17 at the Government Center.

Public Hearings on the FY 2010 fiscal plan have been set for Monday, March 30, at 7 p.m.; Tuesday, March 31, at 3 p.m.; and Wednesday, April 1, at 3 p.m. Those wishing to speak at any of the public hearings should contact the Office of the Clerk to the Board at 703-324-3151, TTY 703-324-3903, or

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speaker_bos.htm to place their name on the speakers list. I will be hosting a Community Meeting on the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget on March 17th, from 7 - 9 PM, at the Reston Community Center - Hunters Woods.

The Board of Supervisors has scheduled the budget markup session for Monday, April 20, at 10 a.m. The formal adoption of the budget is scheduled to take place on Monday, April 27, at 10 a.m. during the regularly scheduled board meeting.

All of the board's public hearings will be held in the Board Auditorium of the Fairfax County Government Center and will be televised live on Fairfax County Government Channel 16.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/board>

Admin 1: Authorization to advertise a proposed Board of Supervisors public hearing on March 30, 2009 @ 3:00 p.m. for a **Sewer Ordinance Amendment to revise the sewer service charges and the availability fees** to be consistent with the Wastewater Management Program's 2009 Wastewater Revenue Sufficiency and Rate Analysis (the Rate Study) for the Sewer System, prepared in cooperation with its consultant, Public Resources Management Group, Inc. (PRMG).

Admin 2: Accepted streets into the secondary system -

- Sunset Hills Road (Rt 675) Additional ROW only 9Reston Section 935 Bocks 2A & 2B Village Commons.

Admin 7: Authorized Fairfax Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court to accept grant funding from the **Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force** through Loudoun County, VA.

Admin 8: Authorized advertising a public hearing to amend Articles 2,3, and 7 of Chapter 3 of the **Uniformed, Police Officers and Employees' Retirement Systems** - hearing on changes to allow surviving spouses of deceased members to continue receiving benefits when they remarry.

Admin 9: Authorized advertising a public hearing to amend Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 3 of the **Uniformed, Police Officers and Employees' Retirement Systems** - hearing on changes regarding service credit for military leave without pay.

ACTION ITEMS

Action 1: Approval of the **Disease Carrying Insects Suppression Program:** (1) West Nile virus (WNV) activities include: disease surveillance, public outreach and education, contract management, and research, continue throughout the year. Mosquito surveillance and larvicide treatments for monitoring and control of WNV commence with the beginning of the mosquito breeding season in May and continue through October; (2) Lyme disease activities include tick surveillance, public outreach and education which also continue throughout the year.

Action 2: Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Fairfax County Police Department and the **"WAVE II" Washington/Maryland and Northern Virginia Regional Vehicle Theft Investigation Initiative Tactical Team**. WAVE II tactical teams combine resources of regional law enforcement agencies to reduce auto theft through the region.

Action 3: Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Fairfax County Police Department and the Northern Virginia Gang Task Force authorizing the assignment of one second lieutenant and one detective to the **Gang Task Force**

- Task Force is funded through a Bureau of Justice Affairs, Targeting Violent Crime Initiative Grant, through September 30, 2009. As a result, mandatory reporting requirements related to the disbursements of these grant funds have been incorporated into this MOA.

Action 4: Endorsement of the Residential Traffic Administration Program (RTAP) **revised Traffic Calming General Operating Procedures.** Changes eliminate the need for the petition process.

PRESENTATION

Presentation on the Fairfax County Public Schools proposed acquisition of **Gatehouse II** was cancelled by the Board. The Board voted to discontinue any further consideration of the purchase of Gatehouse II.

BOARD MATTERS introduced by Supervisor Hudgins

Madison High School senior **Sean Fletcher** is invited to appear before the Board for recognition of his recent accomplishment at the Virginia AAA state swimming championships. Sean broke the national high school record for the 100 yard butterfly. Congratulations!

I-66 Spot Improvement Project: I shared a letter I received from Virginia Secretary of Transportation Pierce Homer clarifying the status of a long-term, multi-modal study of alternatives in the I-66 corridor inside the Beltway. He said that the study is underway and public comment is scheduled for April with completion later this year. According to Homer, once completed, this study will become part of the larger I-66 environmental impact study for I-66 outside the Beltway. The larger study is anticipated to begin in the May/June time frame. Once I share this information with my fellow TPB members, I plan to move for reconsideration of the February 18th vote that removed the project from the FY 2010 to 2015 Transportation Improvement Program and the 2009 Constrained Long Range Plan

Budget Town Meeting: I will be hosting a Hunter Mill District Town Meeting on the FY 2010 Budget on Tuesday, March 17th, 7 p.m. at Reston Community Center at Hunter Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3:00 p.m. Annual Meeting: Fairfax County Solid Waste Authority to appoint officers; approve the minutes from the December 3, 2007 and January 28, 2008 meetings and the financial statement. General information regarding 2008 activity:

- I-95 Energy/Resource Recovery Facility processed 1,032,401 tons of municipal solid waste
- 11.1% above the Guaranteed Annual Tonnage of 930,750 tons required by the service agreement with Covanta Fairfax, Inc.
- County waste delivered 917,500 tons (below GAT level for the first time in 3 years)

- A five year agreement between with the District of Columbia to bring additional waste has been implemented
- Covanta was certified as a Virginia Environmental Excellence Enterprise Program and recently received the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry's voluntary protection program "Star" award for workplace safety and health excellence
- Service agreement and extensions continue until 2016

3:30 p.m. Public Hearing on a proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment re: Mobile and Land Based Telecommunication Facilities: amendment increases the maximum allowable height of by right structure and rooftop mounted panel antennas; allows replacement utility poles and light poles on which antennas are mounted that are located in any street right-of-way to be greater in size than the pole being replaced, subject to limitations; and allows mobile and land based telecommunication hub sites to locate by right in residential districts in certain circumstances.

- Allows an increase in the maximum allowable height of structure or building rooftop panel antennas that are permitted by right from 6 feet to 8.5 feet.
- Currently by right replacement utility poles and light poles on which antennas are mounted that are located in any street right-of-way cannot be increased in size. The proposed amendment allows such replacement poles to be increased in size provided that such poles do not exceed 64 feet in height and 18 inches in diameter. Board Agenda Item December 8, 2008
- Defines a mobile and land based telecommunication hub site as an equipment cabinet or structure that serves a mobile and land based telecommunication system when there are no antennas located on the same lot as the equipment cabinet or structure.
- Allows mobile and land based telecommunication hub sites by right in (a) all C Districts, I Districts, except the I-I District, and in the commercial areas of all P Districts; (b) in any zoning district on lots containing Group 3 special permit uses, except home child care facilities and group housekeeping units, Group 4, 5 or 6 special permit uses, Category 1, 2, 3 or 4 special exception uses, and Category 5 special exception uses, except for bed and breakfasts; (3) and in any zoning district on property owned or controlled by a public use or Fairfax County governmental unit, provided that the hub site meets certain size, setback and screening requirements.
- Clarifies that the height of replacement utility poles and light/camera standards shall be measured as the vertical distance between the lowest point of finished ground level adjacent to the structure and the highest point of the structure, including antennas.

4:00 p.m. - SE 2008-PR-033 - Deferred Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation on behalf of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority - **Category 4 Special Exception** for an electrically powered regional transit facility for the proposed **Tysons East** Metrorail Station and a Category 6 Special Exception to allow construction of associated lines in the floodplain. The station is proposed in an area adjacent to Scotts Run floodplain located on the

northern and southern sides of Route 123. The proposed electrically powered regional rail transit facility will be the easternmost station in the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project Silver Line which proposes to extend the Metrorail system past the Dulles International Airport to a terminus in Loudoun County. The project will be developed in phases and the proposed Tysons East Metrorail Station is also the easternmost station in Phase I. Phase I proposes to extend Metrorail from a point east of the existing station at West Falls Church through Tysons Corner to a proposed Wiehle Avenue stations.

4:00 p.m. - SE 2008-MD-034 - Deferred Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation on behalf of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority - **Category 4 Special Exception** for an electrically powered regional transit facility for the proposed **Tysons West** Metrorail Station. The proposed electrically powered regional rail station facility will be westernmost station in Tysons Corner in the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project Silver line which, as currently designed, proposes to extend the Metrorail system past the Dulles International Airport to a terminus in Loudoun County. The project will be developed in phases and the proposed Tysons West Metrorail station is in the first Phase, which proposes to extend Metrorail from a point east of the existing station at West Falls Church through Tysons Corner to the proposed Wiehle Avenue station. The proposed station is destined to be accessed primarily by pedestrian and bus riders. The station is composed of the station and platform in the right of way of Leesburg Pike (Route 7) with elevated pedestrian bridges over Route 7 with the station entrances on the north and south sides of Route 7.

4:00 p.m.- Approved SE 2008-PR-035 - Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation on behalf of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority - **Category 4 Special Exception** for an electrically-powered regional rail transit facility to construct the proposed **Tysons Central 123** Metrorail station. The proposed electrically powered regional rail station facility will be the second easternmost station on the proposed extension of the Metrorail system to past the Dulles International Airport. The project will be developed in phases and the proposed Tysons Central 123 is in Phase I, which proposes to extend Metrorail from a point east of the existing station at West Falls Church through Tysons Corner to the proposed Wiehle Avenue station. The proposed station will be accessed primarily by pedestrian and bus riders. As such, the station is composed of the station and platform, and elevated pedestrian bridge over Route 123 with the station entrances on the north and south sides of Rt 123. Bus stops are to be provided on both sides of Rt 123, along Tysons Boulevard and in a new set of four bus bays on the south side of Rt 123 to be constructed outside of the right-of-way by Tysons Corner Center.

4:00 p.m.- Approved SE 2008-MD-036 - Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation on behalf of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority - **Category 4 Special Exception** for an electrically-powered regional rail transit facility to construct the proposed **Tysons Central 7** Metrorail station. The proposed electrically powered regional rail station facility will be the third station on the proposed extension of the Metrorail system to a terminus in Loudoun County. The project will be developed in phases and the proposed Tysons Central 7 is the third station in Phase I, which proposes to extend Metrorail from a point east of the existing station at West Falls Church through Tysons Corner to the proposed Wiehle Avenue station. The proposed station is envisioned as an urban station and is destined to be primarily accessed by pedestrian and bus riders - with no parking or kiss

and ride lot associated with the station. The station is composed of the station with platform and elevated pedestrian bridges over Route 7.

4:00 p.m.- Approved SE 2008-HM-038 - Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation on behalf of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority - Category 4 Special Exception for an electrically-powered regional rail transit facility and a Category 6 Special Exception for an increase in building height to construct the proposed Wiehle Avenue Metro Station and an associated parking structure. The proposed parking structure would have a height of 85 feet where 75 feet is the maximum allowed per the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed electrically powered regional rail facility will be the final station on Phase I of the proposed extension of the Metrorail system past the Dulles International Airport to a terminus in Loudoun County. The project has been broken into phases and the proposed Wiehle Avenue Metrorail Station is the final and westernmost station in Phase I, which proposed to extend Metrorail from to a point just east of the existing station at West Falls Church through Tysons Corner to the proposed Wiehle Avenue station.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Real Estate Assessment Notices: The Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration (DTA) begins mailing 352,526 real estate assessment notices to county taxpayers today. The notices will be sent to all property owners of taxable parcels in the county. Of the 352,526 taxable parcels in the county, 335,342 had some value change. More than 95% of residential properties experienced an assessment decrease for 2009; and taxable real estate value in Fairfax County decreased by \$22.86 billion or -9.95% from the 2008 assessment base. Please visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/2009/2009-real-estate-assessment-change-notices-mailed.htm> for more information. Assessment appeals may be made through the DTA, or the Board of Equalization at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boe/>.

Soapstone Drive Walkway Project Community Meeting - Wednesday, February 25, at 7:00 p.m., Langston Hughes Middle School cafeteria.

Reston FYI (For Youth Information) Launch Fairs-a new website of youth activities close to home or work in the Reston community will be available for preview by youth and parents at four fairs;

Thursday, February 26th

Langston Hughes Middle School: 2:30-4:00pm

Southgate Community Center: 6:00-7:30pm

Built in collaboration with Fairfax County, Reston Community Center and Reston Association, and the YMCA, the website was generated to help parents and youth search for after-school and out-of-school activities. The site is a "one stop shop" for Reston area youth, parents and community members looking for accessible, supervised healthy activities.

New School Naming: A community meeting to suggest names for the new elementary school at the Coppermine site will be held on Wednesday, March 4th, 7 p.m., at McNair Elementary School cafeteria, 2499 Thomas Jefferson Drive, Herndon. The new Coppermine site school is scheduled to open its doors for classes next fall.

Hunter Mill Town Hall Meeting on the FY 2010 Budget: I will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting on the FY 2010 Proposed Budget on Tuesday, March 17, 7 p.m., at Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Fairfax Department of Management and Budget will review and answer questions on the County Executive's proposal. I will provide the Board of Supervisors' perspective and listen to your comments and concerns. Please RSVP to the Hunter Mill District Office at 703-478-0283.

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