



Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

Safety was on the forefront on the Board's mind in urging County businesses to join the commitment to driver safety by taking the "Orange Cones. No Phones" Employer Safety Pledge. By raising awareness in the workplace and encouraging programs and policies aimed to eliminate distracted driving, everyone can help to keep drivers and communities safe. It was initially introduced in November to discourage distracted driving in construction zones, but has grown to become a good reminder that we all have a part to play in raising awareness of the dangers of distracted driving of all kinds, not just texting or making phone calls, and on all our roads, not just the work zones.

Fairfax County can be proud of the "clean opinion" received from KPMG in the auditing and issuance of the 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and Single Audit. The successful financial audit statement not only recognizes the County's sound financial records and control practices, but helps the County to maintain its AAA bond rating which results in lower rates charged for debt. The auditor's letter recognized the extra workload of staff this year due to the 11 additional grant programs in fiscal year 2010 awarded through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA funds), and commended Fairfax County and the staff for a job well done this year.

My staff and I extend our best wishes to you and your family for a safe and wonderful holiday season.

Cathy Hudgins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Funding Tysons Transportation Improvements: A public meeting will be held Wednesday, December 15, 7 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, Rooms

2/3. You are invited to come and learn more about the proposed improvements for the redesigned transportation system that will take advantage of the four new Metrorail stations along with better bicycle and pedestrian routes.

12-7-2010 BOARD ACTION HIGHLIGHTS

Below are excerpts from the **December 7, 2010 Board of Supervisors** meeting that may be of interest to you as a Hunter Mill District constituent. For additional details, please go to the County's [Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule](#) section on the County's webpage. Some County links may not be active until later in the week.

PRESENTATIONS

We recognized the members of the **Fairfax Advocates for Better Bicycling** for preparing the Guide for Reviewing Public Road Design and Bicycling Accommodations for Virginia Bicycling Advocates.

Fairfax County Park Authority presented the **2010 National Gold Medal Award** for excellence in park and recreation administration to the Board. The Gold Medal Award is the parks and recreation industry's highest honor from the National Recreation and Parks Association.

Harold Strickland was awarded the Lawrence V. Fowler Award, given to a member of a Fairfax County board, authority, commission or committee for long-term distinguished service. Hal has served on the Park Authority Board since 1992.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND AUTHORITIES

The following Hunter Mill residents have volunteered their service on the County's boards and commissions. I am pleased and grateful to sponsor their appointments.

Colonel Denver Lovette appointed to the Advisory Citizen Reapportionment Committee

M. Yvonne Demory reappointment to Board of Equalization Real Estate Assessments

Ronald Copeland reappointed to the Civil Service Commission

Barbara Naef reappointed to the History Commission

Elise Ruff Murry reappointed to the History Commission

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Admin 1: Approval of Installation “Watch for Children” Signs as Part of the Residential Traffic Administration Program: approval for sign on Liberty Tree Lane.

Admin 4: Authorization to amend articles of Fairfax County Retirement System. Necessary to bring language up to date with current IRS tax qualification letters.

Admin 7: Authorization to advertise a public hearing for January 25, 2011, 4:00 p.m., for the sale of two million gallons per day of Fairfax County’s unused capacity at the Upper Occoquan Sewage Authority’s Treatment Plant to Prince Williams County. Selling excess capacity at this time recovers Fairfax County’s cost of constructing the capacity that is being sold and avoids paying for the up-coming upgrades at the plan for the sold capacity.

Admin 8: Authorization to advertise a public hearing for January 25, 2011, 4:00 p.m., for Fairfax County’s purchase of one million gallon a day of capacity at Loudoun Water’s Broad Run Water Reclamation Facility (BRWRF) to meet Fairfax County’s growing need for additional wastewater conveyance and treatment capacity in the northern portion of the County (including Tysons which is primarily serviced today by the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority’s Blue Plains treatment plant.) Discussions are underway to purchase additional capacity from the Blue Plains treatment plant also. The County will pay approximately \$20.9 million to \$21.0 million, pending accrual of interest to Loudoun water.

Admin 9: Extension of review periods for 2232 application FS-H10-62 application to March 5, 2011 for Clearwire US LLC rooftop antennas at 2100 Reston Parkway, Reston.

ACTION ITEMS

Action 1: Adjustment to Qualifying Upper Threshold Requirements for the Traffic Calming Program. Approved adjustment of the qualifying upper threshold for the Fairfax County Traffic Calming Program from its current level of 4,000 vehicles per day (vpd) to 6,000 vpd. By making this change, roads with vehicular daily volumes between 4,000 and 6,000 will not need to go through a petition process and will not need a cut through traffic study to be completed. Also this will eliminate the need for a Resolution to VDOT and a Public Hearing.

Action 2: Adoption of the Pohick Creek Watershed Management Plan and the Sugarland Run/Horsepen Creek Watershed Management Plan (Hunter Mill) – second phase and countywide goal:

- Improve and maintain watershed functions in Fairfax County, including water quality, habitat and hydrology

- Protect human health, safety and property by reducing stormwater impacts
- Involve stakeholders in the protection, maintenance and restoration of county watersheds.

Action 3: Approve Issuance of Revenue Bonds to Refinance Capital Improvements including a new parking garage and improvements to existing facilities for Vinson Hall Corporation facility located on Old Dominion Drive, McLean. Does not constitute debt obligation for Board or County.

Action 4: Endorsement of the Chief Administrative Officers Task Force's Comments Regarding the Preliminary FY 2012 Virginia Railway Express Budget. The Board endorsed the CAO Task Force's primary recommendation on the FY 2012 VRE budget; that VRE should balance the FY 2012 budget without a jurisdictional subsidy increase.

Action 6: Approval of lease agreement with Boston Properties for Interim Commuter Park-and-Ride lot at 12050 Sunset Hills Road. The provisions of interim parking is necessitated by the near-term loss of 829 heavily-utilized commuter parking spaces at the County-owned Reston East Park and Ride facility while construction of a multi-level garage supporting the Dulles Metrorail Phase I extension is underway. The total cost associated with the lease is \$1,462,000, including \$475,000 for lot improvements, \$942,000 for the lease of the land/lot and \$45,000 for electrical costs over lease term.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Info 1: Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2010 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). KPMG, the County's outside auditors, reports that no material weaknesses were noted. The 2009 CAFRs for the County, the Integrated Sewer System, and the Park Authority were awarded the Government Finance Officers Association of the US and Canada Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, the highest honor conferred.

Info 2: Contract Award – Alcohol/Drug Testing and Medical Review Officer Management Services. Authorization to contract for the provision of Alcohol/Drug Testing and Medical Review Officer Management Services for Fairfax County Government and Fairfax County Public Schools.

Info 3: Contract Award – Physical Exams and Medical Evaluations. Approved contract to provide Physical Examination and Medical Evaluation Services for Fairfax County Government and FCPS.

BOARD MATTERS

Jointly with Supervisor McKay: Safe Routes to School. The Board approved our motion to identify a county agency to coordinate a grant application for the Safe Routes to School program, and coordinate this effort with the Health Department and Fairfax County Public Schools.

Snow Plowing Coordination and ADA Access Issues: I requested that Fairfax County staff assist in conveying the importance that businesses and retail establishments clear the snow from ADA parking spaces and avoid creating barriers of accessibility.

Vienna Youth Inc. Steelers 125-lb. football team came home from this year's national youth football tournament with another national championship trophy for their weight class. They will be recognized by the Board for their achievements.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3:30 p.m. Public Hearing on PCA 86-C-119-06, DPA 86-C-119-02 and PRC 86-C-119
Board of Supervisors own motion.

4:00 p.m. Public Hearing on lease of County-Owned property at 2310 Colts Neck Road to T-Mobile Northeast LLC: Lease agreement for a portion of the roof of the building and 200 square feet of space on the ground for five (5) years, with options for renewal. Proposal will generate approximately \$24,000 in revenue the first years with a three percent (3%) increase each subsequent year.

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