



Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

The budget was the focus of much of our discussions at Tuesday's meeting. We approved advertising a maximum residential real estate tax rate of \$1.12 per \$100 assessed value. After the upcoming budget public hearings and our work sessions, we will decide on the tax rate at the April 27th board meeting. Also under consideration is the establishment of a local vehicle registration license fee of \$33 for passenger vehicles.

Public hearings on the budget will be on April 6th – 8th. If you wish to speak to the Board at these hearings, contact the Office of the Clerk to the Board at 703-324-3151, or [sign up on-line](#). In addition, you can submit your [comments to the Board on-line](#), or on the budget hotline at 703-324-9400.

I read the emails and letters you send and do draw on those when thinking about how to manage this budget. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about information in this update or need any assistance.

Cathy Hudgins

3-9-2010 Board Action Highlights

Below are excerpts from the **March 9, 2010 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 webpage. Some County links may not be active until later in the week. For items that relate to other Districts, see Agenda/Board Summary: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/board/>

PRESENTATIONS

The Board recognized **Lee Rau** for his years of service as the Hunter Mill District representative to the Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

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

Admin 1: Authorization to advertise a public hearing to consider the adoption of Article 17.2, Chapter 4, of Fairfax County Code to establish local vehicle registration license fees for FY 2011. The Board will consider establishing a vehicle registration fee of \$33 per passenger vehicle at a public hearing on April 6, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. The new fees would generate \$27 million in revenues and go into effect on July 1, 2010.

Admin 3: Authorization to advertise a public hearing on April 6, 2010 at 2:30 p.m., to amend and readopt Fairfax County Code Section 402202 to impose the courthouse facilities fee on civil cases. With this change, civil litigants, who are the primary users of the courthouse, would be required to pay an additional fee of \$2.00 to support the maintenance of the County's court facilities. If approved, this fee would be effective on July 1, 2010, to coincide with the new County budget.

Admin 4: Authorization to advertise publication of the FY 2011 Budget and required tax rates. The Board approved advertising a residential real estate tax rate of \$1.12 per \$100 of assessed value. Advertising the \$1.12 rate does not prevent the Board from lowering any advertised tax rate, but a higher tax rate can not be imposed without re-advertising at the higher rate.

Admin 5: Authorization to advertise a public hearing to amend the current appropriation level in the FY 2010 Revised Budget Plan. Board approved advertisement for a public hearing, to be held on April 6, 7, and 8, 2010, to adjust the FY 2010 appropriation level. The advertisement encompasses both the County and the Schools' *FY 2010 Third Quarter Reviews*. The Code of Virginia requires that a public hearing be held prior to Board action to amend the current appropriation level.

ACTION ITEMS

Action 1: Approved the issuance by the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority of its revenue bonds totaling \$38 million, for the benefit of George Mason University Foundation, Inc. The purpose of the bonds will be to finance the acquisition and construction of new administrative and classroom facilities.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Info 2: Consolidated Plan Certification for the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Five-Year Plan

for FY 2010-2014 and Annual Plan for FY 2010. On March 4, 2010 FCRHA was to approve submission of its Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Annual Plan Update for Fiscal Year 2010 (FCHRA Fiscal Year 2011) to the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Certification that the plan is consistent with the Fairfax County Consolidated Plan is part of the required submission which is due by April 15, 2010.

Info 4: 2009 Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Annual Report for Fairfax County. Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services prepared the 2009 Annual Report for submission to the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) in compliance with Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit VA0088587, Part I, Section C.4. The annual report documents activities performed by the County between January 1, 2009, and December 31, 2009, to satisfy requirements of its VPDES permit to operate a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4). The current permit was issued January 24, 2002, and expired January 24, 2007. The County is currently operating under an administrative continuance of the existing permit in anticipation of permit renewal later this year.

BOARD MATTERS introduced by Supervisor Hudgins

County Health Rankings – Fairfax County is Highest in State

Virginia Department of Health ranked Fairfax County as the healthiest county in Virginia. Counties' health were ranked on two sets of measures - health outcomes such as length and quality of life and, health factors such as access to and quality of clinical care, social and economic factors, and the physical environment. While we know that there are always areas for improvement, and many variables within communities, this study indicates that Fairfax County is now documented as the healthiest county in the state in which to live, work, and play. The Board will invite Dr. Gloria Addo-Ayensu, Director of the Health Department, to be honored for this recognition.

Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation

Board of Supervisors proclaimed April Donate Life Month and will invite the Fairfax County Commission on Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation (COTD) to be recognized at the April 6, 2010 Board of Supervisors' Meeting for its dedication to encouraging organ and tissue donation and transplantation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3:30 p.m. Public Hearings on Reston Hospital Center LLC (4 proposals). Board approved reclassifying from C-3, C-5 and PRC to PRC, to permit additional 152 beds, two level addition to the Pavilion Medical Office Building and one six-story medical center.

**RZ 2009-HM-014
PRC 2009-HM-014**

**PCA 89-C-025-05
DPA 89-C-025-04**

4:00 p.m. Approved amending County Code relating to Election Precincts, moving the polling place for Coppermine precinct from the McNair Elementary School located at 2499 Thomas Jefferson Drive, Herndon, to the new Lutie Lewis Coates Elementary School located at 2480 River Birch Road, Herndon. Currently, Coppermine and McNair precincts vote at the same location. This proposed change will reduce the congestion at McNair Elementary School and provide a convenient and easily accessible public facility for the voters in this precinct. Additionally, staff recommends changing the name of the precinct from “Coppermine” to “Coates” to be consistent with the name of the school.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hunter Mill District Community Meeting on the Proposed FY 2011 Budget: I hope you can join me and County staff for the 2nd of two district meetings on the FY2011 budget proposal – Wednesday, March 24th, 7 p.m. at James Madison High School Warhawk Hall, 2500 James Madison Drive in Vienna.

Community Workshop for Wiehle Avenue Station Area: Saturday, March 20th, 9 a.m. at Langston Hughes Middle School, 11401 Ridge Heights Road, Reston. Information and agendas for this and upcoming meetings is available on the [Reston Master Plan Special Study webpage](#).

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