



Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

Recognizing that we are not yet out of the budgetary woods, the Fiscal Year 2012 Budget process is underway with community input. The County has scheduled two community forums, established an online do-it-yourself kit to host your own meetings, and created an online survey and feedback form. The Community Forums are Oct. 5 and 23, and will include an overview of the budget, a facilitated discussion with Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova and School Board Chairman Kathy Smith, and small-group workshops. Registration is required and can be completed online or by calling 703-324-2391, TTY 711.

As well, there will be a citizen Budget Committee for the Hunter Mill District. If you are interested in being part of this twelve member committee, please forward your resume to my office (hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov.) I also encourage those interested to attend the community budget forums. I anticipate that the Hunter Mill Citizen Budget Committee will be selected by the end October. For more information on the community forums and the new do-it-yourself budget kit, please visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/2010/fy-2012-budget-community-engagement-includes-kit.htm>.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dulles Metrorail Community Meeting sponsored by Supervisor Hudgins and Metrorail Project staff. Meeting will present an update on the current construction for Phase 1 and information about preliminary design for the Phase 2 stations, station access issues, and questions and answers.

- **Vienna: Wednesday, September 29, 7-9 p.m.**
 - Westbriar Elementary School, 1741 Pine Valley Drive, Vienna.

North County Parks Public Comment Meeting: Great Parks - Great Communities

Fairfax County Park Authority invites you to view the draft plan for our district parks at a community meeting on Monday, October 4th, 7 p.m., at Colvin Run Mill Barn, 10017 Colvin Run Mill Road, Great Falls. This meeting will review the draft plan that will guide future park land acquisition, facility development and resource stewardship through 2020. The draft is available on the [project website](#) and you are invited to submit your comments on-line.

Aging in Community Forum: Saturday, October 9th, 1 p.m., Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods. Speakers and breakout sessions will highlight how citizens can retire gracefully and comfortably in their community. This program is free but registration is required – sign up through the [Reston Community Center's webpage](#).

9-28-2010 BOARD ACTION HIGHLIGHTS

Below are excerpts from the **September 28, 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

African American Adoption Awareness Month proclaimed for the month of October. Of the 376 children in foster care on June 30, 37 percent were African American, although less than 10 percent of our county's total population is African American. We thanked the agencies and community organizations for the critical work they are doing.

Operation Medicine Cabinet Cleanout Week was designed for October 18-23. Prevent accidental poisoning or abuse and protect the environment by dropping off your unused or expired medications at any of the local Fairfax police stations, including those serving Hunter Mill district: Reston Station (12000 Bowman Towne Drive), McLean Station (1437 Balls Hill Road) and the Fair Oaks Station (12300 Lee Jackson Hwy.)

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Admin 1: Authorized to advertise a Board of Supervisors public hearing on November 16, 2010, 4:00 p.m., on proposed amendments to the Human Rights Ordinance, Chapter 11 of the Fairfax County Code to expedite the appeals process, as well as, reflect the procedural changes due to the merging of the Office of Human Rights and the Office of Equity Programs.

- Education and Outreach added to the statement policy section.

- Definition of “disabled person”.
- Definition of Director/Division added or changed.
- Educational Institutions limited to private institutions.
- Employment Agency added internet providers to reflect new technologies.
- Major life activities and physical impairment changed to reflect those in the ADA Amendments Act of 2008.
- Public accommodation expanded to include non-governmental entities.
- Reconsideration of the Final Investigative Report – affords complainants an additional review.
- Addition of a “Hearing Tribunal”.

Admin 2: Approval of Supplemental Appropriation Resolution AS 11050 for the Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court to accept grant funding from the Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force through Loudoun County, Virginia.

- \$592,916 to continue to provide regional gang prevention and intervention services
- \$485,970 will be used to continue the Intervention, Prevention and Education (IPE) Program, which allows counselors to provide direct services to gang at risk youth in the region as well as conduct community outreach and coordination of services for youth and their families.
- Remaining amount of \$106,946 will be used to fund the GRIT Coordinator for Fairfax County.
- Coordinates prevention and intervention strategies and programs for Fairfax County and works with various departments to establish a coordinated approach to gang and gang-related issues.
- Will support 1/1.0 SYE existing grant position.

Admin 3: Streets into the Secondary System

SUBDIVISION PLAT NAME: New Dominion Parkway Reston Section **931**

New Dominion Parkway (Route **6363**) Existing New Dominion Parkway (Route **6363**) - **0.14 miles total**. Sidewalks on both sides are privately maintained.

Admin 4: Authorization to advertise a Planning Commission public hearing on October 19, 2010 at 8:15 p.m., and Board of Supervisors public hearing on November 19, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., on proposed amendments to Chapter 67.1 of the Fairfax County Code Relating to Sanitary Sewers and Sewage disposal to implement additional authority granted by the 2010 General Assembly, to make related changes to enhance the County’s enforcement authority, and to make technical amendments. Strengthen the ability of localities to establish sewer use standards, assess civil penalties, and assess monetary damages in the event of damage to their Publicly Owned Treatment Works and establish procedures for administrative hearings and appeals. Department of Environmental Quality has approved the proposed amendments as a non-substantial program modification.

Highlights of benefits:

- Provides clearer notice to the person causing damage
- Strengthens the County’s ability to assess monetary damages administratively

- Assess civil penalties administratively
- Increases the amount of civil penalties
- Enhance existing provisions on administrative hearings to establish full due process rights
- Broadens penalty and damage provisions

Fiscal Impact: No significant fiscal impact as the number of violators is very small and violations are resolved quickly to avoid penalties.

Admin 5: Approval of Supplemental Appropriation Resolution AS 11054 for the Fire and Rescue Department to accept a Department of Homeland Security Urban Area Security Initiative Sub-Grant Award from the Northern Virginia Regional Commission through the State Administrative Agency for the National Capital Region. Board approval of grant in the amount of \$152,344. These funds will be used to support the procurement of emergency preparedness supplies and continue local and regional emergency planning efforts. This project reflects a continuing relationship between the Fire and Rescue Department (FRD) and the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, demonstrating a commitment to sustain the Northern Virginia Emergency Response System (NoVA ERS) Regional System (7UASI854). No local cash match is required. No new positions will be created by this grant.

Admin 6: Authorization for the Fairfax County Police Department to apply for and accept grant funding from the Office of Justice Programs Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants. Funding in the amount of \$139,291 will be used by the Fairfax County Police Department for technology improvements in two areas. Funding of \$126,661 will be used to enhance the StingRay cell phone tracking system and funding of \$12,630 will be used for technology upgrades in the conversion and retention of electronic data pertaining to completed administrative and internal investigation case files. No local cash match is required. No positions will be created by this grant.

Admin 10: Authorization to advertise a Planning Commission public hearing on October 19, 2010 at 8:15 p.m., and a Board of Supervisors public hearing on November 16, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., on proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to revise the filing fee for an appeal of a determination of the Zoning Administrator or of a proffered condition from \$2,455 to an amount ranging from \$500 to \$1000. Reduces the recovery rate from 75% to 31%. Projected revenue loss of \$43,560 if \$1,000 fee is approved.

ACTION ITEMS

Action 1: Approval of Bond Underwriter Pool for Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and Community Development Authority (CDA) Financings

- County received 24 proposals, of which, 6 firms proposed to serve as underwriter on any future TIF and CDA bonds within the County.

- Establishment of an underwriting pool does not require the County to sell bonds on a negotiated basis, nor does it guarantee that any or all of the firms in the underwriter pool will serve as an underwriter on a future financing.
- The SAC recommended that Stone and Youngberg serve as the Senior Managing Underwriter and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as the Co-Senior Underwriter for the Mosaic CDA bonds. This recommendation was approved by the Mosaic CDA Board on August 11, 2010. As the County is not a party to this financing, no action by the Board is necessary with respect to this particular financing.
- There is no fiscal impact at this time.
- Actual fiscal impact of each bond issue will be assessed at the time of financing approval by the issuing authority.

Action 2: Assent to Defeasance of Metrorail Refunding Bonds Series 1998 A

Approval of Board of Supervisors assent to defeasance of Fairfax County Economic Development Authority Parking Revenue Bonds (Huntington and Vienna Metrorail Stations Projects) Refunding Series 1998 A. The fund balance of the Surcharge Reserve Account exceeds \$11.0 million and the Department of Transportation and the County Debt Manager recommend that the Board of Supervisors assent to the defeasance of the \$4.38 million of outstanding bonds in order to save future interest costs and improve the ability of the Surcharge Reserve Account to support future capital projects. WMATA staff will request the WMATA Board to give its required assent on September 30, 2010. Current plans call for the redemption of the bonds as soon as practicable thereafter. Bondholders will be notified of this action not less than 30 days and no more than 90 days prior to the redemption date.

There is no fiscal impact to the County. Neither the bonds nor the Surcharge Reserve Account is reflected on the County's balance sheet. The County is liable, however, to replenish (on a subject to appropriation basis) any withdrawals from a debt service reserve that secures the bonds, and the redemption of the bonds will relieve the County of that contingent obligation. Annual debt service savings to the Surcharge Account will be approximately \$1.2 million per year through FY 2015.

Action 6: Approval of Recommendations Regarding the Metrorail Stations for Phase 2 of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project

- Advance the design refinements identified for Reston Parkway, Herndon-Monroe, and Route 28 stations, along with other refinements that may be identified to improve accessibility and promote Transit Oriented Development (TOD).
- Continue to advance the underground alignment and station at the Dulles International Airport station while examining alternative aerial alignments at the north parking garage and at the main terminal. The examination of any aerial alignment and station would be subject to completion of the NEPA and Section 106 reviews, and incorporate improved passenger amenities, such as shuttle bus service, baggage handling, etc., at the station.

- Authorize the County Executive and staff to work with the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to achieve significant cost savings on phase 2 of the DCMP by conducting Value Engineering on all aspects of phase 2 of the DCMP, requiring an independent cost estimate as a means of verifying the 100% Preliminary Engineering cost estimate, and utilizing competitive bidding for phase 2 design/build construction. Further, the Airports Authority should pursue federal and state funding for phase 2.
- Authorize the Chairman to endorse and send a letter to the MWAA Board of Directors and the MWAA President and CEO informing them of the Board's position on phase 2 of the DCMP.

TIMING: Board Action is being taken now in order to provide the Airports Authority input to the decision they have to make on October 6, 2010 regarding the initiation of a Section 106 Cultural Resources review and a NEPA review for the aerial alignment and station. Without this decision, the Airports Authority would not be able to complete Preliminary Engineering by the Spring of 2011 and provide its funding partners with a cost estimate for Phase 2 in a timely manner.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Info 1: Service Changes to FAIRFAX CONNECTOR Routes to be implemented in October 2010. This item notifies the Board that the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) intends to change the schedules and/or routings of several FAIRFAX CONNECTOR bus routes in October 2010 including proposed changes to Routes 151, 152 and new Route 159 in Mount Vernon and Lee Districts and changes to Route 574 and RIBS 5 in Dranesville, Hunter Mill, and Providence Districts.

- **Route 574:** Due to schedule adherence problems associated with the construction and traffic in and around Tysons Corner, Route 574 will be truncated at the Tysons West*Park Transit Station and service will be eliminated between Tysons West*Park and Tysons Corner Center. Alternative service between those two nodes is available on Fairfax Connector Routes 401, 402 as well as several Metrobus routes (Attachment V).
- **RIBS 5:** Weekday schedule will be adjusted and headways widened to 35-45 minutes to better reflect accurate running time.

Unless otherwise directed by the Board, the Department of Transportation will implement these service changes in October 2010.

BOARD MATTERS

Gas Pipeline Safety: Accidents through the U.S. and here in Fairfax have prompted citizens to inquire about the safety of the natural gas pipelines running through our residential communities. I requested staff to provide a report on the maintenance and inspection records of the gas companies and their facilities and pipelines running in Fairfax County.

George Lovelace will be invited to appear before the Board to be recognized for his longtime service to Fairfax County.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3:30 p.m. Public Hearing on PRC86-C-121-03 (Reston Excelsior LLC) deferred until 10/19/2010 at 3:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m. Public Hearing on amendments to the Code of the County of Fairfax, Virginia, Articles 2, 3 and 7 of Chapter 3 re: Employees', Uniformed and Police Officers Retirement Systems to redefine actuarial surplus requirement for consideration of Ad-Hoc cost of living adjustment . Proposed amendments would redefine "available actuarial surplus" to mean when the System's actuarial value of assets exceeds the actuarial accrued liability as reported in the latest annual actuarial valuation report. No cost impact in the current fiscal year and impact on future years is uncertain at this time.

4:00 p.m. Public Hearing on amendments to The Code of the County of Fairfax Virginia, Articles 2, 3 and 7 of Chapter 3 Re: Employees', Uniformed and Police Officers Retirement Systems – to repeal the sunset provisions of the deferred retirement option programs and to permit the employees of the department of Public Safety Communications who are members of the Uniformed Retirement System (URS) to vote for a trustee on the URS Board of Trustees.

Drop

- Consultant's update regarding impact of DROP on the three county retirement systems indicate "Members substitute DROP for retirement".
- HS has received positive feedback: Department directors support a retention of the three year period and not experiencing loss of motivation or work effort from employees in the DROP program.
- EAC has not conducted any specific research regarding DROP
- Unless BOS acts to extend program, no eligible member may make applications after December 31, 2013.
- Amendment proposed to eliminate the Sunset Provision all together. This is not to say the BOS could not implement at another time.

Trustee Matter:

Creation of the Department of Public Safety Communications, certain employees were provided the opportunity to transfer to the Uniformed Retirement System. No ordinance was changed to permit these new URS members to vote for a Trustee on the URS Board of Trustee. All other members have voting rights. Amendment would expand the electorate of the two (2) Trustees currently elected by the Uniformed employees to the Fires and Rescue Department to include URS-member employees of DPSC.

Fiscal Impact: No cost increase

4:00 p.m. Public hearing on a proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment Re: Riding and Boarding stables to allow the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) in certain situations to reduce the 100 foot minimum distance between stable structures/ride rings and any lot line; and the 50 foot minimum distance between stable parking and loading spaces and adjoining residential properties.

- Flexibility to reduce 100 foot setback to not less than 40 feet.
- Reduce or waive the minimum required 50 foot distance between parking and loading spaces and any adjoining residential zone property.
- Reductions will be based on clarification of the criteria in subsections A & B.
- Parking and loading spaces may be reduced to not less than 20 feet.
- Add odor mitigation to the list of operational characteristics for which impacts must be addressed.

Regulatory Impact: Provides flexibility in design and operation of stables yet ensuring adverse impacts are minimized

Fiscal Impact: Minimal fiscal impact and minimal additional staff time or resources

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