

eBlast from the Hunter Mill District

Highlights from the Board of Supervisors Meeting

March 15, 2016



The following are highlights from the Board of Supervisors meeting held on **March 15, 2016**. Items below cover Hunter Mill District programs, actions, and residents, plus items impacting all of Fairfax County. For additional details, please go to the County's [Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule](#) section on the County's webpage. You may listen to [highlights from the Board meeting](#) on your computer or listen directly on iTunes. You can subscribe to the podcast, or choose a program and listen in.

PRESENTATIONS

Westfield High School football team was recognized by the Board for their winning season, culminating in the 2015 Virginia High School League 6A state championship.

APPOINTMENTS

The following Hunter Mill District residents were appointed to serve on the County's boards, authorities, commissions, and councils:

- **Michele Hymer Blitz** – Fairfax Area Disability Services Board
- **Ram Singh** – Southgate Community Center Advisory Council
- **Janet Bradshaw** – Southgate Community Center Advisory Council
- **Darlene Ricks** – Southgate Community Center Advisory Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Admin 1: The Board authorized to advertise a public hearing on the **FY2016 revised budget plan**, to be held along with the public hearings on the budget – April 5, 6, and 7. Details on the [Third Quarter Review](#), summary, and public hearing sign up links can be found at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news/2016/county-executive-proposed-changes-fy-2016.htm>.

Admin 3: The Board authorized the Department of Family Services to apply and accept grant funding from the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services **Respite Care Initiative**.

Admin 4: The Board approved supplemental appropriations for the Police Department to accept grant funding from the National Highway Safety Administration through the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles **Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Initiative**.

ACTION ITEMS

Action 2: The Board approved the County's [FY2016-2022 Transit Development Plan](#) and authorized submission to the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Action 5: The Board authorized submission of Multimodal Project Grant Applications to **request funding for I-66 Express Bus Service inside the Beltway**.

Action 6: The Board endorsed comments on the **Transform 66 Inside the Beltway Project-Design**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority:

Update on the Metrorail inspections that have taken place since last night.

We have reached the 50% completion mark in the cable inspection process and Metro has already identified a half dozen areas where damaged jumper cables and connector boots are being replaced.

In the overnight and morning hours, Metro deployed 22 teams to inspect the third rail power system. Walking through miles of tunnel using 14 prime movers to move supplies and materials, the teams are inspecting 22 underground zones. The teams -- consisting of Metro employees, contractors, and outside electrical engineering experts -- are inspecting jumper cables, cable connecting boots, and the environment around the cables. The teams are looking for damaged cables, damaged boots, and debris near cables that could pose a fire hazard. Behind the inspection teams are 3 cable construction crews who are replacing and repairing any locations that are identified for immediate action.

Meanwhile, Metro's Safety investigators are reviewing the history of the damaged boots and cables we found. All findings will be shared with FTA (Federal Transit Administration) and NTSB (National Transportation Safety Board). Any changes to procedures, materials, and management of the third rail power system that is needed as a result of these findings will be made expeditiously at the conclusion of the investigation.

For our commuters this morning, travel on Metrobus was extremely heavy in some areas. About 50 additional buses were placed into service, largely on DC school routes, which reported no heavy crowding.

NOW SHOWING ON CHANNEL 16:

Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins

This month's cable show focuses on the County's new recycling regulations with Erica Carter, Public Works Environmental Services Specialist. [Check the Hunter Mill website](#) for broadcast times and link for video on demand.

USA Football and FCPS to Host Football Fundamentals Clinics for Youth Clubs:

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) and USA Football will host a hands-on instructional clinic to train youth club coaches in safer football techniques and fundamentals on Saturday, March 19, at Falls Church High School. FCPS football coaches will share the information they have learned on teaching football fundamentals to their players in an effort to make the game safer for student athletes. The goal of the day is to share information learned through USA Football's Heads Up Football program. The clinic is free, but attendees are required to [register online](#) in advance.

NV Rides-Reston Informational Session

Thursday, March 31, 11:00 a.m.

NV Rides-Reston will host a one-hour informational session to learn about issues facing non-driving seniors in our community. You will hear from one of our volunteer drivers. Join in on March 31st, at the Reston Community Center Lake Anne, 1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston. For information, or to RSVP, contact NV Rides at 703-537-3070, or ginac@nvrises.org.

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