



FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Chairman and Members
Park Authority Board

VIA: Kirk W. Kincannon, Director

FROM: Judy Pedersen, Public Information Officer

DATE: May 21, 2015

Agenda

Committee of the Whole
Wednesday, May 27, 2015 – 8 p.m.
Or immediately following the Board Meeting
Boardroom – Herrity Building
Chairman: William G. Bouie
Vice Chair: Ken Quincy

1. Consideration of Proposal to Establish the Harold L. Strickland Collaboration and Partnership Award – Discussion*

*Enclosures



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ACTION

Approval – Harold L. Strickland Partnership and Collaboration Award

ISSUE:

Approval of the creation of a new award to recognize those who work closely with the Park Authority to be called the Harold L. Strickland Partnership and Collaboration Award.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Director recommends that the Park Authority Board approve the creation of the Harold L. Strickland Partnership and Collaboration Award.

TIMING:

Board action is requested on June 10, 2015.

BACKGROUND:

Mr. Strickland, who has demonstrated the ability and willingness to collaborate with a host of youth sports organizations, non-profit groups and community representatives, as well as other government agencies and private sector developers in order to guarantee that Fairfax County parks maintain their standards in the provision of athletic fields, trails, dog parks, and other recreational amenities. In a climate of diminishing fiscal resources, his collaborative efforts have provided millions of dollars in alternative funding and project support.

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At the suggestion of the Park Authority Board Chairman this award has been developed and would honor Mr. Strickland as well as the many partners engaged with the Park Authority.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approximately \$200 for the award to be funded through the Park Foundation.

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ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:

Attachment 1: Draft Award Description

STAFF:

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DRAFT HAROLD L. STRICKLAND PARTNERSHIP AND COLLABORATION AWARD

The Fairfax County Park Authority Board is pleased to announce the establishment of the Harold L. Strickland Partnership and Collaboration Award. This award, established on _____, _____ 2015, recognizes the value and importance of teamwork and cooperation necessary to provide varied constituencies with state-of-the-art facilities in our Fairfax County parks, often at limited, reduced or no capital expense to the taxpayer.

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The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors honored Mr. Strickland for his many years of service on the Park Board by presenting him with the Lawrence V. Fowler Award in December 2010. The award recognizes the distinguished service of a longstanding member of a Fairfax County board, authority, commission, or committee whose exceptional accomplishments contributed to the overall high quality of life in the community.

As a board member, he brings substantial community experience, including 14 years of service as the Springfield, Providence, and Sully District representative to the Fairfax County Athletic Council, where he served two years as chairman. Mr. Strickland was the founding father of the sports-related Chantilly Youth Association, serving as president for 25 years. His contributions were recognized with the Outstanding Public Official Award from the National Association of County Park and Recreation officials.

Strickland Award nominees must demonstrate significant long term accomplishments that provide the residents of Fairfax County with tangible examples of the benefits of partnerships and collaborations that help to sustain or grow service to the community while reducing the need for Fairfax County Park Authority financial resources to accomplish the service delivery. Examples may include facilities, renovations or expansions, new programs, property acquisition and other relevant amenities to support

the park system. This award shall be given periodically as deemed appropriate by the Park Authority Board. Nominations will be considered by the Committee of the Whole.