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Braddock District Supervisor

The Braddock Beacon

Dear Neighbor,

I hope you'll join me, Congressman Gerry Connolly, and community members for a virtual Best of Braddock Awards Ceremony next Wednesday, December 8, at 7:00 p.m. Best of Braddock is an important Braddock District tradition and opportunity for us to come together to recognize our neighbors who are going the extra mile to improve their neighborhood and our broader community.

A selection committee of Braddock residents chose this year's winners in the following categories:

- Braddock District Citizen of the Year
- Young Person of the Year
- Organization Making a Difference in the Braddock District
- Neighborhood Beautification, Enhancement or Community-Building Effort

[Use this link to participate.](#) I hope to see you there!

Audrey Moore RECenter Survey

The Audrey Moore RECenter Renovation and Expansion **[Survey is now available](#)** until Friday, December 17. Please take the survey today and share it with a neighbor. Your feedback will help ensure that a renovated Audrey Moore Recenter meets the needs of the community for years to come. Learn more about the project and its timeline by visiting **[Fairfax County Park Authority's website](#)**.

River Otters Spotted in Long Branch

Did you know that we have otters in the Braddock District? A constituent spotted a family of River Otters at Long Branch Stream this Fall and shared photos. The **[North American River Otter is native to the Chesapeake Bay](#)** and the lakes, streams, and marshes throughout the watershed, including Long Branch Stream. They are remarkable swimmers, capable of remaining submerged for several minutes, dive to 55 feet, and swim up to a quarter of a mile underwater. They're playful and love to play and roll with each other.





River otters are extremely sensitive to water pollution, including plastic pollution. They need clean water with abundant prey. Let's ensure that our Long Branch river otters are here to stay and work together to [protect our watershed!](#)

Health Department Monitors Omicron Variant

By now you have probably heard about the COVID-19 Omicron Variant. The Fairfax County Health Department is closely monitoring the variant and has [joined the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) in their recommendation on booster doses for individuals who are 18 years and older.](#)

While vaccination remains the most important public health action to stop the spread of COVID-19, other [public health strategies](#) include:

- Wear masks consistently and correctly
- Stay at least six feet from others
- Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated spaces
- Wash hands often
- Stay home if you are infected with COVID-19 or if you have had close contact with someone with COVID-19
- Answer the call if contacted by a health department contact tracer (investigator) as part of a case investigation and contact tracing efforts
- Get tested if advised by public health staff or healthcare providers, or if experiencing [COVID-19 symptoms](#)
- Follow isolation or quarantine recommendations, which are critical steps to stop the spread of COVID-19
- In areas with substantial and high transmission (which includes the Northern Virginia region), CDC recommends that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) wear a mask in public indoor settings to help prevent the spread of COVID-19
- Review the [CDC travel guidance](#) before travelling to understand steps to take before, during and after travel

Yours in service,

Supervisor James Walkinshaw

Best of Braddock Awards



**JOIN BRADDOCK SUPERVISOR
JAMES R. WALKINSHAW**



**FOR THE ANNUAL
BEST OF BRADDOCK
AWARDS CEREMONY
ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8
AT 7:00 P.M.**

Meeting Link: <https://bit.ly/3HDZKAD>



Walkinshaw in the Community



Supervisor Walkinshaw celebrating the groundbreaking of the Monument Drive Garage and Transit Center alongside Chairman Jeff McKay, Sully Supervisor Kathy Smith, and the VDOT Team on November 18.



Supervisor Walkinshaw commemorating Veterans Day alongside Springfield VFW at the American Legion #176 on Amherst on November 11.



Supervisor Walkinshaw providing remarks at The Arc of Northern Virginia's annual meeting with Chairman Jeff McKay and Mount Vernon Supervisor Dan Storck on November 18.



Supervisor Walkinshaw picking up trash at the Americana Drive Veteran's Day Clean-up event alongside community volunteers on November 11.

Photo by: [Annandale Blog](#)

In November, Supervisor Walkinshaw also:

- Joined the Northern Virginia Regional Juvenile Justice Transformation Symposium on November 3
- Hosted a Parking Reimagined Town Hall on November 8
- Participated in Virginia Association of Counties' (VACO) Annual Conference from November 13 through November 16.
- Was interviewed by a Chantilly High school student reporter for an article on the upcoming plastic bag tax on November 17.

Citizen of the Month

The Braddock District Citizen of the Month for December is Amy Gould. On Veterans Day, Amy mobilized about 30 people to pick up trash alongside Americana Drive in concert with the Fairfax County Restoration Project (FCRP) and Friends of Accotink Creek (FACC). Incredibly, but not surprisingly, Amy and the volunteers filled nearly 100 large trash bags! Although this alone is a big accomplishment, it's not the first time Amy has organized a Veterans Day clean-up. In 2020, Amy and 15 volunteers braved through pouring rain and cleared multitudes of construction debris, trash, and objects along American Drive. Amy has helped organize these events and others for many years. Day in, and day out, Amy continues going the extra mile for her community. On behalf of the Braddock District, thanks for your work, Amy!



Community News

Santa's Ride Toy Drive

The Fairfax County Police Department has been collecting toys for children for more than 30 years, and this year, toys will be distributed to children at local hospitals and charities.

Residents interested in giving back to the community can donate new and unwrapped toys, books, or games now through Monday, December 13 at Fairfax County Police headquarters at the following locations:

- West Springfield District Station – 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield
- Fairfax County Government Center – 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax
- Sully District Station – 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly
- Mount Vernon District Station – 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria
- McLean District Station – 1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean
- Mason District Station – 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale
- Reston District Station – 1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston
- Franconia District Station – 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria
- Fair Oaks District Station – 12300 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax
- Pennino Building – 12011 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax
- Herrity Building – 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax

The Fairfax County police officers will deliver the toys to local hospitals on Wednesday, December 15, and Thursday, December 16. Consider donating!



New Submission Date for Barbara Varon Volunteer Nominations

The Barbara Varon award is given annually to a Fairfax County resident whose dedication to improving the community through volunteer service honors the memory of Barbara Varon, former Chairman of the Fairfax County Electoral Board. **The nomination process has been extended to Friday, December 15, 2021.**

Nominees must:

- Live in Fairfax County
- Demonstrate an appreciation for the diversity of our community's population
- Exhibit patriotism by participating in the electoral process, by educating others about all voters' rights and privileges, and/or by performing voter registration outreach

To be considered, nominees must perform all of the above activities in a voluntary capacity. [Download](#) a fillable PDF nomination form. Then select "save as" or "save target as."

- Learn more about Barbara Varon's service to Fairfax County and this award by visiting [Fairfax County's website](#).

How to Ensure Safety of Your Decks

Collapses and failures of decks, porches, and balconies accounted for about 2,900 injuries across the nation between 2016 and 2019, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Jay Riat, Fairfax County's building official, answers a few questions to help you ensure your decks are safe. "The health, safety and welfare of you and your family should never be compromised," said Riat.

➤ What is the Average Lifespan of a Deck?

Riat: The answer to this question varies. It depends on the materials used to build the deck, the quality of the work done by the builder, how the deck has been used and how often, how well the deck was maintained, and more. But, in general, if the deck was built and inspected to code and maintained properly, it should last 20 years or more.

➤ How Can I Ensure My Deck is Safe?

Riat: You should evaluate your deck annually and maintain it as recommended by your builder. Additionally, we recommend you regularly have it inspected by a licensed contractor. The older your deck, the more often you should have it inspected.

Read the [full interview with Jay Riat by visiting Fairfax County's NewsCenter](#).



Fairfax County Economic Development Authority

How has the COVID-19 pandemic reshaped the battle for attracting and retaining your workforce? What is motivating talent now? What are the top relocation factors? How important is training? Where do workers want to live?

On Tuesday, December 14 from 3:00 p.m. through 4:00 p.m., the Tech Talent Gap Community of the Northern Virginia Technology Council and the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA) Talent Initiative team are presenting [Robyn Domber](#), vice president of research at Development Counsellors International (DCI), who will showcase findings and recommendations from DCI's national Talent Wars 2021 research report.

[Register here](#) to attend the virtual presentation. You don't need to be an NVTC member to be part of this event.

The FCEDA and the NVTC are investing heavily in branding Northern Virginia as a great place for talent to work and live -- and they will share resources available to HR teams through the comprehensive Work in Northern Virginia initiative funded by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. Learn more by [visiting NVTC's website](#).



Made in Fairfax: Your 2021 Holiday Gift Guide

The Made in Fairfax network aims to be a one-stop shop for maker businesses and those who want to support them. The Made in Fairfax directory features dozens of artisans who create a variety of products in the county like custom furniture, baked goods, jewelry, and more.

This holiday season take "shop local" to new heights by directly supporting the makers of these gift-worthy products – created right here in Fairfax County, Virginia.

Shop local this holiday season using the [Made in Fairfax Gift Guide today](#).



Environmental News

Apply To Be A HomeWise Volunteer By December 10

Apply by December 10 to join a dynamic group of people dedicated to helping low- and moderate-income county residents save money on their utility bills by making energy and water-saving improvements to their homes. These volunteers also work with residents to create habits that will support energy and water conservation over time.

The [HomeWise program](#) offers a variety of volunteer opportunities. There is something for everyone, regardless of skill level or past experience. Volunteers receive 10 weeks of virtual training, culminating in a hands-on demonstration, before they are deployed into the community. Click here to find out if [volunteering with HomeWise](#) is right for you.



Friends of Lake Accotink Park Events

Friends of Lake Accotink Park (FLAP), an official partner of the Fairfax County Park Authority (FPCA), has a variety of events and activities on a monthly basis. FLAP's mission is to protect, restore, preserve, and educate the community concerning the natural, historical, and cultural resources of Lake Accotink Park. FLAP has plenty of ways for you to get involved, including:

➤ FLAP Membership Meeting

Want to see what FLAP is all about? Interested in helping their mission? Join their monthly membership meeting on Thursday, December 9 from 7:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. [using this meeting link](#).

➤ Monthly FLAP Lake Accotink Park Clean-up

Every second Sunday of the month, FLAP hosts a Lake Accotink Park clean-up from 9:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. Pick up your gloves, FLAP information, clean-up bags, tools, maps, and more at the sign-in table located at the marina. You will also be loaned a FLAP Safety Vest. Volunteer four times and received Your own safety vest to personalize. [Register today](#).

➤ Caring for the Pollinator Garden

Every second Sunday of the month, FLAP hosts a Margaret Kinder Pollinator Garden clean-up session in Lake Accotink Park. The garden is adjacent to the marina. Join and work alongside our experts as they care for the pollinator plants, watering, and general clean-up. FLAP will provide the tools and gloves, or you can bring your own. [Register today](#).

Special Note:

FLAP Board & Committee positions are open. Consider making a difference for a few hours a month! Accepting candidates. Send an email to Contact@flapaccotink.org for more information.

Compliance Corner



Outdoor Storage

Do you know about Fairfax County's Outdoor Storage regulations?

- Under Article 4 of the Zoning Ordinance, in residential areas, outdoor storage must:
 - ♦ not be located in any front yard; and
 - ♦ not exceed 100 square feet in area.
- Vehicles and other items covered by a tarps are considered outdoor storage.
- Construction materials and equipment may only be stored on residential property if the property owner has a valid building permit and work is in progress on the same property.
- Items stored in the open bed of a vehicle or trailer are regulated as outdoor storage and must comply with the associated regulations.
- Commercial and industrial districts:

In the C-5 through C-8 and the I-3 and I-4 Districts, 500 square feet of outdoor storage or display of goods may be permitted accessory to another use, subject to the use standards for those districts and any proffered condition or similar zoning approval. Additional area may be allowed with development plan or site plan approval.



Fairfax County Department of Code Compliance
12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035
Phone: 703-324-1300, TTY 711
Web: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/code



To request this information in an alternate format, call the Department of Code Compliance.

This Fairfax County, VA Publication (published July 2021) summarizes a few regulations. See relevant codes for specific requirements.

Transportation Updates

Post Forest Drive and Random Hills Road Shared-Use Paths - Virtual Design Public Hearing

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) welcomes you to the Post Forest Drive and Random Hills Road Shared-Use Paths virtual design public hearing. The hearing will be held Tuesday, December 14, at 7:00 p.m. (in case an alternate date is needed, the meeting will be held Wednesday, January 5, at the same time). You can [register here](#). The project team will make a short presentation beginning at 7:00 p.m. and answer questions for about an hour after the presentation. Please note: Google Chrome, Firefox, Safari or Microsoft Edge is recommended for this platform.

To call in without registering and participate in listen-only mode:

+1-877-309-2074

Access code: 881-684-504

VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects, and VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet will be included in the meeting materials, and your input is encouraged. All oral and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens, and other interested parties.

Provide your comments by January 3, 2022, in the following ways:

- online during the virtual meeting
- Via Email: meetingcomments@vdot.virginia.gov
- (Please reference "Post Forest/Random Hills Shared Use Path" in the subject line)
- By mail: Ms. Hong "Jenny" Ha. Virginia Department of Transportation 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030
- By phone: (703) 259-2907
- In person: During business hours at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office (4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030)



Older Adults



Lifetime Learning Institute (LLI/NOVA) invites you to join their Spring Term

Lifetime Learning Institute (LLI/NOVA) invites you to be part of its exciting spring term 2022 and to participate in our other activities, including monthly forums, day trips, classes, special interest groups and social activities. Spring term is from January 3-May 27, 2022, but your dues provide unlimited access to all activities for a full year.

At \$110 per year, LLI/NOVA is one of the best bargains around- a full year of unlimited classes, access to travel at special rates, participation in forums, parties, field trips, and special interest groups, and an opportunity to learn new things and develop friendships with like-minded members.

The Lifetime Learning Institute of Northern Virginia, affiliated with Northern Virginia Community College's Annandale Campus, is a non-profit, member-run organization dedicated to providing continuing educational opportunities to older adults age 50+.

Join LLI/NOVA and [register online on their website](#). Contact LLI/NOVA at (703) 323-3746 or email at admin@llinova.org.

Walk-in Tech Clinic at the Burke Centre Library

The Fairfax County Public Library (FCPL) will provide walk-in help with eBooks, mobile devices, and basic computer skills on Monday, December 6 from 2:00 p.m. through 3:30 p.m. Interested individuals should bring device account IDs and passwords. [Learn more by visiting FCPL's website](#).

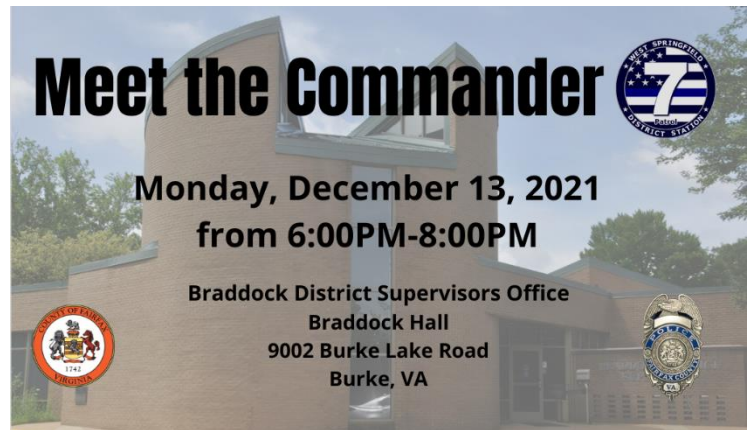


Public Safety

Meet the Commander Event

Join Captain Gregory Malarkey of the West Springfield District Station and Captain Justin Palenscar of the Animal Services Division for a Meet the Commander event. The event will be held on December 13, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. at the **Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA** (In the Kings Park Library/Braddock District Supervisors building). Also joining them will be Supervisor James Walkinshaw representing the Braddock District, 1LT Lorian LaBarca, Assistant Commander of the West Springfield District Station, and Supervisor Pat Herrity representing the Springfield District.

This event is open to the entire community. There will be no speeches or agenda, just a chance to meet the leaders who serve Fairfax County. You will be able to ask questions, raise concerns, or just talk with each of them. If there are any questions, feel free to contact PFC Tony Capizzi at (703) 277-2363 or **Anthony.capizzi@fairfaxcounty.gov**. We look forward to seeing you there.



Special Note: All Patrol Commanders in Fairfax County will host a Meet the Commander Event on the same night and time. Braddock District residents who reside within the **Fairfax Oaks District Station** are encouraged to attend the event hosted at the **Providence Community Center** with Station Commander Captain Camille Stewart and Assistant Commander Andrew Wehrlen on Monday, December 13 from 6:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m.

Three Easy Steps to Report Streetlight Outages

Now that it's getting darker earlier, it's more important than ever local streetlights are working properly. Streetlights, like light bulbs at home, don't last forever. One way you can help is by reporting streetlight outages in your neighborhood and in other areas you frequent.

Three Steps to Report a Streetlight Outage:

- 1) Look for the pole ID number, which can be **found on the pole**
- 2) If you can't find the pole number or if you notice a streetlight outage while driving, **use the online streetlight locator tool** to find pole numbers. Zoom in on the map to see streetlight locations
- 3) After finding the streetlight on the map, report it online in the link provided on the map.



Human Services Corner

Annandale United Methodist Church Seeks Donations

The Annandale United Methodist Church's Mission Center hosts a weekly food distribution, and they are requesting donations of gently used children's coats of all ages and sizes. They will also accept empty egg cartons (1 dozen container), and adult diapers of all sizes, they will take partially opened packages.

Want to help? You can drop off your donations at the Annandale UMC Mission Center at [**7901 Heritage Dr. Annandale VA, 22003**](#), Monday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m. If the Mission Center is closed or no one is available, there are 2 donation boxes located outside the two red doors where items can be left. You may also drop off your donations at the Braddock District office at [**9002 Burke Lake Rd. Burke, VA 22015**](#), Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. A donation box will also be located outside the Braddock District office for after-hours drop offs.

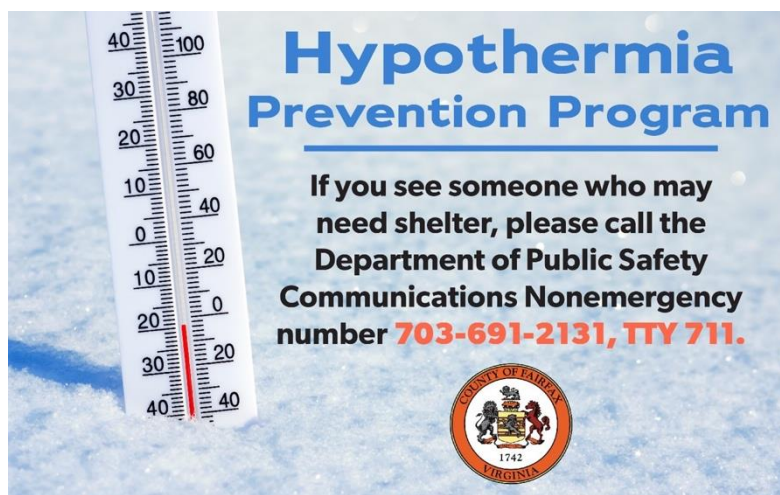
If you have any questions, please contact Irma Mejia-Lewis at the Braddock District office at (703) 425-9300.

Hypothermia Prevention Program

The Fairfax County [**Hypothermia Prevention Program**](#) for people experiencing homelessness begins on December 1, 2021. Since 2005, the program has prevented death and serious injuries among our most vulnerable residents by ensuring that no one must sleep outside during the winter months. This program - available to any adult in need of immediate shelter - provides warm shelter, food, and other supportive services to help connect guests to a variety of basic needs such as clothing, employment, housing, and more. It remains a highly effective partnership between government, nonprofits, and the faith community.

All NCS [**Community**](#), [**Teen**](#), and [**Senior Centers**](#) are warming centers. Center staff are prepared to accommodate any community walk-in needs during our operating hours.

For more information on the program and hypothermia, see the [**Office to Prevent and End Homelessness website**](#).



Children's Corner

Step Up 4 Kids Caring 4 Kids Video Series

The Step Up 4 Kids Caring 4 Kids video series is designed to help adults understand how they can support children and families that may be facing challenging events. The videos deal with children who experience:

- Domestic violence
- Child abuse and neglect
- Mental health concerns
- Childhood trauma

An adult does not need special training to support a child and help them find additional resources they may need!

Each video does four things:

- They explain the hardship or adversity
- They help adults learn warning signs of the hardship
- They teach how the difficulty can impact a child over time; and, most importantly
- How adults can help a child about whom they may be concerned

After viewing the videos, visit the following pages to learn more about available resources and how to help a child:

- Children and Domestic Violence: [Step Up 4 Kids](#) and [Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline](#)
- Child Abuse and Neglect: [Department of Family Services Children and Families](#)
- Children and Mental Health: [Healthy Minds Fairfax](#) and [Community Services Board](#)
- Children and Trauma: [3 to Succeed](#)



Watch the first video of the series above. Find [additional videos here](#).

Land Use & Development

UPCOMING MEETINGS & HEARINGS

Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting

- December 14 at 7:00 p.m. – virtual

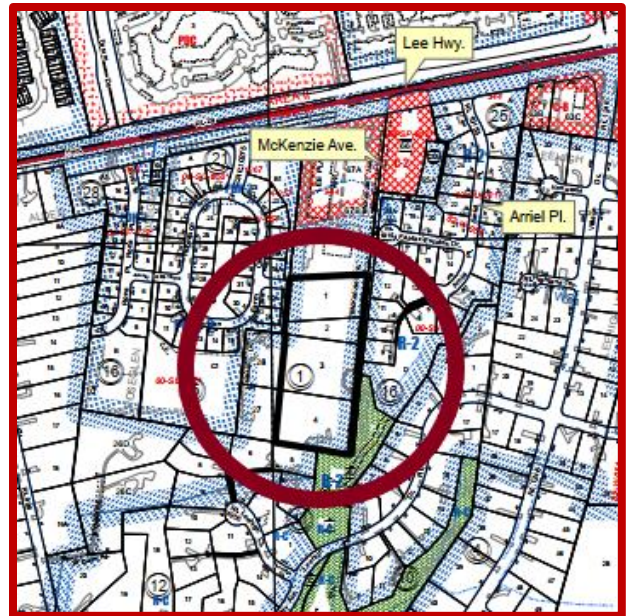
Community Meeting on Day Property Rezoning Proposal

- January 31 at 7:00 p.m. - virtual

Application to Redevelop McKenzie Avenue Properties Scheduled for February 2 Planning Commission Hearing

Earlier this year, Sekas Homes, Ltd. filed an application to rezone 6.51 acres of land located along McKenzie Avenue, south of its intersection with Lee Highway in Fairfax. The land consists of four properties developed with three vacant single-family homes and several outbuildings.

The applicant has proposed rezoning the property from R-1 to R-2 Cluster to allow 11 new lots developed with single-family dwellings. The development is being called Marshall Hills. Access would be provided through a new public street extending from an existing stub off Robertson Farm Circle. The development would also connect to Lee Plaza Center just west of KinderCare, which would provide a second access point through the shopping center parking lot. McKenzie Avenue would be closed and revegetated. Stormwater management is proposed to be handled through installation of an underground vault facility.



At a meeting held by Supervisor Walkinshaw on October 25, community members raised questions about removal of trees, on-street parking, additional traffic through Robertson Farm, and access through Lee Plaza Center. The applicant responded that they are just short of meeting the tree preservation target. Because it is narrower in width, no on-street parking would be permitted in the area of the existing stub from Robertson Farm Circle. Future interparcel access to Lee Plaza Center was provided as a condition associated with approval of the KinderCare facility.

Because of a paperwork issue, the Planning Commission hearing in this case has been rescheduled for February 2, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. Community groups or individuals who are interested in providing testimony on this application are encouraged to do so. Information on

how to testify may be found on the [Planning Commission website](#). The application number is RZ 2021-BR-009. No date has been set for a hearing of the Board of Supervisors.



Waples Mill Road, looking south toward intersection with Lee Highway, showing proposed new Public Storage building at top left

Public Storage Rezoning Application Under Consideration

On October 25, the Board of Supervisors approved a Plan Amendment which would allow self-storage use at the northwest corner of Lee Highway and Waples Mill Road. This paved the way for consideration of an application filed by Public Storage Southeast One, Inc. to consolidate the corner parcel with their existing self-storage property and rezone the corner lot into the I-5 District.

Public Storage is proposing to remove the vacant house and contractor's yard on the corner property, demolish one row of its existing single-story self-storage bays, and construct a climate-controlled five-story, 63-foot tall self-storage facility of approximately 150,000 square feet on the southeast corner of the site (see illustration). The building would be red brick with stucco accents and spandrel glass windows to resemble the nearby residential and office buildings. A subdued, darker-colored brick and white lettering would be used for signage. The area near the existing office and lighthouse at the south end of one of the existing single-story buildings would also be demolished and a new office with up to 1,500 square feet and reconfigured parking area would be constructed.

The applicant is proposing to develop a new pocket park, which would be open to the public, adjacent to the existing pocket park on the interior portion of the block. It would include a dog park with seating and a children's play area. Trails on the site would be upgraded. The existing service road along Lee Highway, currently being used for parking of commercial vehicles, including food trucks and contractors' equipment, would be removed and replaced with landscaping and a pedestrian pathway. Additional landscaping, including natural landscape features, would be provided around the new building. The doors of the existing single-story building along Waples Mill Road would be painted a brick color, with alternating decorative art panels along the façade. The stormwater management system for the site would be upgraded and would include an underground storage facility.

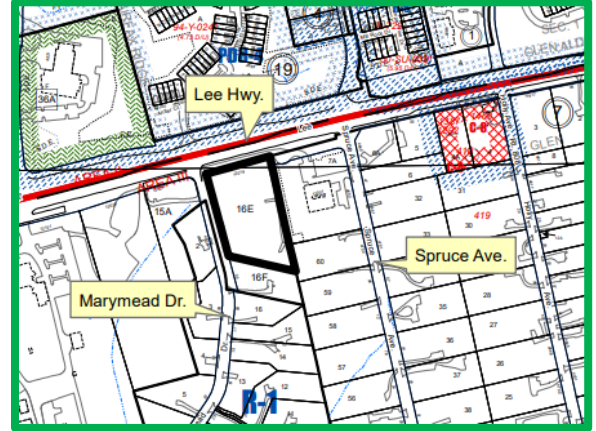
A Planning Commission hearing on the rezoning application is scheduled for February 2, 2022. Information on how to testify may be found on the [Planning Commission website](#). The

application number is RZ 2020-BR-003. No date has been set for a hearing of the Board of Supervisors.

Child Care Facility Proposed for 12019 Lee Highway

A Special Exception application has been filed by NLD Fairfax, LLC to permit a child care center at 12019 Lee Highway. This 2.32-acre site is located south of Lee Highway between Spruce Avenue and Marymead Drive. It is currently developed with a single-family dwelling, with the remainder of the property as open space.

The applicant has proposed an Everbrook Academy, operated by child care provider Learning Care Group, Inc. The facility would be approximately 13,000 square feet with a 12,500-square foot play area to the rear of the building. Access would be provided from the Lee Highway service road. Enrollment would be up to 151 children at any one time, and they would have 26 employees. Thirty-six parking spaces are proposed. Hours of operation would be from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Community members have expressed concern about traffic movement and safety at the intersection of Marymead Drive and Lee Highway. The service road along Lee Highway that would provide access to the site is now used by clients of the neighboring Sparkles! child care center. Because the intersection does not have a traffic signal, residents find it difficult to make a left turn onto Lee Highway from Marymead Drive and are concerned that the additional traffic generated by the proposed use would worsen the situation.

Revised plans submitted by the applicant in August proposed moving the entrance to the new facility further south on Marymead Drive. This revision would also remove the existing portion of the service road and instead provide access to Spruce Avenue and Marymead Drive for both the new child care facility and Sparkles! through connected parking areas. The applicant stated that these plans are intended to improve safety by limiting vehicular conflicts at the intersection of Marymead Drive and Lee Highway.

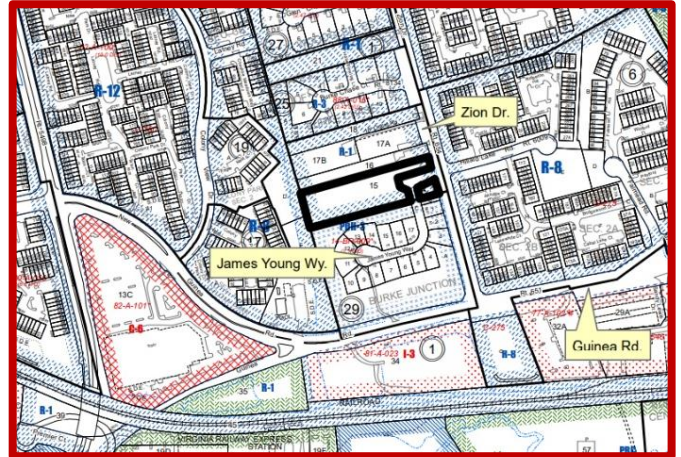
In mid-November, the applicant submitted additional details on the circulation/access strategy, proposed pedestrian improvements, and confirmation that the plans meet the stormwater and tree canopy requirements.

A Planning Commission hearing on this application has been rescheduled for February 2, 2022, in order to allow sufficient time for staff review. Community groups or individuals who are interested in providing testimony on this application are encouraged to do so. Information on how to testify may be found on the [Planning Commission website](#). The application number is SE 2021-BR-007.

Development Proposed for Day Property on Zion Drive

A rezoning proposal has been filed for 10121 Zion Drive, a vacant and undeveloped site known as the Day property. This 2.51-acre site is located on the west side of Zion Drive, just north of its intersection with Guinea Road and adjacent to the Burke Junction community. The applicant has proposed rezoning the property from the R-1 District to the PDH-3 District to permit the development of seven single-family detached homes. Access to the property would be provided from James Young Way, which connects to Zion Drive opposite Hillard Lake Road and links to the Burke Junction neighborhood to the south. A new private street would connect to the public road. Although the property to the north is not part of this rezoning, the applicant has proposed reserving an area for future interparcel access.

The applicant has stated that the proposed layout, design, and lot sizes would be compatible with the surrounding community. Three areas of open space would be provided, with the largest area consisting of tree save adjacent to the Resource Protection Area along the western property line. The development would include a bioretention area to provide treatment for both water quantity and quality. Water flow not captured onsite is proposed to be intercepted by facilities in the Burke Junction community.



The Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will hear a presentation on the proposed rezoning at its December 14 meeting. Supervisor Walkinshaw will be hosting a virtual community meeting on the proposal on Monday, January 31, at 7:00 p.m. The link will be available in the January Braddock Beacon and on the Braddock District website. A Planning Commission hearing has been scheduled for May 2022.

Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting

The Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will hold an electronic meeting on Tuesday, December 14, at 7:00 p.m. The agenda will include a presentation of the Day property rezoning proposal and updates on pending Braddock District cases. Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee meetings are open to the public and interested residents are encouraged to participate. Join [online](#) or by phone: (571) 429-5982, Phone Conference ID: 730 922 969#.

Participate in the Site-Specific Plan Amendment Process Community Survey

The county is evaluating potential changes to the Site-Specific Plan Amendment (SSPA) process and wants to hear from you. The SSPA is the public's opportunity to participate in Fairfax County's land use planning by submitting and reviewing proposed land use changes for individual sites. A [community survey](#) is being conducted to gather residents' thoughts and priorities for future long-range planning studies. The survey is open through Friday, December 10, and is available in English, Spanish, Korean, as well as other languages. Take part in the survey and provide your input.

Cases Filed with the Board of Zoning Appeals

The Fairfax County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) hears and makes decisions on requests for variances (relief from specific zoning regulations such as lot width, building height, or minimum yard requirements) and Special Use Permits. It meets on Wednesdays beginning at 9:00 a.m. BZA meetings are aired live on the county government's cable TV Channel 16. Residents who have concerns about an application are encouraged to submit a letter for the record or testify at the hearing on the case in person, by telephone, or by pre-submitted video. For information on how to submit comments or testify, please visit the [Board of Zoning Appeals website](#). These matters will not come before the Board of Supervisors but will be decided by the BZA. Staff reports are normally available online a week before the scheduled hearing.

Please note that in some cases, two application numbers may be listed. The first one is the number that was assigned in the old system and the second is the number in the new Planning and Land Use System, or PLUS, which came online for zoning applications on July 1, 2021. Applications submitted before July 1 continue to be available in the old system, but many have been assigned a new number, as well. Applications submitted after July 1 will only be available in the PLUS system. The new system allows users to create and submit applications online, pay fees, track the status of applications, and receive electronic notifications. It also offers more information to the public and does so in real time. Visit the [PLUS Information and Support website](#) for more information on this new land use platform.

➤ **JoAnn M. Majesky and Path for Healing, LLC – 7700 Carrleigh Parkway, Springfield
SP-2021-BR-052**

The applicant requested a Special Permit to operate a home-based psychotherapy office. The hours of operation would be 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Fifteen to 17 patients are seen a week, with some expected to continue virtual visits. The office would be located in the basement, with entry from the rear of the house. Parking would be in the driveway. This application was approved by the BZA on December 1, with modifications to the development conditions. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Wayne J. Campagna – 8333 Chapel Lake Court, Annandale
SP 2021-BR-062**

The applicant requested approval for a reduction in setback requirements to permit addition of a screened porch 13.3 feet from the rear lot line. This application was approved by the BZA on December 1, with modifications to the development conditions. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Erwan Dapoigny & Sandra P. Lukic-Dapoigny – 4217 Holborn Avenue, Annandale
VC 2021-BR-007**

The applicants are seeking a Variance to allow an accessory structure (treehouse) in a front yard, located 13.9 feet from a front lot line, to remain. This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on January 5, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Donald T. Stemetzki & Kathleen M. Stemetzki – 7813 Glenister Drive, Springfield
SP 2021-BR-058**

The applicants are seeking a reduction in setback requirements to allow a carport located 2.4 feet from the side lot line to remain. This application has been scheduled for a BZA

hearing on January 26, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Laurie Hyde Boulden – 7522 Inzer Street, Springfield**
SP 2021-BR-079

The applicant is seeking a reduction in setback requirements based on error in building location to permit an accessory structure (shed) that is 15'9" in height to remain 1.1 feet from the side lot line, for a deck to remain 0.5 feet from the east side lot line, and for a second deck to remain 0.75 feet from the west side lot line. This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on February 2, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Alberto Gonzalo Acha – 7517 Hamlet Street, Springfield**
SP 2021-BR-063/SP-2021-BR-088

The applicant is seeking a reduction in setback requirements based on errors in building location to permit an addition 6.6 feet from the side lot line, a 7.2-foot high deck that is 6.6 feet from the side lot line, and an accessory structure (shed) that is 1.7 feet from the side lot line and 5.7 feet from the rear lot line. The BZA hearing on this application has been deferred until February 9, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Bhardwaj Tushar – 4700 Ox Road, Fairfax**
VC-2021-BR-00010

The applicant is seeking a Variance to reduce the setback from 40 feet to 20 feet on the Ox Road side of this corner property to allow construction of a 6,000-square foot house. The BZA hearing on this application has been deferred until February 9, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Daniel Forlai – 12219 Rowan Tree Drive, Fairfax**
SP 2021-BR-00132

The applicant is seeking a reduction in setback requirements to permit an addition 20.1 feet from the front lot line adjacent to Pheasant Ridge Road and 37.7 feet from the front lot line adjacent to Rowan Tree Drive. This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on February 9, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Daniel Forlai – 12219 Rowan Tree Drive, Fairfax**
VC 2021-BR-008

The applicant is seeking a Variance to allow a freestanding accessory structure (shed) to remain in a front yard on a lot less than 36,000 square feet in area. This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on February 9, 2022. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

If you have questions regarding these land use cases or any other issues of concern to you, please email braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov or call the Braddock District office at (703) 425-9300.