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Neighborhood College Returns

After a three year absence, Neighborhood College is back! The eight-week course teaches how the county works for all of us and how you can make it work for your community. Course sessions include “Code Compliance and Zoning,” “Family Services and Mental Health,” “Police and Emergency Management,” and the top favorites, “Storm Water Management and Solid Waste Management.”

You will have the opportunity to ask County Staff questions and hear how they make our county run. This year we will include special sessions for HOAs and Civic Associations, as well as an overview of Roberts Rules of Order and how to run a meeting.

Classes will be held Thursday evenings, beginning April 5 through May 24 at a location to be determined. If you have attended a neighborhood college in the past, please spread the word and let your friends and neighbors know how valuable this opportunity is. Register soon, since in the past Neighborhood College slots have filled up quickly. Contact Ann Sharp at 703-425-9300 or ann.sharp@fairfaxcounty.gov for more information and to register.



Supervisor Cook has served on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors since 2009 and lives in Kings Park with his wife and six children.

FY2019 Budget Town Hall Meeting

I will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting on the 2019 budget with County Staff to hear your opinions on the budget plan proposed by the County Executive. The meeting will take place on March 14, 2018 at 7:30 PM in Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015 (accessed through the back entrance of the Kings Park Library). It will be held in conjunction with the Braddock District Council meeting and will feature staff members from the Office of Management and Budget. You may also submit your comments to my office at Braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-425-9300. I want to hear your opinions and will keep them in mind prior to making a final decision on the budget.

Fairfax County Executive Bryan Hill presented his budget proposal last month to the Board of Supervisors marking the beginning of budget season. He recommended a real estate tax rate increase of 2.5 cents (from \$1.13 to \$1.155 per \$100 of assessed value). This increase would fully fund the Fairfax County Public Schools' request and the County employee compensation plan. This plan would also cover many of the Board of Supervisors' priorities (including Diversion First and Gang Prevention). The average Fairfax County resident would see \$268 added to their tax bill. You can find more details on the proposed FY2019 budget [here](#).

This significant increase gives me some real concerns. This budget plan funds top Board priorities such as Diversion First and increased teachers' salaries. However, I would have preferred to see some proposals for reductions in non-priority programs as a better way of funding key priorities.

The County Executive's proposal is only the first step in our budget process. Your opinion matters. I look forward to hearing your thoughts on this year's budget and tax rates.

Community Input is Key on Whether to Save Lake Accotink

The future of Lake Accotink is in your hands. Sediment from construction and other man made actions is threatening Lake Accotink's existence and it will cost a considerable amount of money to maintain it.

The Park Authority has presented six options for the future of Lake Accotink. However, the options that save the lake and its watersport recreations will require dredging that will cost between \$29 and \$45 million. The Park Authority cannot fund this scale of a project on its own. In order to save the lake, the Board of Supervisors would have to allocate the funding within the General Fund Budget, most likely through a bond called a capital expenditure. I need your comments and input on whether the Board should allocate the funding for the options that save the lake, or let the lake fill in whole or in part under other options.

I held a joint meeting with Supervisor Jeff McKay last month at Lake Braddock Secondary School to discuss the options and their impact to the community. Over 200 people attended, including members of the newly formed Save Lake Accotink group and Friends of Lake Accotink Park.

Community members asked questions and spoke about their concerns with the options' effects on property values, ecosystem, and wildlife. Some introduced great ideas for alternatives to the proposed options. Many others gave heartfelt testimony on how important the lake was to our community. Everyone came together to figure out which option will best serve the community for years to come.

I cannot stress enough how much we need your input on these decisions. Whatever option is chosen will have major financial, environmental, recreational, and community impacts. Option A is the "do nothing" option that the lake will fill in on its own by 2025 and become a marshland. Option B proposes the current maintenance method of dredging the lake every 15 years, at a cost of \$29 million each time. Option C keeps the lake at its current 50 acre size with an initial \$45 million full dredging. This would be a deep dredge and would be followed by the construction of mini lakes, called forebays, which would capture incoming sediment and protect the main lake from filling up with sediment. These forebays would need to be dredged annually, but at a relatively small cost. Option D is a cheaper, but temporary option that has beaver dams built upstream to collect sediment. The issue is that the dams would fill up with in five years and would leave us in the same place we are now. Option E would transform the lake into a stream valley by removing the dam structure. The initial cost would be \$11 million with minor annual expenditures to maintain vegetation. Option F is a compromise of the other options that cuts the lake in half and redirects the stream around it. This would cost \$13,218,000 to implement. You can access the full presentation from the Park Authority here for more details.

Whether you like to fish on the lake, boat with your friends, run on the trails, or watch the birds in the woods, each option impacts these activities one or another. Options A and E would remove watersport and change the ecosystem significantly. Meanwhile Option F will limit the amount of water recreation activities. The dredging required to keep the lake would require significant construction activities and the potential of significant truck traffic to remove sediment. This decision is too important to leave up to chance, which is why I ask once again for your input.

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My office will host another community meeting in late this spring to provide updates to the community and open the floor for discussion. The Park Authority has extended the comment period on the future of Lake Accotink until May 28. You can submit comments to my office directly at braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov. You can also take part in the Parks Department survey for the Lake Accotink Master Plan or email the department your concerns at parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

What To Do If You Have Storm Damage

There has been a significant amount of home and car damage related to the wind storm. If you have a safety concern, only call 9-1-1 for emergencies; otherwise call 703-691-2131.

If your power is out, contact your provider:

- Dominion Power, call 1-866-366-4357; online at www.dom.com/outage-center
- NOVEC, call 1-888-335-0500; online at www.novec.com/stormcenter

Here are some tips and resources to help you with storm damage:

Insurance

- Contact your insurance company or agent to report any claim that you may have.
- If you do not know your insurance company's telephone number or otherwise need assistance, contact the Bureau of Insurance at 804-71-9741 or toll-free 1-800-552-7945, or email bureauofinsurance@scc.virginia.gov.
- If you experience problems contacting your insurance company, you need to be persistent. Some insurance companies may have problems with their phone lines due to a high volume of calls, etc.
- Take pictures of your damaged property so that these can be given to your insurance company. You should also save any receipts for repair costs and do anything that is appropriate to prevent any further damage to your property.
- If you experience problems in getting your claims paid or have general insurance questions, the bureau has specially trained representatives that can provide you assistance.

Get [more information on insurance from the Virginia State Corporation Commission](#).

Contractors

The aftermath of severe storm damage often results in an increase in consumer complaints resulting from contractor fraud or shoddy repairs by unlicensed contractors. If you have a question contact Consumer Affairs at 703-222-8435, TTY 711, to speak to a consumer specialist. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

- Always ask to see a copy of a contractor's license from the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR). You can visit [DPOR's website](#) to check for a valid contractor's license or call 804-367-8511, TTY 711. Any contractor seeking work through home solicitation must carry a solicitor license issued by the [Fairfax County Department of Cable and Consumer Services](#).
- Call the Fairfax County Department of Land Development Services Permits Branch, at 703-222-0801, TTY 711, to determine whether a permit is necessary for the intended work. Ask for information on each contractor's licensing and disciplinary status.
- Obtain bids from three contractors, ask for three references from each and find out if the contractor provided a monetary discount or payment in exchange for using a consumer as a reference.
- Information on filing a complaint: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/consumercomplaint/.

Cook in the Community

February 6: Ravensworth Farms Community Association Lake Accotink Meeting: Supervisor Cook attended the RFCA's meeting to discuss the Lake Accotink options being considered by the County.

February 9: Chapel Lake Dam Meeting with County Staff and Neighbors: Supervisor Cook attended the meeting to hear about community concerns and answer questions about the Chapel Lake Dam.

February 10: Chinese New Year Festival: Supervisor Cook celebrated the Year of the Dog by speaking at the 11th Annual Chinese New Year Festival Ceremony this Saturday at Luther Jackson Middle School.



February 12: Roberts Road Community Meeting: Supervisor Cook met with Braddock residents at Oak View Elementary School to discuss the proposed residential development off of Roberts Road and Braddock Braddock Road.

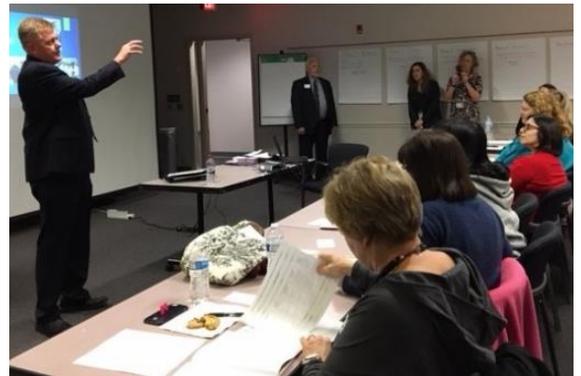
February 13: Make the Call: Supervisor Cook and Chairman Sharon Bulova presented the newest Make the Call Ad Campaign on Fairfax Connector busses to raise awareness of the County's Domestic Violence hotline. Supervisor Cook is the chairman of the Domestic Violence Prevention and Policy Coordinating Council (DVPPCC) that put together this campaign.

February 13: Lake Accotink Community Meeting with Supervisor Cook and Supervisor Jeff McKay: Supervisor Cook hosted a community meeting at Lake Braddock Secondary School to discuss the options for the future of Lake Accotink. For more information please read this month's front page story.

February 14: Braddock District Council Meeting with School Board Member Megan McLaughlin: Supervisor Cook attended the monthly Braddock District Council meeting, which featured Megan McLaughlin as its special guest to discuss the Fairfax County School Board's role in education and its priorities for the year ahead.

February 21: Supervisor Cook Speaks with Boy Scout Troop 1131: Supervisor Cook met with Boy Scout Troop 1131 and spoke with them about his role as a County Supervisor, how local government serves the people, and the importance of community engagement.

February 26: [Welcoming Inclusion Network's \(WIN\) First Stake Holder Meeting:](#) Supervisor Cook attended WIN's inaugural meeting as Chairman of the group's steering committee. WIN is a group of Fairfax County residents who are committed to advancing employment and day services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.



Braddock Neighborhood News

Supervisor Cook hosts a monthly television show, Braddock Neighborhood News, on Fairfax County Channel 16, which is available on most cable networks. Supervisor Cook invites special guests to cover important topics on important matters that affect the Braddock District. This month's episode will discuss Restorative Justice Techniques used in Fairfax County. The special guests are Bob Bermingham, Court Service Unit Director, Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, and Derwin Overton, Executive Director for (OAR) Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources of Fairfax County, Inc. Episodes air on Sundays at 5 p.m., Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and Fridays at 5 p.m. You may also watch the episodes online.

Community News

Rescheduled Independent Pool and Swim Club Meeting

Supervisor Cook has rescheduled the meeting for independent pools and swim clubs and invited you to join him on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:30 PM. This meeting provides the leaders of swim clubs the opportunity to talk with one another about the challenges and successes that they experience, as well as to talk with Supervisor Cook and County staff regarding changes in regulations and opportunities for improvement that affect swim clubs. These meetings have been well attended in the past, and we hope to see many of you again. This meeting will take place in Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015. To RSVP please feel free to call Ann Sharp at 703-425-9300 or email her at Ann.Sharp@fairfaxcounty.gov.

While many of the questions that come up are particular to independent clubs, HOAs that have pools may find this to be a helpful meeting, too.

We hope you'll be able to send a representative to this year's meeting!

2018 Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs

You are invited to participate in the 2018 Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs and Resume Building Workshops. First jobs are important and these events help connect teens and employers face to face and prepare our youth for the workforce.

These fairs will focus on student job seekers (approximately ages 16 to 18) looking for full time employment, after-school employment, seasonal positions, internship opportunities, or volunteer experiences. It is open to all teens in Fairfax County looking for employment or wanting tips to build their resume.

Businesses and organizations have the opportunity to showcase their companies, brand their business in the local community, and advertise the positions they have available. It does not cost to participate. Businesses and organizations seeking to secure space at the job fair should [click here](#) to fill out the application form.

Saturday, March 10th

1 pm to 3 pm

Woodson High School (Fairfax)

Co-sponsored by Supervisor Pat Herrity, Supervisor Linda Smyth, Supervisor John Cook, Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, and Woodson High School

Braddock District Tree Forum 2018: How to Protect and Preserve Trees in Our Yards and Neighborhoods

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 from 7:30-9:30 pm, Kings Park Library conference room (9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015). For questions please email braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov

- Introductory remarks: Patrick Gooley, Legislative Assistant for Braddock Supervisor John C. Cook and Jeanne Kadet, Braddock District Tree Commissioner
- The Benefits of Trees: Jim McGlone, Urban Forest Conservationist, Virginia Department of Forestry
- Braddock's Trees and Urban Forest: Current Issues: Keith Cline, Director, Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Division
- What's Bugging Our Urban Forest? Pests and Diseases Affecting Our Trees: Joan Allen and Rachel Griesmer-Zakhar, Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Division
- Great Native Trees for Homeowners: Alan Ford, President, Potowmack Chapter of the Virginia Native Plant Society

Before and after the program, please visit sponsor tables and pick up brochures on tree care

****Be sure to pick up a raffle ticket and stay for the drawing at the conclusion of the program to win a free native tree seedling****

You can check out the [website](#) to learn more about the Tree Commission as well as many other county resources to help you care for our Trees.

George Mason University Offers Free Speakers to Community Organizations

Is your club or organization interested in having a speaker? The George Mason University Mason Speakers program is comprised of over 100 faculty and staff who provide lectures and guest presentations on hundreds of topics to organizations and businesses free of charge. Rotary clubs, retirement communities and businesses that offer “lunch and learns” have been using this service for over 20 years. Favorite topics range from “Joint Health: You Rest, You Rust” to “Forty Years of Exploration of the Surface of Mars.” For more information, visit: <https://masonspeakers.gmu.edu/> or contact Sarah Gallagher at 703-993-8761; sgallag5@gmu.edu.

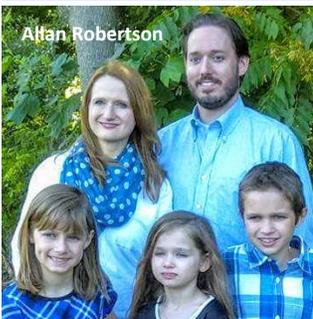
Constituent Services Stories

This section is designed to inform you of some of the constituent work done by Supervisor Cook’s office over the last month. Your tax dollars are hard at work!

A constituent with disabled son was concerned about change in dental care his son was receiving since the closure of the Northern Virginia Training Center. Our office put him in touch with the right connections at the Community Services Board and the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health & Development Services to discuss his concerns.

Another constituent called wanting to know what to do when a solicitor does not have a County license and what the County license looks like. A staff member informed him to call the police non-emergency phone and emailed him a copy of the Fairfax County solicitor license.

Citizen of the Month



Allan Robertson and Ken Balbuena

This month’s award goes to North Springfield Civic Association president Ken Balbuena and Ravensworth Farm Civic Association president Allan Robertson for their community organizing efforts in response to the proposed changes for Lake Accotink. After the Park Authority’s Lake Accotink community meeting in January both community leaders recognized that this decision called for heavy community involvement.

Balbuena reached out to Supervisor Cook’s office to schedule a joint meeting with Robertson to find out what their organizations can do to save the lake. Both leaders called for an emergency meeting with their civic associations immediately. Balbuena reached out to Supervisor Cook’s office to schedule a joint meeting with Robertson to learn more about how the County will decide on what to do with the lake.



At the Ravensworth Farm CA meeting the attendees decided to form their own community group called “[Save Lake Accotink](#)” to help collect 1,000 signatures for a petition. Robertson was named President and Chair of the group’s board. Robertson and Balbuena’s diligent work prompted this impressive community engagement and created widespread awareness of the proposed changes to Lake Accotink’s Master Plan.

Human Services Corner

Senior Tax Relief Workshop

The Fairfax County Department of Taxation’s Senior Tax Relief Workshop will take place in Braddock Hall, which is located inside the Kings Park Library next to the Supervisor’s office, on March 27 and March 30 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. This workshop is done on a first come, first serve basis. Appointments are not available. Should you have question regarding this tax exemption, please call the Tax Relief Office at (703) 222-8234.

Supervisor Cook Seeks Community Services Board Member

Supervisor Cook is looking to fill a slot on the Board of the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board (CSB).

Members of the CSB are volunteers who are appointed by the City of Fairfax, the City of Falls Church, their county district supervisor or by the chair of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. One member is appointed by the Fairfax County Sheriff. Board members may serve up to three terms consecutively, and each term lasts three years. The CSB oversees county programs on mental health, addiction services, and developmental disabilities.

Members attend monthly meetings of the Board, typically on the fourth Wednesday. Additionally, members are required to serve on at least one standing CSB Board subcommittee. Most of the meetings are held at the Merrifield Center, 8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031. Board members participate with local government in the appointment and annual performance evaluation of the agency’s Executive Director.

CSB Board members also nominate and elect officers of the Board, review the annual CSB budget request to the County and the State Performance Contract with the Commonwealth of Virginia. Additionally, Board members endorse the agency’s strategic plan; develop, revise, and approve relevant agency policies and in so doing ensure that Board policies and procedures properly protect the rights of all individuals of the agency. For additional information, visit <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/community-services-board/board/about>

Virginia State Tax Forms

Supervisor Cook’s office has a limited number of Virginia State Tax Forms available on a first come first serve basis. The tax forms are also available online on the [Virginia Tax website](#).

Special Olympics

On March 9 Lake Braddock Special Olympics will host Annandale & Robinson’s teams in a game to raise awareness and celebrate athletes with differing abilities. The event is free. 5-6:30 pm, Tailgating (socializing, information tables & concessions available); 6:30 pm Unified Game Lake Braddock vs Annandale and 7:30 pm Main Event Lake Braddock vs Robinson.

ReelAbilities Film Festival

The ReelAbilities Film Festival: Northern Virginia, powered by the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, run from March 10 to 18. Part of the largest film festival of its kind dedicated to representing the lives, stories, and creative expressions of people with different abilities, ReelAbilities will take place at venues

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throughout Northern Virginia. Find out about tickets, locations and other information at <http://northernva.reelabilitieslegacy.org/films-and-events/> or follow the festival #GetReelNV on Facebook.

Braddock Aging in Place

On March 21 Michelle Thompson, Fairfax County's Cable & Consumer Services will discuss Charities, Charity Fraud and Medical Billing. The event will begin at 1 pm in the Kings Park Library Meeting Room (9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA).

Welcoming Inclusion Network(WIN) Stakeholder Meeting

Join the Welcoming Inclusion Network (WIN) a group interested in, and committed to, advancing employment and day services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The WIN Stakeholder meeting will be held on March 26 from 6:30 pm-8:00pm in rooms 9 and 10, at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway).

The goal of the WIN collaborative is to build opportunities for increased information and resource sharing, ensure service equity and efficiency, and boost employment opportunities through existing and new service models. WIN will seek to address the many challenges facing individuals with disabilities, and work together to increase community integration and inclusion.

Lunch N' Life: VA Task Force 1

Are You 50 or Better? Please join us for the next Lunch N' Life sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke on Thursday, March 15th, (12:00-2:00 p.m.) at Jubilee Christian Church, 4650 Shirley Gate Rd., Fairfax. The program is a presentation by the VA Task Force 1, Fairfax County's – Global Search and Rescue Team. For reservations, call Bea Stephenson at 703-273-5730 by March 9th. The cost is \$10.00; checks payable to SCFB. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office (703) 323-4788. See www.scfbva.org for more information.

Transportation Assistance Program

If you no longer drive and need transportation to a medical appointment (Mon – Fri) or an accompanied shopping drive (offered Tues p.m. and Fri a.m.), contact the SCFB transportation phone number 703-323-4788 at least five days in advance to make arrangements for your driver.

Rebuilding Together

(From the Golden Gazette) Rebuilding Together: Rebuilding Together Arlington/Fairfax/Falls Church, Inc. helps older adults, persons with disabilities, veterans and families with children who own their own home and live in the home that needs repairs. There is an income cap of \$52,550 for one individual and \$60,050 for two. Rebuilding Together's work is done at no cost to the homeowner by a team of volunteers. A Home Safety Assessment identifies needed repairs, most often correcting fall hazards, brighter lighting, smoke and carbon dioxide detectors, clogged clothes dryer vents, repairing gutters and downspouts, minor plumbing and electrical repairs and energy upgrades to reduce utility bills. For more information call 703-528-1999 or email info@rebuildingtogether-aff.org.

Land Use

Upcoming Community Meetings

Upcoming Meetings of Training Center Site Task Force

Wednesday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. – Braddock Hall

Thursday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m. – Government Center Conference Rooms 9/10

Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. – Government Center Conference Rooms 9/10

Board of Supervisors Consideration of Building Rental at University Mall

Tuesday, March 6 – Government Center Auditorium

Board of Supervisors Consideration of Proposed Goddard School

Tuesday, March 20 – Government Center Auditorium

Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 20 at 7:30 p.m. – Braddock Hall

Community Meeting for Draft Report from Training Center Site Task Force

Monday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. – Robinson Secondary School, Gold Cafeteria

.Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Training Center Site Task Force Begins Work

The Training Center Site Task Force has held three meetings since beginning work at the conclusion of the January 20 community planning workshop. Using the Needs Assessment and input given at the workshop, the Task Force is working to develop options for a Comprehensive Plan for the site. Several options will be presented at a community meeting to be held on Monday, April 23, in the Gold Cafeteria of Robinson Secondary School, at 7:30 p.m. Based on the input from that meeting, the Task Force will refine the plan and present its official recommendation to the community in late June.

The Task Force began its work by reviewing the comments made by participants at the January workshop. Park Authority staff presented information on the existing parks within the Braddock District, service level standards, and existing needs based on those standards. At the top of that list are multi-use courts, indoor gyms, and rectangular fields. The Task Force will next meet with staff from Neighborhood and Community Services regarding the needs they see in the community and have a discussion regarding affordability.

In preparation for the April community meeting, the Task Force is working to develop two or three proposed land scenarios for the entire property, including the former NVTC site, the State Police site, and the area currently planned for a DMV office. Those proposals will then be analyzed for their impact on the community, including on schools, parking requirements, and traffic.

Task force meeting agendas, handouts, PowerPoints, and minutes are available at:
<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/braddock/training-center-and-state-police-site>.

To submit comments to the Training Center Site Task Force, use braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov. Please put “Training Center Site Task Force” in the subject line.

Proposed Housing Development at Braddock Road and Roberts Road

RZ/FDP 2017-BR-030

On February 14, Supervisor Cook hosted a community meeting to discuss a proposal by the Peterson Companies to create a high-end residential development at the northeast corner of the intersection of Braddock Road and Roberts Road. This site, which is approximately 9.56 acres and is zoned R-1, is developed with three single-family detached homes and a church, which would be removed. The property owner outlined their vision for this site, which would include 49 single-family detached homes and amenities such as a corner park and picnic area, community garden, tot lot, and open lawn area. Access to the property would be from a single entrance on Roberts Road, midway between Braddock Road and Shenandoah Lane.

Because this site has not gone through a Comprehensive Plan review in a number of years, Supervisor Cook made a motion, which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors, to begin a planning process to consider the owner’s proposal along with other potential land uses for the site. The community meeting was the first step in this process. Area residents had the opportunity to ask questions and comment on the potential development. The focus was on what uses would be a good addition to and be compatible with the community. The primary concern raised by neighbors was traffic, particularly increased traffic on Roberts Road. A second and related issue was pedestrian crossings on Roberts Road. Some residents also expressed concerns over the density of the proposal.

Staff from the Planning Division, who were present at the meeting, are looking at options for a Plan Amendment to consider potential changes. Those options will be presented to the community for consideration at a follow-up meeting later this spring. The rezoning proposal has been deferred while a Comprehensive Plan Amendment is being considered.

Information about the Comprehensive Plan Amendment may be found here:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/plan-amendments/roberts-road>. The PowerPoint presentation with the owner’s proposal may be found at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/braddock/roberts-road-proposed-residential-development>.

Cases Filed Before the Planning Commission & Board of Supervisors

Goddard School Child Care Center

11909 & 11917 Lee Highway and 4613 Holly Avenue

SE 2017-BR-023

On February 8, the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the application of Daniel and Matthew Investments LP to build a Goddard School private preschool and daycare facility on four parcels of land located at the southeast corner of Lee Highway and Holly Avenue. Based on input from the community and County staff concerns about intensity of use, the applicant proposed a decrease in their maximum enrollment from 200 to 150 children. The revised plans also indicate that the applicant would construct a dedicated right turn lane from Holly Avenue onto Lee Highway (eastbound) in addition to the existing lane, which will be used for traffic going straight or turning left (westbound). The applicant committed to prepare a revised plan addressing additional Virginia Department of Transportation comments, including an optional entrance slightly further south on Holly Avenue, a VDOT-approved turnabout for the service drive or additional right-of-way dedication, and a 40-foot-wide entrance or as needed to satisfy VDOT requirements to accommodate larger service vehicles and buses.

Staff is preparing a second addendum to the Staff Report reflecting its views on the revised plan; it is expected to be available by March 13. The staff report and addendums (when available), may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SE&seq=4235773>.

This case is scheduled to be heard by the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 20, in the Government Center Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. The hearing time will be posted at the above link. To testify before the Board of Supervisors, please register in advance at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form>.

University Mall

PCA C-083-03 with PCA 2009-BR-015

The owner of University Mall has filed an application to allow rental of an existing building which was designated for removal to allow future transportation improvements. When the shopping center was renovated, the proffers prohibited renewal of the lease for the former bank on the northwest corner of the property because that land area is reserved for right-of-way dedication for the eventual widening of the Braddock Road/Ox Road intersection. The bank has moved out and the building is now vacant. VDOT recently made improvements to that intersection and does not plan to do anything further for a number of years. The shopping center owner would like to rent the building to another permitted user rather than leave it empty. The new lease would require the tenant to vacate the premises and terminate the lease if VDOT requests to use the dedicated area.

The Braddock Land Use and Environment Committee approved a motion expressing no objection to the proposal. On February 22, the Planning Commission recommended approval of this application. The case is scheduled to be heard by the Board of Supervisors on **March 6**. More information on this application, including any changes in the public hearing dates and the staff report, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=PCA&seq=4237368>.

2232 Public Facilities Applications

Stormwater/Wastewater Consolidated Facility at Freds Oak Road

2232-B17-21

On February 22, the Planning Commission approved the county's proposal to expand its current Wastewater Collection Division facility at 6000 Freds Oak Road to consolidate the Wastewater Collection, Maintenance and Stormwater Management, and Stormwater Planning Divisions. Because this is a proposed county government facility, the proposal was considered under the 2232 Review Process, in which the Planning Commission determines if the proposal is in substantial accord with the county's Comprehensive Plan in terms of character, extent, and location. The proposal did not go before the Board of Supervisors for consideration.

The Department of Public Works and Environmental Services will now work to finalize their plans, obtain permits, and actually construct the facility. This process is expected to take several years. They will continue to work with VDOT on the traffic concerns that were raised by residents during consideration of this facility.

Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee

The next meeting of the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will be on **Tuesday, March 20, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Braddock Hall**. Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee meetings are open to the public.

Cases Filed With the Board of Zoning Appeals

The Fairfax County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) meets on Wednesdays beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Auditorium of the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. BZA meetings are also 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. You

may register to testify at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/bza/bzaspeaker.htm>. These matters will not come before the Board of Supervisors, but will be decided by the BZA. Staff reports are normally available two weeks before the scheduled hearing.

**Sky Springfield LLC D/B/A Sky Zone – 5325 Port Royal Road, Springfield
SP 2017-BR-102**

The applicant requested a Special Permit to operate an indoor recreational (trampoline) facility. This application was approved by the BZA on February 28. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4239547>.