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October is
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS
Month



Dear Neighbor,

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and at next week's Board of Supervisors meeting I'll be asking my colleagues to join me in rededicating ourselves to the important work of ending domestic violence in Fairfax County. Domestic violence is a family, community, and public health issue with enormous impacts. The ripple effects of domestic violence and abuse spread to all parts of our Fairfax community, and it will take all of us working together to build a safer Fairfax County. One in four women and one in ten men will experience sexual, physical, or psychological violence from an intimate partner in their lifetimes. Additionally, nearly all domestic violence survivors face financial abuse, creating an increased risk of violence and adding obstacles to safety.

Research has shown that victims of domestic violence experience higher instances of chronic illness, depression, and post-traumatic stress. We have the power and an obligation to prevent domestic violence in our community by addressing underlying causes. As Chair of the Fairfax County Council to End Domestic Violence, I'm proud to say that there is incredible progress being made by organizations that assist in the efforts to end domestic violence in Fairfax County. Together, we can eliminate the attitudes, stigmas, environments, and policies that enable domestic violence so we can promote effective strategies to stop it. We can reduce our acceptance of violence, reject practices that place girls and women at risk, and confront gender and racial injustices.

Individually, we can also take steps during this Domestic Violence Awareness Month to be visible and vocal in supporting programs that promote peaceful conflict resolution, healthy relationships, and equality in our interpersonal relationships. Fairfax County has [a number of resources](#) dedicated to serving those who have been affected by domestic violence and educating the broader community.

On Tuesday, October 11, at 6:00 p.m. at Sherwood Community Center (3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax), Domestic and Sexual Violence Services (DSVS) will host a special in-person screening of "Crime After Crime," a documentary about incarcerated domestic violence survivor Debbie Peagler's decades-long fight for her freedom. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion about the criminalization of survivors of intimate partner violence and how survivors are often forced to defend themselves. Attendance is free, but [registration](#) is required.

Yours in service,



Supervisor James Walkinshaw

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Citizen of the Month

Charlotte Hannagan

Charlotte Hannagan has been the webmaster of the **Braddock District Council of Community Associations** since summer 2022. Despite being an already very committed volunteer for a number of community organizations, she answered the call (on Facebook) to help the BDC reinvent itself. What was anticipated to be a “refresh” of the old BDC website turned into the creation of an entirely new website from scratch, which required a great deal more effort. She also has helped manage the email database for the BDC.

Charlotte is the President of the Kings Park/Kings Glen PTA, Membership Chair of Parliament Pool, and 1st VP of Social Outreach for the Kings Park Civic Association.

Charlotte is the senior database and website manager at the Institute of International Finance. A multilingual (French and Spanish) project manager, she graduated from Georgetown University and Haverford College. She is the mother of three adorable and very active girls and lives in Springfield, VA with her family.



Walkinshaw in the Community



Supervisor Walkinshaw joined Park Authority Director Jai Cole and community representatives at Lakeside Park at Lake Royal to discuss maintenance needs on September 1.



Supervisor Walkinshaw joined the Lake Braddock Community Association Labor Day Carnival on September 4.



Supervisor Walkinshaw kicked off the Burke Centre Festival on September 10.



Supervisor Walkinshaw spoke at historic Oak Hill's 2022 open house on September 17.



Supervisor Walkinshaw marched in the Lake Braddock Secondary School Homecoming Parade on September 23.



Supervisor Walkinshaw joined the Drive Electric Week EV Showcase at George Mason University on September 25.



Supervisor Walkinshaw spoke at the Kings Park West Civic Association Membership Meeting on September 27.



Supervisor Walkinshaw spoke at the Rolling Road VRE Station Platform ribbon-cutting on September 28

In September, Supervisor Walkinshaw also:

- Participated in Annandale Neighborhood Safety Day on September 10.
- Attended the rollout of the bus ads for the Speak Up – Prevent a Gun Tragedy campaign on September 20
- Spoke at the Braddock District Council of Community Associations Meeting on September 21

Community News



FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL



OCTOBER 12 & 14

OAK MARR FARMERS MARKET	WAKEFIELD FARMERS MARKET	MCLEAN FARMERS MARKET	KINGSTOWNE FARMERS MARKET
October 12, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Oak Marr Rec Center, Oakton	October 12, 2 - 6 p.m. Wakefield Park, Annandale	October 14, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Lewinsville Park, McLean	October 14, 3 - 7 p.m. Kingstowne Towne Center, Alexandria

Celebrate the Fall Harvest of fresh fruits & vegetables and delicious food from local farmers and producers. Gather as a community and enjoy free family-friendly games and activities, warm apple cider, and live music!





www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets

In the Braddock District, Supervisor Walkinshaw will join the Wakefield Farmers Market Harvest Festival. The event runs Wednesday, October 12, from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Crop Hunger Walk

The needs of the hungry in the Burke/Fairfax community and worldwide are greater than ever. Join the annual CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, November 6. This year's 5K Walk will begin and end at Burke Presbyterian Church (5690 Oak Leather Drive, Burke). Knollwood Community Church will host a water stop midway through the walk and there will be an end-of-walk celebration at Burke Presbyterian Church. The CROP Hunger Walk team is excited to host an in-person CROP Walk this year and hopes you will invite your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers to this fun, family-friendly event. Find more information on this walk at the [Burke/Fairfax CROP Hunger Walk Website](#).



Local food pantry ECHO, Inc. and Western Fairfax Christian Ministries will receive twenty-five percent of the funds raised from the CROP Walk. Seventy-five percent of funds raised will support Church World Service humanitarian assistance, disaster response, and displacement programs.

GMU Fall Sports



Crisp fall days and Mason's fall sporting events have returned. Mason Nation can cheer on the Patriots in a variety of sports this fall: men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball, cross country, golf, and men's and women's tennis. Visit the [Mason Sports website](#) for schedules, rosters, ticketing, news, and more.

Mason Madness is back! On Friday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m., EagleBank Arena will host the official kick-off to George Mason men's and women's basketball season. Mason fans will be introduced to the student-athletes from each team and hear from men's basketball head coach [Kim English](#) and women's basketball head coach [Vanessa Blair-Lewis](#). Each team also will participate in a scrimmage on the EagleBank Arena floor.

In addition, Mason Athletics will welcome back the Green Machine for performances throughout the evening and will feature performances from a variety of George Mason student organizations.

Patriot fans are welcome to tailgate prior to Mason Madness. Vehicle load-in is scheduled for 3:30 p.m., and fans can tailgate from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. For more information, [click here](#).

Laugh Out Loud with "Head Over Heels"

Head Over Heels is the bold new musical comedy from the visionaries that rocked Broadway with Hedwig and the Angry Inch, Avenue Q, and Spring Awakening. This laugh-out-loud love story, produced by the Mason School of Theater, follows the escapades of a royal family on an outrageous journey to save their kingdom from extinction. Set to the music of the iconic 1980s all-female rock band The Go-Go's, the story includes hit songs such as "We Got the Beat" and Belinda Carlisle's "Heaven is a Place on Earth." [Get Tickets](#) at the GMU Center for the Arts page. General Public Tickets \$35. Students, Staff, Seniors, and Group Tickets \$15. Show dates are October 27–30.



Voting Information and Events



★ VIRGINIA ★ DEPARTMENT *of* ELECTIONS

Registration

Registering to vote is easy. The deadline to register in advance of the November 8 election is October 17. Residents are welcome to come to the Braddock District office to complete a voter registration form in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, or Korean. Residents may also complete their voter registration online at the [Department of Elections Registration website](#).

Early Voting

In-person and mail-in early voting began on September 23 and will continue through November 5, the Saturday before election day on November 8. For those voting by mail, please remember to mail your ballot at least one week before the date of the election. If you decide to vote early in-person, be advised that the following locations in and near the Braddock District are open to voters on the following dates and times:

September 23–November 5 at the Government Center

Weekdays 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Saturday (Only October 29 and November 5) 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sunday (Only October 30) 1:00–5:00 p.m.

Location	Address
Fairfax County Government Center	12000 Government Center Pkwy Conference Rooms 2/3, Fairfax 22035

October 27–November 5 at Satellite Locations

Weekdays 1:00–7:00 p.m. starting Thursday, October 27

Saturday (Only October 29 and November 5) 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sunday (Only October 30) 1:00–5:00 p.m.

Location	Address
Burke Centre Library	5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke 22015
West Springfield Governmental Center	6140 Rolling Road, Springfield 22152
Mason Governmental Center	6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale 22003

For a full list of all Fairfax County early voting sites, visit the [Fairfax County Early Voting website](#).

NEW – Same Day Voter Registration

Beginning with the 2022 General Election, the General Assembly approved legislation that provides the ability to register to vote at any time, up to and including Election Day.

Same-day registration refers to the ability to register to vote in-person and immediately vote a provisional ballot.

Read more at the [Department of Elections website](#).

Volunteer as a Poll Worker— Vietnamese and Korean Speakers Needed

The Fairfax County Office of Elections needs bilingual election officers to assist voters in the General Election on November 8 and in future elections. Specifically, individuals who speak Vietnamese and English fluently or Korean and English fluently are encouraged to serve in Annandale, Centreville, Chantilly, and Falls Church.

Officers will perform all regular election duties, including assisting voters in English, but they will be assigned to precincts with a significant number of voters who may primarily speak Vietnamese or Korean. To serve as a designated bilingual election officer, you must also complete a short oral language skills assessment.

Fairfax County is the largest voting jurisdiction in Virginia with 264 precincts countywide. It takes thousands of enthusiastic and trained election officers to ensure that we have efficient and well-run elections. Compensation for poll workers begins at \$175, and training is provided online for new officers. To apply, visit the [Vote4Fairfax website](#) (be sure to indicate if you speak Vietnamese or Korean). Visit [Working at the Polls](#) for more information.

Environment & Parks News

Spotted Lanternflies Found in Fairfax County

The Spotted Lanternfly is an invasive insect species that negatively affects more than 100 species of plants. Recently, the Office of Plant Industry Services at the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) confirmed that the Spotted Lanternfly has been found in Fairfax County. Although Fairfax is not infested, VDACS still is not certain of the total population of spotted lanternflies in the County. County residents are encouraged to look for spotted lanternflies on their plants and in the community but be aware of look-alike species like those below.



Possible Spotted Lanternfly Adult Look-alikes in Virginia

Theresa Dellinger and Eric Day, Department of Entomology, Virginia Tech

The adult spotted lanternfly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), has a very distinctive appearance with black spots and bars on the upper wings and red, black, and white on the hindwings. Adults measure about 1" long and 0.5" wide. A few other insects in Virginia have similar color patterns, but a close look will show that spotted lanternfly is easily recognizable. Sizes not to scale. Upper left photo: Eric Day. All others: Bugwood.org



**Spotted
Lanternfly**
Eric Day, Virginia Tech



**Spotted lanternfly,
wings extended**
Lawrence Barringer, Pennsylvania
Department of Agriculture



Ornate bella moth
Lesley Ingram, Bugwood.org



Ailanthus webworm
David Cappaert, Bugwood.org



Tiger moth
Mark Dreiling, Bugwood.org



Oak treehopper
Larry R. Barber, USDA Forest
Service, Bugwood.org



Buck moth
Gerald J. Lenhard
Louisiana State University, Bugwood.org

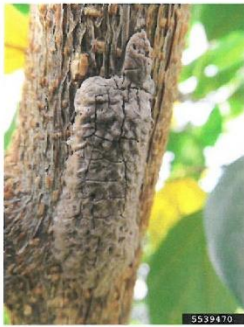


Leopard moth
Negin Almassi, Forest Preserves
of Cook County, Bugwood.org

Possible Spotted Lanternfly Egg Mass Look-alikes in Virginia

Theresa Dellinger and Eric Day, Dept. of Entomology, Virginia Tech

Egg masses of the spotted lantern fly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), are usually covered with a smooth tan to gray colored coating when fresh. This coating may crack and fall off with age, exposing eggs laid in vertical rows underneath. Some egg masses are laid with only some or no covering at all. Here are a few other insect egg masses found in Virginia to help you recognize those of the spotted lantern fly. Sizes not to scale.



Spotted lanternfly egg mass
Kenneth R. Law, USDA APHIS PPQ, Bugwood.org



Spotted lanternfly eggs
without covering. Kenneth R. Law,
USDA APHIS PPQ, Bugwood.org



Gypsy moth egg masses
covered with brown hairs.
Karla Salp, WA State Dept. of Ag,
Bugwood.org



Chinese mantis egg case Whitney
Cranshaw, CO State Univ., Bugwood.org



Eastern tent caterpillar eggs Whitney
Cranshaw, CO State Univ., Bugwood.org



Cankerworm eggs PA Dept. of
Conservation and Natural Resources -
Forestry, Bugwood.org



Wheel bug eggs and nymphs
Johnny N. Dell, Bugwood.org



Lichen on bark
Eric Day, Virginia Tech



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Possible Spotted Lanternfly Immature Look-alikes in Virginia

Theresa Dellinger and Eric Day, Department of Entomology, Virginia Tech

Immature spotted lanternfly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), are black with white spots when young. They turn red and black with white spots when older. A few other insects in Virginia have similar color patterns, but a close look will show that immature spotted lanternflies are easily recognizable. Sizes not to scale.



Young spotted lanternfly nymph
Berk Co. Conservation Dist.



Older spotted lanternfly nymphs
Eric Day, Virginia Tech



Wheel bug nymph
Susan Ellis, Bugwood.org



Oak treehopper nymphs
Southern Forest Insect Work Conf.,
Bugwood.org



Assassin bug nymph
Susan Ellis, Bugwood.org



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Compliance Corner

The Department of Code Compliance (DCC) will continue to accept excessive grass height complaints by telephone or [online](#) until **October 15**.

Chapter 119 Grass or Lawn Area of the Fairfax County Code regulates grass height, which may not be taller than 12 inches on any vacant or occupied residential property less than ½-acre (21,780 square feet) in area. Owners of any vacant developed commercial property also may not permit the growth of any grass or lawn area to exceed 12 inches, with no limitation on lot size.

How Does DCC Enforce Grass Height Limits?

- They confirm grass is greater than 12 inches and is growing on a residential property less than ½ acre. If the property is commercial, make sure it is developed and vacant.
- They send Notice of Violation, confirm proof of delivery.
- They re-inspect after 14 days.
- If grass has been cut, they close the case. If the grass has not been cut, request the contractor to cut grass.
- They send an invoice for mowing cost to property owner.
- Failure to pay invoice results in DTA involvement and the placement of a lien on the property.

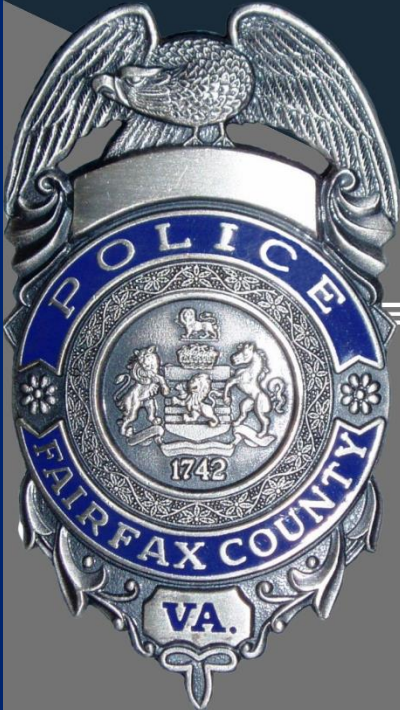
For more information, visit the DCC website or see the [Grass Height page](#).

Transportation Updates

September 30 Transportation Committee Meeting

At the Transportation Committee meeting on September 30, 2022, the Board of Supervisors received an update on an additional \$100 million for Active Transportation projects. You can learn more about the presentation and listen to the presentation and discussion [here](#).

Public Safety



FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE

Events & Updates

Braddock District

West Springfield District Station

Address: 6140 Rolling Rd, Springfield, VA 22152

Phone: (703) 644 7377

E-Mail: Anthony.Capizzi@fairfaxcounty.gov

In the event of an emergency, call 911



Faith and Blue Food Drive

Saturday, October 8, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Giant Foods (8320 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield)

As part of National Faith and Blue Weekend, officers from the West Springfield District Police Station will host a food drive event to benefit Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO). ECHO is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) charity that provides food and financial help to people with short-term emergencies. The organization also provides clothes and household items to low-income individuals and families. Please stop by and donate. Officers will be located just outside the store to assist you.

Items requested are in order of priority: canned vegetables, canned soup, spaghetti sauce, pasta, jelly, vegetable oil, muffin mix, Jello/pudding mix, macaroni and cheese, pancake mix, canned tomatoes, box rice, peanut butter, eggs, margarine, bread, condiments, canned meat, tortillas, salsa, BBQ sauce, juice (both individual and family size), tea, and coffee. "Family-sized" items only please. Extra-large items (25lb bags of flour, 5-6 lb single cans of anything) are too large for distribution to ECHO client families, which have four people on average.

Scout Night

Officers from the West Springfield District Station will be hosting a Scout Night on Wednesday, October 12. If your den or troop would like to visit the police station and speak with officers, please contact the West Springfield Police Station for available times. Officers will give a presentation to the kids in the community room, a video tour of the station, and then a hands-on tour of the police car outside. The FCPD is limiting the visits to one den/troop every half hour.

They have 5:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. slots available. If your older scouts have specific requirements for a badge, please contact the West Springfield Police Station to discuss arrangements. You can contact either PFC Liam May at (703) 277-2357 or MPO Tony Capizzi at (703) 277-2363 for scheduling or further questions.

Let's Talk

Did you know the West Springfield District Station covers more than 66 square miles, has over 200,000 community members, 40 public schools, 70 houses of worship, about 110 police officers, and 10 different patrol areas? If you would like to know more about the district, crime prevention, or just have questions, join MPO Tony Capizzi on Thursday, October 13, at 6:30 p.m. for a virtual community meeting. Use the Zoom link below to join. If you have questions before the meeting, contact MPO Tony Capizzi at (703) 277-2363.

Join on Zoom

Password: 246892

Or Telephone: USA 636 651 3141

USA 877 402 9753 (US Toll Free)

Conference code: 404496

CRASE Training (Civilian Response to Active Violence)

While we all hope it never happens, an active violence event can take place anywhere in the world. The community needs to be prepared with how to respond, and the West Springfield District Police are here to help with that training. This 90-minute lecture on Wednesday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m., will help participants learn about attackers, disaster response, and how to prepare for and respond to being trapped in a building during an active violence event. You will review past events and the steps law enforcement will take to assist and limit casualties. The police are there to answer your questions. This training is open to anyone in the community, but be advised that some of the material may be disturbing.

Join the training session via [Zoom](#). Password: 529857. If you have any questions about the training, feel free to contact MPO Tony Capizzi at the West Springfield District Station at 703-277-2363.

Human Services Corner

Opioid Dashboard

The Health Department, in collaboration with the [Opioid and Substance Use Task Force](#), has launched a [new public-facing dashboard](#) that will show trends in opioid overdoses in the Fairfax Health District. This dashboard includes fatal and non-fatal overdoses by year, age, gender, race, and ethnicity. Information comes from the Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-based Epidemics (ESSENCE) and from the Virginia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME). The dashboard will be updated the first week of each month.

Senior Planet at Wellness Center for Older Adults:

These seminars will be held at the Wellness Center for Older Adults (4027B Olley Lane, Fairfax).

Streaming & Smart TVs

Tuesday, October 18, 1:15–2:30 p.m.

This free class from AARP will introduce you to streaming: what it is, how to use it, and the variety of content available. You'll also learn how to watch live TV without cable and how smart TVs and streaming devices can let you watch videos from the internet on your television. [RSVP online](#) or call 1 (877) 926-8300.

Getting Started with Facebook

Tuesday, October 25, 1:15–2:30 p.m.

During this free hands-on workshop, you will sign up for Facebook and begin building your profile. You'll also learn how to find friends and use Facebook's privacy settings. [RSVP online](#) or call 1 (877) 926-8300.

Retirement Planning: Strategies for Today and Tomorrow

Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m.

Take charge of your financial future with AARP! Retirement planning doesn't have to be daunting. Learn tips for determining if you are on track to meet your nest-egg goals and practical strategies to help you achieve peace of mind. It's never too late to take charge of your financial future.

[The free webinar](#) will cover how you can:

- Identify resources that allow you to estimate your retirement income
- Determine the amount of savings you will need for retirement
- Recognize strategies to close the savings gap

The webinar will be facilitated by Pamela Sams, an AARP Virginia volunteer Community Ambassador. She has an extensive career in the financial services industry. Pamela has a Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor certification through the College of Financial Planning and holds a Behavioral Financial Advisor designation. [RSVP online](#). For more information, contact AARP Virginia at aarpva@aarp.org.

CAREGIVER RESOURCES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY



Virtual Caregiver Support Call: Caregiving Over the Holidays

Tuesday, October 11, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

For many, the holidays bring added stress. An already busy caregiver finds there's even more to do during the holidays. Something's gotta give! During our virtual support call, we will discuss some ideas and share tips with one another to help make it through the holiday season with more joy and less stress. Register for the [Caregiving Over the Holidays Webinar](#).

Virtual Live Well: Chronic Disease Self-Management

Tuesdays, October 11- November 15, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

This is a FREE six-week group-interactive workshop series for individuals who are interested in learning how to effectively manage their ongoing health conditions. Learn positive strategies for better overall health, such as managing pain and fatigue, sleeping and eating better, increasing physical activity, and so much more! Space is limited, and preregistration is required. For more information, call Dianne Duke at (703) 324-7721, TTY 711, or [Register Online](#).

Caregiver Support Group

Tuesday, October 18, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

The Fairfax Adult Day Health Centers invites you to join their monthly [family caregiver support group zoom meeting](#). The topic this month will be *Memory/Camouflage*.

Medicare 102

Wednesday, October 19, 12:00–1:00 p.m.

Medicare 102 training is for individuals who are interested in learning more about Medicare coverage. These sessions will be hosted by Bill Vaughn from the Virginia Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program. [Sign up for the Medicare 102 Webinar](#).

Caring for You, Caring for Me

Wednesdays, October 19–November 16, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

This signature program of the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregivers is a blend of interactive support and education. Participants report increased confidence and competence when caregiving. This is a 5-week virtual class via Zoom. Call (703) 324-7577 or [Register Online](#).

Exploring Health Disparities in Minority Family Caregivers- Panel Conversation

Friday, October 28, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

Research suggests that many complex factors can affect the health and quality of life of family caregivers and older adults. Understanding how some of these environmental, social, and cultural factors interact and create health disparities is crucial in supporting and improving the quality of life in family caregivers of older adults and adults with disabilities. Register for the [Exploring Health Disparities in Minority Family Caregivers Panel](#).

Public Input Opportunity

HERITAGE MALL SHOPPING PLAZA COMMUNITY SPACE



Session 1

Thursday, Oct. 13
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Session 2

Thursday, Oct. 27
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Session 3

Thursday, Nov. 10
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

All sessions will be held at:
7611 Little River Turnpike
Annandale, VA

The public is invited to a series of Community Engagement Forums regarding a new community space at the Heritage Mall Shopping Plaza in Annandale.

The county is holding three forums to seek public input to ensure the new space meets community needs and interests. These forums will discuss the overall vision for the space, potential resources, activities and programs. For questions, please email nandred.navarro@fairfaxcounty.gov.

We Want to Hear From You!



Register at: bit.ly/HeritageEngagement

For more information: bit.ly/HeritageCenterInfo



Fairfax County is committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in all county programs services and activities. Where a TTY number is not indicated, use 711/Virginia Relay. Reasonable accommodations made upon request; call 703-324-4600.

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Land Use & Development

UPCOMING MEETINGS & HEARINGS

Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting

- October 18 at 7:00 p.m. – hybrid (see article for details)

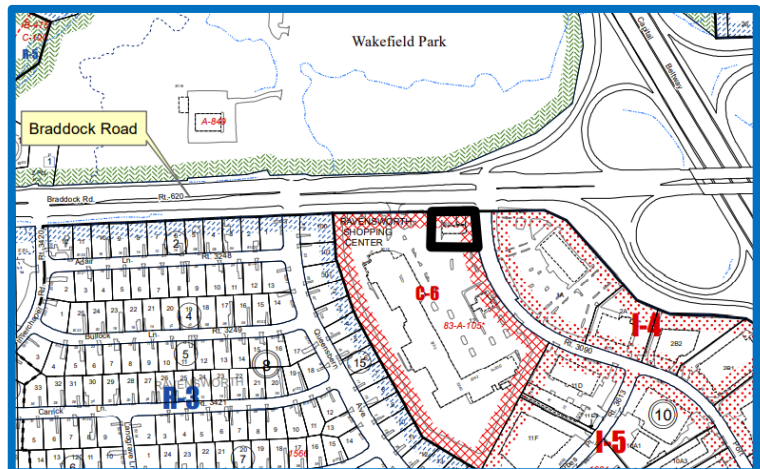
Board of Supervisors Hearing on Capital Services, Inc., d/b/a Ravensworth Shell

- October 25 at 3:30 p.m. – Government Center Auditorium

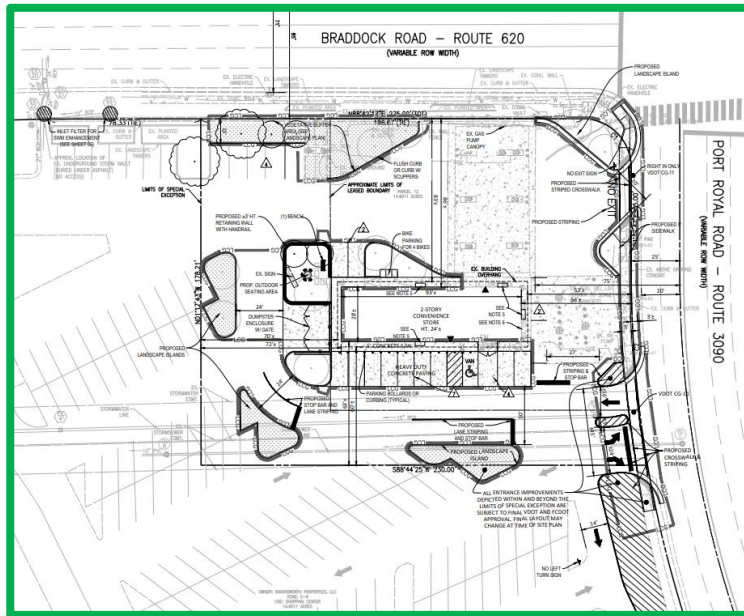
Board of Supervisors Hearing on Ravensworth Shell Application Scheduled for October 25

The Ravensworth Shell station has been owned and operated by the Harrell family for over six decades. The station is located in Ravensworth Shopping Center on Braddock Road, just west of the I-495 interchange. Capital Services, Inc., doing business as Ravensworth Shell, filed an application to modify the existing vehicle fueling station by replacing the light vehicle repair and maintenance component with a convenience store.

This site contains a 2,600 square foot building housing four vehicle service bays, associated office and storage space, an exterior vehicle lift, and six fuel pumps with 12 fueling positions under a canopy. The current building was constructed in 1967 and renovated in 1984. The service bays and exterior vehicle lift are located along the south side of the building. To the east of the building is a large paved area where fuel trucks access the underground fuel tanks. The building entrance is located on the north side, adjacent to the fuel pumps.



The applicant intends to retain the existing fuel pumps and canopy, replace the four-bay vehicle service area with a convenience store, and add a small second-floor office. There would be two entrances to the convenience store, one on the north and the other on the south side of the building. Both the fuel pumps and convenience store would operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. A number of site and architectural improvements would be included as part of the project. The building architecture would be upgraded and be in harmony with the shopping center. These upgrades would include brick veneer, glass windows and doors, and a gabled metal roof with a small tower.



Vehicular access is currently provided from both Braddock Road and Port Royal Road. The access to the shopping center from Braddock Road, with right-in and right-out movements, is proposed to remain the same. Port Royal Road includes two curb cuts serving the station along with a traffic signal further south that provides full access for the shopping center. The northernmost curb cut on Port Royal Road (closest to Braddock Road) is proposed to remain to allow fuel trucks to access the station's underground tanks. This application includes a narrower, channelized entrance to physically limit movements to right-in only. The second curb cut further south is proposed to continue to permit full movements. Lane

striping, stop bars, new landscape islands, and pavement striping would be installed to direct traffic within the shopping center.

With a change from vehicle repair to a convenience store, overall daily trips are expected to increase from the current 3,128 trips to 4,033 trips and would be spread out throughout the day and evening hours. Landscaped islands and outdoor seating would be added, the sidewalk along Port Royal Road would be widened to five feet, speed bumps would be removed, and a stop bar would be added along the southern side of the building. The existing signage would remain.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the application on July 27. Revised plans were submitted by Capital Services earlier that day to address a number of concerns raised by staff and the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee. In order to provide additional time to get agreements in writing, the Planning Commission voted to defer their decision until September 14. During the break, the applicant committed to a number of development conditions addressing remaining concerns, most notably providing a dedicated loading space and adding inlet filters for stormwater treatment. The applicant is also committing to a roof that can support solar-mounted equipment and an EV-ready parking space, should the applicant or a third party wish to install these features in the future.

An outstanding issue was ensuring that the application would not interfere with the upcoming Braddock Road Multimodal Improvement Project, which will add a pedestrian/bicycle trail along this segment of Braddock Road. When the service station was built in the 1960s, it had the required 40-foot setback from Braddock Road and what was then presumed to be adequate room for future improvements. With Braddock Road now spanning ten lanes at this junction, there is very little room left next to the station's fueling lanes. The Virginia Department of Transportation requested a development condition to replace the existing curb and gutter along the fueling lane and to remove it from the VDOT right of way in anticipation of the Braddock Road project. The applicant also agreed to provide temporary construction easements along the frontage.

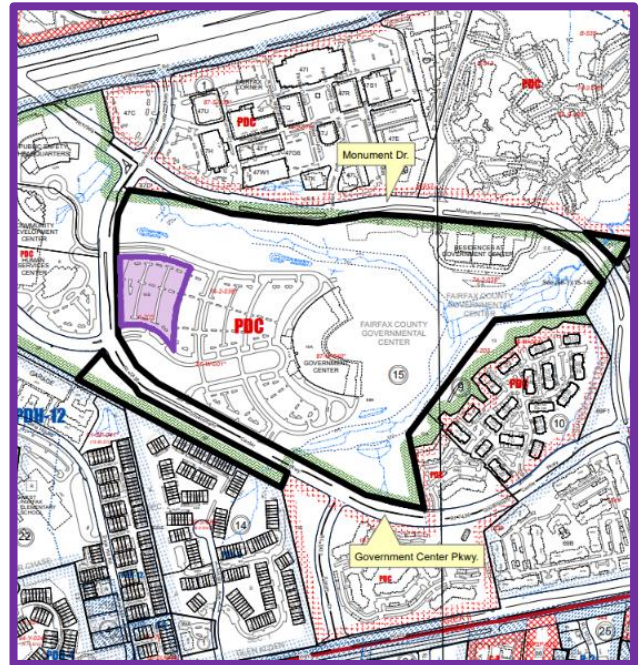
With these changes, the Planning Commission recommended approval of this application. The updated plans and Development Conditions are available on the [PLUS website](#). Select the "Zoning" tab and enter the application number, SEA-83-A-026, in the search box on the right

side. Click on the "Record Information" arrow on the left, and then click on "Attachments" in the drop-down menu. The most recent documents should be at the end of the list.

The Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on the Ravensworth Shell application at **3:30 p.m. on October 25** in the Government Center Auditorium. It will also be broadcast on Fairfax County Government Channel 16. Anyone wishing to provide comments may testify in person, by phone or video, or in writing. More information may be found on the [County website](#).

Application Submitted for Affordable Housing on the Fairfax County Government Center Campus

The development of affordable housing to help address the critical shortage in the County is a priority of Supervisor Walkinshaw and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. In January 2021, the Board approved Supervisor Walkinshaw's motion to transfer approximately 4.5 acres of Board-owned property along Government Center Parkway at the intersection with Post Forest Drive, referred to as Parking Lots G and H, to the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA). This set in motion the potential replacement of a portion of the under-used surface parking at the Government Center with affordable and workforce housing and community uses located near employment opportunities, transit access, recreational and commercial amenities, and in walking distance of an elementary school.



LACM VA, LLC, a subsidiary of Lincoln Avenue Capital, was selected by FCRHA through a competitive process in accordance with the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 (PPEA) for development of the site. They are proposing two multi-family residential buildings with a total of 293 affordable dwelling units, 15,000 square feet of secondary uses (a child care facility and other community space), together with surface and structured parking. The plan and related information may be found on the [PLUS website](#). Select the "Zoning" tab and enter the application number, RZPA-2022-BR-00086, in the search box on the right side. Click on the "Record Information" arrow on the left and then click on "Attachments" in the drop-down menu. The initial development plan should be at the end of the list.



Both a Comprehensive Plan Amendment and a Proffered Condition Amendment (or entitlement, similar to a rezoning) would be required for this proposal, because the Government Center campus is currently planned for office mixed-use up to an intensity of 0.35 FAR. This planned intensity does not afford enough development potential for the proposed project. Detailed information on Plan Amendment 2022-III-FC2 may be found [here](#).

Supervisor Walkinshaw held a virtual community meeting on the proposal on September 28. County staff briefed attendees on the Comprehensive Plan Amendment and the applicant provided an overview of the development plan. A similar presentation was made to the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee the previous week. Comments at both meetings were largely positive. The Land Use Committee asked for additional information on parking, energy efficiency, and play space for children living in the buildings, which we expect will be addressed at future meetings. Staff and the applicant will provide an update at the Committee's November 15 meeting, which is open to the public.

The Comprehensive Plan Amendment is scheduled for a Planning Commission hearing on December 8, and a hearing on the Proffered Condition Amendment is scheduled for February 1. The Board of Supervisors public hearings are expected to be held in January and February 2023.

Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee Meeting

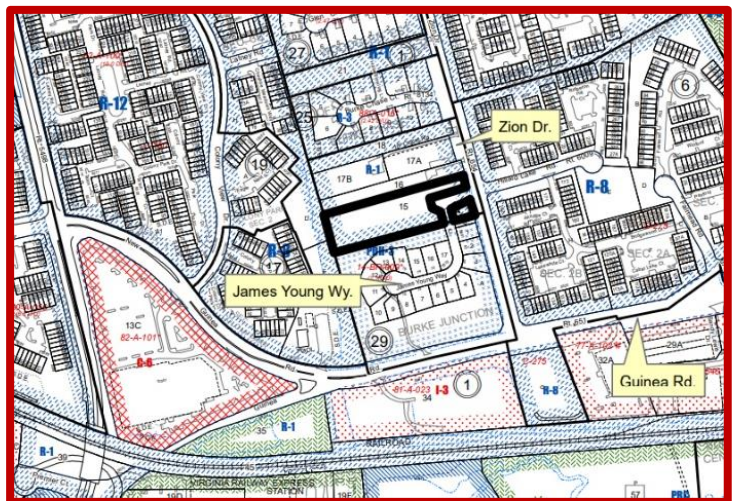
The Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will hold a hybrid meeting on **Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. in Braddock Hall**. The agenda will include a presentation on the Parking Reimagined initiative, an update on the Braddock Road Multimodal Improvement Project, and updates on pending Braddock District land use cases.

Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee meetings are open to the public, and interested residents are encouraged to participate. Join in person at Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, [online](#), or by phone: (571) 429-5982, Phone Conference ID: 730 922 969#.

Proposal to Develop Day Property on Zion Drive

A revised rezoning proposal for 10121 Zion Drive, a wooded undeveloped site known as the Day property, is currently under staff review. 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. A Resource Protection Area (RPA) is located along the western boundary line.

The applicant has proposed rezoning the property from the R-1 District to the PDH-3 District to permit the development of six single-family detached homes. Access to the property would be provided through a new private street from James Young Way, which connects to Zion Drive opposite Hillard Lake Road and links to the Burke Junction neighborhood to the south. Although the property to the north is not part of this rezoning, the applicant has proposed reserving an area for interparcel access that would allow for future consolidation.



The application proposes to integrate this property with the Burke Junction community by using a site layout that would build single-family detached homes at a similar density. Four areas of open space have been proposed. The tree preservation areas are designed to complement existing tree preservation and landscape areas currently provided in Burke Junction. Stormwater management would be provided onsite, with additional capacity offsite in the Burke Junction community.

At the August meeting of the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee, the applicant described the changes made to the plan based on feedback from staff and the Committee. The number of lots was reduced from seven to six, a play area was added, and the proposed pollinator garden was moved closer to the RPA. Sidewalks were added on both sides of the new private road. Questions remain regarding the new homeowners' association, stormwater facilities, and a trail connection.

The updated plans will be available on the [PLUS website](#). Select the "Zoning" tab and enter the application number, RZ-2021-BR-018, in the search box on the right side. Click on the "Record Information" arrow on the left, and then click on "Attachments" in the drop-down menu. The most recent documents should be at the end of the list. A community meeting on the application will be held this fall. Look for details in upcoming Advisories. The Planning Commission's public hearing has been rescheduled for December 8.

Join the Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee!

Do you wonder how decisions are made about land use and development? Would you like to get involved with others in the community to review and comment on land use, transportation, and environmental proposals in or affecting the Braddock District? If so, consider joining the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee!

The Committee was established in 2012 to review applications for proposed land use changes in the Braddock District and to make recommendations to the Braddock District Planning Commissioner and Braddock District Supervisor. It is a self-selected, independent, nonpartisan, and volunteer advisory body made up of interested citizens who live in the Braddock District.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Braddock Hall, next to the Supervisor's office at 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke. The Committee had been meeting virtually, but it is now returning to in-person meetings with a virtual connection option. Committee meetings are open to the public, and community members are welcome to attend.

Any resident of the Braddock District may apply for membership on the Committee. Members are asked to make a commitment to at least one year of service (most choose to serve much longer!) and to serve on at least one subcommittee looking at a specific application or proposal. No previous land use experience is required, just a willingness to serve the community. Those who are interested are encouraged to attend a meeting, learn about the Committee's work, and talk with current members. Contact the Braddock District Office at (703) 425-9300 or braddock@fairfaxcounty.com for more information, and plan to attend the October 18 and/or November 15 meetings!

Update on DMV's Braddock Road Customer Service Center

Acting Virginia DMV Commissioner Linda Ford recently provided an update on the status of the Braddock Road Customer Service Center. She stated that they are still working through an easement issue, which is continuing to delay groundbreaking. However, they are ordering supplies and obtaining the necessary permits to begin construction. We will provide an update when more information is available.

Update on Construction at Erickson Living's Woodleigh Chase Project

As area residents have seen, and as shown in these photos, construction progress continues at Erickson Living's Woodleigh Chase project on Braddock Road. Utility work is ongoing, and the parking lots are being paved. The contractor is starting to dig the pool in

the natatorium of the Community Building, as well as continuing the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing rough-ins and beginning to hang drywall. In Residential Building 1, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing rough-ins also continue, and framing is being finished. Framing is now starting on Residential Building 2, and that building is being linked to the Community Building.



Closures will remain in place for the right lane of eastbound Braddock Road and the shared-use path in front of the project through October 14. These closures affect the area between Burke Station Road and Rec Center Road (across from the entrance to Fairfax Memorial Park). The road closure will be in effect from approximately 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day. The sidewalk will remain barricaded and closed until the road work has been completed. Signage directs pedestrians to use the north side of Braddock Road. This closure is necessary for construction related to the new right-turn lane being built at Rec Center Road.

The Woodleigh Chase marketing center is now open. If you have questions, please contact the sales office at (703) 259-5300 or at WoodleighChase.com.



Update on One University Project Construction

The focus of work at the One University site, at the northwest corner of the intersection of Ox Road and University Drive, continues to be pouring concrete. On the western portion of the site, which will provide affordable housing for both seniors and individuals/families, two-thirds of the garage slab and 40 percent of the ground-floor deck have been completed. Concrete is also being poured on the eastern portion of the site, where student-oriented housing will be located, for both the structure and the parking garage. It is anticipated that the concrete work will be completed in late November. The photos show the progress that has been made at the site.

Sanitary sewer installation continues adjacent to Fairfax City's pump station on the western portion of the site. Crews are working from the west toward Ox Road. A portion of the sanitary sewer runs down the middle of University Drive. Rolling closures adjacent to active work zones will occur in the eastbound travel lane and south shoulder during this work, with one-way traffic controlled by flaggers on the north side of the road.

Washington Gas completed their work at the intersection of University Drive and Ox Road in mid-September. The development team apologizes for any inconvenience neighbors may have experienced during this time. The work was performed during evening hours in the interest of public safety.

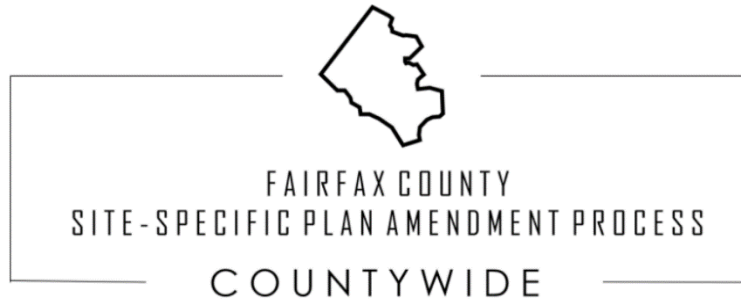


Concrete work on the western portion of the site



Work on the eastern portion of the site





Countywide Site-Specific Plan Amendment Process Now Underway

In July, the Board of Supervisors approved changes to the Site-Specific Plan Amendment (SSPA) process, which allows anyone to propose land use changes (called “nominations”) to Fairfax County’s Comprehensive Plan for individual sites. The adopted changes include opportunities to submit SSPA nominations every two years, new submission criteria (including a required concept plan and property owner’s consent) for nominations, enhanced community engagement during the screening phase, a Planning Commission workshop during screening, and reducing the overall timeline for the nomination and screening period to improve efficiency and make better use of time and resources.

Nominations for site-specific land use changes are now being accepted. Detailed instructions on how to submit a nomination are provided in the 2022-2023 SSPA [Nominator Guide](#), which includes an overview of the process and timeline, how to research Comprehensive Plan information, the nomination submission requirements, and review criteria. Additional information is available on the [SSPA website](#), along with a process schedule and an [interactive map](#) showing the areas of the County that are eligible for SSPA nominations. The nomination period will close on October 28.



Fairfax County Land Use Legacy Systems will Convert to PLUS on October 31

Fairfax County is converting all of its land use permitting, plan review, inspections, and complaint systems to the **P**lanning and **L**and **U**se **S**ystem (**PLUS**) on October 31. During the transition, all online application and review systems, including PLUS, FIDO, ProjectDox, and PAWS, will be **unavailable, beginning Friday, October 21 at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, Oct. 31.**

Legacy systems (FIDO, ProjectDox, and PAWS) will not return to use after the outage and will be replaced by PLUS beginning Monday, October 31. The outage will impact

customers conducting business with the agencies below. Each link contains information on what services will be available during the 10-day outage and how to plan ahead:

- [Land Development Services](#)
- [Department of Planning and Development](#)
- [Fire and Rescue Department, Office of the Fire Marshal](#)
- [Health Department, Environmental Health](#)
- [Department of Code Compliance](#)

Find more information on the [PLUS website](#).

Attend a Webinar Wednesday for Help Navigating PLUS

Sneak Peek Site Records in PLUS: Webinar Wednesday

Join the Land Development Services to get a sneak peek at what actions customers will be able to take in PLUS after the Release 4 go-live in October 2022. This session will focus on Site record types and searching the details of a Site record.

Wednesday, October 12
11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

Submitting Plans through PLUS: Webinar Wednesday

Join the PLUS team for a sneak peek at the Digital Plan Room. The Digital Plan Room (or DPR) is a plan review tool used by PLUS and will be made available to the public with Release 4. Starting October 31, customers will be able to use this tool to submit their plans, review mark-ups from staff, submit revisions, and access approved plans. This session will provide an overview of how customers will perform these actions and provide additional resources to support customers when this tool goes live on October 31.

Wednesday, October 19
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

Get Ready to Go-Live in PLUS: Webinar Wednesday

Get Ready to Go-Live with Release 4 of PLUS! On Monday, October 31, new content and functionality will be pushed through to PLUS and will be available for customers and staff to access. This webinar will provide an overview of what customers can expect to see with this release and what actions they can take to be ready for the go-live.

Wednesday, October 26
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

PLUS Basics 101

What is PLUS? Join Fairfax County staff for a free webinar to see a demonstration of the new Planning and Land Use System (also known as PLUS). Bring your questions, and learn how this centralized platform will help streamline the customer experience.

Wednesday, November 2
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

Visit the [YouTube page](#) to watch PLUS “how to” videos.

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, 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.

Access to information on BZA cases is available through the Planning and Land Use System, or PLUS. This 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 than the previous system and does so in real time. Visit the [PLUS Information and Support website](#) for more information on this land use platform.

➤ **Johnny Wen & Joanna Wen – 4807 Marymead Drive, Fairfax
SP-2022-BR-00100**

The applicants are requesting a Special Permit to add an Accessory Living Unit containing greater than the permitted 800 square feet in floor area and a reduction in setback requirements to permit an addition 15.6 feet from the northwest side lot line. The BZA hearing for this application has been administratively rescheduled for October 12. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Chau Tran & Trang Tran – 10133 Zion Drive, Fairfax
VC-2021-BR-00022**

The applicants are seeking a Variance and Variance Amendment to permit construction of a new 4,100-square-foot single-family detached dwelling 10.1 feet from the north side lot line and 10.6 feet from the south side lot line (20-foot setback required on each side). This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on October 12. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

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

The applicant is seeking a Variance to reduce the setback requirements to allow construction of a 6,000-square-foot single family house 18.4 feet from the western front lot line (40-foot setback required), 18.9 feet from the rear lot line (20-foot setback required), and 17.2 feet from the western lot line (20-foot setback required). The BZA hearing on this application has been deferred until October 26. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [PLUS website](#).

➤ **Trustees of Saint Matthews United Methodist Church – 8617 Little River
Turnpike, Annandale
SPA-80-A-087-05**

The applicants are seeking to amend their Special Permit to modify the Development Conditions to increase the number of students, increase the number of employees, and expand the hours of operation. The maximum weekday enrollment would be increased from 99 students to 230 students, including approximately 115 students ages 2.5 to 4 and approximately 115 students ages 5 to 12. In addition, the applicants are seeking to

provide overflow capacity for before- and after-school childcare for up to 25 students from the nearby Wakefield Forest Elementary School's School Age Child Care (SACC) program. These students would be ages 5 to 12. The proposed number of employees is anticipated to be 25 to 30. The hours of operation would be extended from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on November 2. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found on the [**PLUS website**](#).

➤ **Paul Michael, TR, Christina A. Michael – 11610 Leehigh Drive, Fairfax
SP-2021-BR-00090**

The applicant is seeking a reduction of setback requirements to permit an addition 10.2 feet from the east side lot line (20-foot setback required). The addition would contain an Accessory Living Unit, for which the applicant is also seeking approval. This application has been scheduled for a BZA hearing on December 7. 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**](mailto:braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov), or call the Braddock District office at (703) 425-9300.