



The Braddock Beacon

Training Center Task Force Recommendations Presented to the Community

On June 25, I hosted a community meeting for the Training Center Site Task Force to present its recommendations for future development of the former Northern Virginia Training Center (NVTC) site, the adjacent State Police site, and a small parcel of land reserved for a future DMV facility.

The former NVTC site is the largest parcel of land available for development or redevelopment in the Braddock District since Burke Centre, and it is unlikely that we will see another property of this size. Erickson Living purchased the property from the Commonwealth of Virginia in late 2017 and hopes to build a continuing care community with approximately 1,100 independent living units and 200 assisted living and acute care units. However, there is no existing Comprehensive Plan to guide land use on this site because it is classified as institutional.

Public input is a vital part of the planning process because it gives residents the chance to help outline a vision for the future of their community. In order to promote input, I hosted three community meetings, a planning workshop, appointed a task force which met 11 times, and conducted an online survey that received over 1,750 responses. The information gathered from the meetings and survey, combined with the County's Community Needs Assessment and input from a variety of County agencies, from housing to parks and recreation to transportation, helped the task force finalize its Comprehensive Plan recommendations.

For the former NVTC site, the task force recommended a base use of one dwelling unit per acre, with the option for a continuing care facility. Whether the property is developed with housing or a continuing care facility, they recommended a public park in the Environmental Quality Corridor and additional recreation uses on at least four to six acres of the site. The recreational use should include an all-abilities recreation use and intergenerational gathering space. If a continuing care facility is built, it should be compatible with the character of the surrounding community. Development should be limited to the area inside the ring road and the already developed northwestern portion of the property, building height should be limited to five stories, and there should be a landscaped buffer. The task force recommended limiting access to the site to the intersection at Burke Station Road and the entry across from the entrance to the cemetery.

For the 9.7-acre State Police site, the task force recommended a base plan continuing the current public uses, with an option for public park use. The recommendation for the 4-acre future DMV site is also recommended for a base use of public facilities, governmental and institutional use, with an option for residential use up to one dwelling unit per acre or public park use. There are not currently any plans for the Commonwealth to sell this property, but it is important to put a base plan into place in case things change in the future.

County staff will take the task force's recommendation, consider it in terms of how the recommendation meets identified County needs, evaluate impacts to public facilities, and draft text to be included in the County's

Comprehensive Plan for this area. The staff recommendation is due in September and will go to the Braddock District Land Use Committee for Review. I will announce the meetings in upcoming Advisories and on social media. If you have any further questions regarding this Comprehensive Plan, please email my office at braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov or call us at 703-425-9300.

Braddock Road Pedestrian Overpass Community Meeting

I hosted the first community workshop on the Braddock Road Pedestrian Overpasses on June 20 at Lake Braddock Secondary School with staff from the Fairfax County Department of Transportation.

The Pedestrian Overpasses are part of the Braddock Road Improvement Project and will help improve walkability, pedestrian safety, and connectivity in the Braddock District. The overpasses will serve as “elevated crossing alternatives” that will allow walkers to cross busy Braddock Road intersections without affecting traffic. County staff introduced the idea in the Braddock Road Multimodal Study, surveyed residents on the topic, and worked with the Braddock Road Task Force to find the best locations on Braddock Road.

The County is proposing a Pedestrian Overpass for the Kings Park Shopping Center at the intersection of Braddock Road/Burke Lake Road/Woodland Way. County staff presented design options for the bridge and answered questions from the audience.

Community input will guide County staff in making final decisions on the Kings Park overpass and any other potential locations. Community members attending the meeting were near unanimous in their support for this overpass.

Additional pedestrian crossings under consideration include Stonehaven Drive, Wakefield Chapel Road, and Port Royal Road. The Stonehaven location was suggested because of the available right-of-way, the proximity to Parkwood Baptist Park and Ride, and the large gap between traffic signals at Burke Lake Road and Southhampton Drive. The Wakefield Chapel location is being considered because of its available right-of-way and proximity to the Canterbury Woods Park and Ride. The final suggested crossing at Port Royal Road was presented due to its available right-of-way and access to the Ravensworth Shopping Center.

I very much want to hear your thoughts on these proposals by September. We will present a set of recommendations in the Fall. You may contact FCDOT directly [here](#) or contact my office at braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-425-9300. The slideshow from the meeting is also available [here](#).

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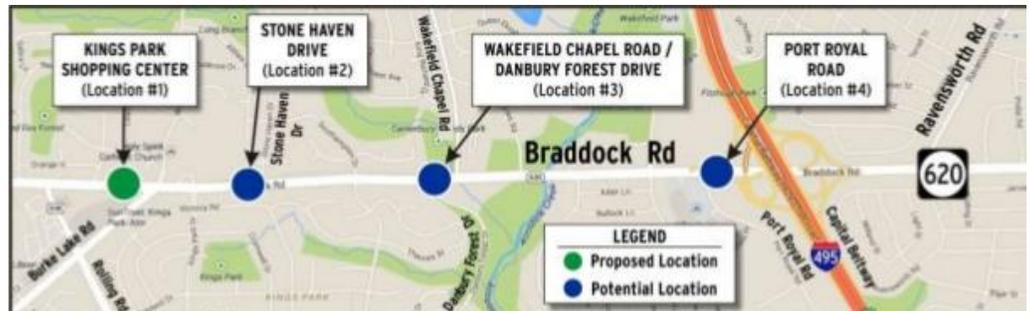
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Cook in the Community



Robinson Secondary School Graduation: Supervisor Cook attended the Robinson Secondary School Graduation on June 7 with Elizabeth Schultz, Ryan McElveen, Chairman Sharon Bulova, Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn, School Board Member Ilryong Moon, and School Board Member Megan McLaughlin.

Lake Braddock Secondary School Graduation:

Supervisor Cook attended the Lake Braddock Secondary School

commencement on June 12 where he also celebrated the graduation of his daughter Sarah.



Northern Virginia Chamber Corporate Citizenship Awards: Supervisor Cook attended the Northern Virginia Chamber Corporate Citizenship Awards on June 13 where the County's Diversion First Program was recognized for its work in giving treatment to those with mental illness instead of incarceration.

Braddock Road Pedestrian Overpass Community Meeting:

Supervisor Cook held a community meeting at Lake Braddock Secondary School on June 20 with County staff to discuss the proposed pedestrian bridges and alternative locations.

Burke Centre Library 10th Anniversary: On June 23 Supervisor Cook celebrated the Burke Centre Library's 10th Anniversary with Senator Dave Marsden, Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn, Chairman Sharon Bulova, Fairfax County Public Library Deputy Director Christine Jones, Burke Centre Conservancy President Marc Flaster, and First Branch Manager Linda Schlekau.

Communities of Trust School Safety in the Commonwealth Summit: On June 25 Supervisor Cook joined Virginia's Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security Brian Moran, County Executive Bryan Hill, Chairman Bulova, Communities of Trust President Shirley Ginwright, Police Chief Ed Roessler and other esteemed guests to discuss school safety. Supervisor Cook moderated a panel on the opioid crisis that included At-Large School Board Member Karen Keys-Gamarra, Chief Academic and Equity Officer Francisco Duran, Peggy Cook, Chief Ed Roessler and Police Sergeant George Waked.

Training Center Site Community Meeting: Supervisor Cook hosted a community meeting with the Training Center Site Task Force at Lake Braddock Secondary School on June 25 to present its finalized recommendations for the comprehensive plan.

County Executive Tours Braddock District with Supervisor Cook: Supervisor Cook gave County Executive Bryan Hill a grand tour of the Braddock District on June 28. They drove for several hours around the district, making stops at major Braddock landmarks including Lake Accotink.



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 focus on Environmental Stewardship. Supervisor Cook will interview Jen Cole, the Executive Director for the CleanFairfax Council, Paul Gross, the President of the Friends of Royal Lake, and Bryan Campbell, the President of the Friends of Long Branch Stream Valley.

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

Braddock District Council Invites You to Attend Best of Braddock Awards and Picnic July 11

The Braddock District Council will host their annual Best of Braddock Awards and Picnic on July 11 from 6-8 p.m. at the Braddock District Supervisor's office. Please join us as we honor members of our community who are being recognized for their contributions of their time and talent and energy that make the Braddock District an attractive place to live, work and raise our families. They are:

Marilynn Sitts – Olde Forge/Surrey Square Civic Association, Hospitality Chairperson

Donna Fricas – Olde Forge/Surrey Square Civic Association, Little Free Library Project Coordinator

Sarah Lennon – Kings Park West Civic Association, KPWCA Parks and Lake Chairperson, Leader of the Road Warriors Cleanup Team

Cathy DeLoach and Mary Hovland - Long and Foster Mary and Cathy Team, Second Ever Kings Park West Tour of Homes

Judy Nitsche – Friends of Kings Park Library, Book Sale Chair

Evan Braff – Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services, Neighborhood College Coordinator

Questions? Call or email Ann Sharp at 703-425-9300 or Ann.Sharp@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Registration Open for Northern Virginia Senior Olympics

Registration is now open for the 2018 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics, to be held at venues across the region from Sept. 15-26.

Those who will be at least 50 years old by Dec. 31 and live the cities of Alexandria, Falls Church and Fairfax and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun and Prince William are eligible.

The registration fee is \$13, with a \$2 cost per event. Extra fees are imposed on a number of events, including golf, bowling and orienteering.

The deadline to register online is Aug. 24. For additional information, see the Web site at www.nvso.us. (Original announcement found in [InsideNOVA](#))

Water Donations

The West Springfield Police Citizens Advisory Committee would like to remind everyone that we still have a long hot summer ahead of us, and donations of water to the West Springfield Police Station would be greatly appreciated from any who would like provide water for our officers that are out on the streets. The next time you're out grocery shopping, they encourage you to remember our Fairfax County Police, purchase an extra case of water for our officers and drop it off at the West Springfield Station.

Bicycle Safety Instructors Looking for Outreach Opportunities

The NOVA Regional Commission recently trained several volunteers as Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Instructors. These bicycle and pedestrian safety volunteer/instructors are looking for outreach events to help train or provide information for cyclists and pedestrians on sharing the road, bicycle safety and pedestrian safety. They can also teach a course in bicycle-friendly driving for adults.

The volunteers received this training free of charge in exchange for a few hours of community service (outreach at community events or workshops). They are currently looking for opportunities. If you know of any upcoming events or opportunities in your district that might be a good match, or would like to set up a safety workshop or pop-up event for your community, please contact Nicole Wynands, Bicycle Program Manager, Fairfax County Department of Transportation. She can be reached at Nicole.Wynands@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-877-5625.

Braddock Nights

Friday evenings • 7 p.m. • July 6 through August 24 • [Lake Accotink Park](#) & [Royal Lake Park](#)

Welcome to our summer 2018 season! This series of free musical performances presents a wide array of performances from classical to bluegrass and everything in between. The atmosphere is informal and you're encouraged to bring a picnic dinner, blankets and lawn chairs and relax with friends and family to celebrate the end of the workweek. Volunteers are always welcome! For more information, please contact my office at 703-425-9300.

Citizen of the Month



The Braddock Citizen of the Month for July is Brian Jackson from Burke, VA. Jackson was awarded a \$10,000 Live Mas scholarship from the Taco Bell Foundation for his work coaching the Fairfax Fury Special Olympics Track and Field Team. The George Mason student is a Therapeutic Recreation major and a jumper on the George Mason Track and Field Team.

Jackson told the *Braddock Beacon* that coaching helped him learn about the difficulties and triumphs parents of children with disabilities face. He worked with children of different abilities for several years, but rarely worked with their parents until he started coaching.



“In this program the parents all come to practice and as the coach, I work

closely with a lot of them,” Jackson said. “It lets me see just how much love and pride they all have for their children, and it’s a pride that I share.”

The Taco Bell Scholarship Jackson won is given to the “next generation of innovators, creators and dreamers,” Taco Bell said. Students had to submit a 2-minute video where they talk about their life’s passion to win a scholarship. The competition received over 8,000 applicants from across the country.

Constituent Services

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 called to find out why the County does not have an anti-littering law against businesses that drop leaflets in the driveway. A staff member called the County Attorney’s office and was told this falls under “free speech,” which was determined by the US Supreme Court.

A constituent called concerned about foxes acting aggressively, coming on to the property and possibly harming local pets. A staff member emailed a County wildlife expert who had Animal Control contact the constituent and advised them about the signs of rabies, mange, and when an officer would respond.

Two constituents called the office about collapsing sidewalks. A staff member contacted VDOT and the sidewalks were repaired shortly after.

A staff member made several requests to VDOT to mow grass in the right of way areas that are not in road medians.

A staff member is working with a group of residents who are concerned about speeding on Whitacre Road.

A staff member sent suggestions to VDOT for traffic calming measures on roads in Burke Centre.

Human Services Corner

The FCPS Office of Intervention and Prevention Services Summer Parent Clinic

The FCPS Office of Intervention and Prevention Services Summer Parent Clinic is holding a Summer Parent Clinic where parents can have a 45-minute consultative appointment with a School Psychologist or School Social Worker. Supportive consultation is available for parents when children are experiencing social-emotional, behavioral, or academic challenges such as anxiety, attention, poor school performance, bullying, and poor peer or family interactions. Appointments will be available from July 2 - August 3. To schedule an appointment please call the FCPS Parent Clinic at 703-503-2506.

Braddock District Council Aging in Place Committee: Hearing Issues & Aids by Dr. Leslie Lerner,
Wednesday, July 18, 1 p.m. – Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer advocates are needed through the Northern Virginia Long-Term-Care Ombudsman Program to represent the interests of residents in nursing homes and other assisted-living facilities. For information, call Camden Doran at (703) 324-5422 or e-mail camden-doran@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Meals on Wheels drivers and coordinators are needed for routes throughout the county. Volunteers also are needed as “mealtime companions” to ensure Meals on Wheels residents with memory loss are appropriately heating and consuming the meals. For information, call (703) 324-5406 or see the website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults.

Volunteers are needed to drive older adults to medical appointments and wellness programs. For information, call (703) 324-5406 or see the website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults.

Volunteer Drivers are needed by the Shepherd’s Center of Fairfax-Burke for trips to medical appointments (Monday - Friday) and companion shopping (Tuesday, Friday) within the Fairfax-Burke area and in the South County area (west of Route 1, Alexandria). Office volunteers are also needed to work in the SCFB (Oley Glen) office to schedule rides. Bilingual volunteers (English and Spanish) are especially needed as drivers and office volunteers. If you can volunteer your time, please email Shavaun Wall at recruiter@scfbva.org or call the office at 703-323-4788

Are You 50 or Better?

The next Lunch N’ Life sponsored by the Shepherd’s Center of Fairfax-Burke is on Thursday, July 19th, (12:00-2:00 p.m.) at Burke Presbyterian Church 5690 Oak Leather Drive, Burke. The guest presenters are Dr. Donald Trump and Dr. Sage Bolt with INOVA speaking on Life with Cancer. For reservations, call Bea Stephenson at 703-273-5730 **by July 13th**. 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.

Dementia Caregiver Support Groups.

Shepherd’s Center of Fairfax-Burke sponsors a monthly meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (Noon – 1:30 p.m.) for caregivers to learn and to share with others experiencing similar challenges. Before attending, contact the facilitator, Eileen Thompson at 703-451-8626 or Eileen.thompson1@gmail.com.

Exercise Classes

The Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke offers exercise classes for older adults. Classes are designed to build strength and improve balance, and flexibility. All levels of ability are welcome. The application form can be printed from their website, www.scfbva.org, or contact their office at (703) 323-4788 at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax (9:30 – 10:30 am) classes begin on Monday, August. 6 to September 24 (no class on September 3 for \$17.50), and Friday, August 10 to September 28 for \$20.00.

Transportation 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 Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke transportation phone number 703-323-4788 at least five days in advance to make arrangements for your driver.

FROM AARP's FRAUD WATCH NETWORK: Summer Time is Prime Time for Home Repair Scams

The summer months are prime time for home repair scams. **HOW IT WORKS:** The general ruse involves someone coming to your door and offering to do work on your home, typically at a big discount. Do your research if an offer seems too good to be true. How it works: A con artist representing himself as a contractor comes to your door and claims he has just finished a job for a neighbor. Since he's in the neighborhood, he'll say, you can get work done at a steep discount. While that's a common sales tactic, it can also be a sign of a scam. Scammers will demand payment upfront, and then disappear. Or they'll do the work but it will be shoddy. Or they will demand more money to finish the job.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW: Be wary of anyone who comes to your door and offers to fix a problem. The con artist will try to pressure you into making a decision quickly. He or she will likely ask you to pay for the work upfront.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO: Get a written estimate and compare bids before starting any work. Ask a contractor for three references – and check them. Check with the [Better Business Bureau](http://www.bbb.org) for complaints before you hire a contractor. Make sure you have a written contract before work starts. Be careful if you choose to work with contractors who contact you. When you do need to get work done, ask friends, neighbors and relatives for recommendations. Most importantly, never pay a thing until you have a written contract in hand. When it comes to fraud, vigilance is our number one weapon. You have the power to protect yourself and your loved ones from scams.

Land Use

Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Training Center Site Comprehensive Plan

Please see the article on the first page.

For information about the Comprehensive Plan process, visit: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/plan-amendments/training-center-site>.

Task force meeting agendas, handouts, PowerPoints, and minutes are available at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/plan-amendments/training-center-site/meetings>.

Comprehensive Plan for Northeast Corner of Braddock Road and Roberts Road

A proposal has been filed to create a high-end residential development at this site, which is approximately 9.56 acres and is zoned R-1. It is currently developed with three single-family detached homes and a church, which

would be removed. The property owner has proposed developing it with 45 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.

Supervisor Cook held a second community meeting on July 2 to get input from residents about development at this site. Issues discussed included traffic (particularly increased traffic on Roberts Road), density of any development, tree save, stormwater, and screening. County Planning staff will be taking the comments from that meeting, their own research and additional data collection, and will be preparing recommendations for a Comprehensive Plan Amendment for this site. The staff recommendation is due in October and will be considered by the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee at its October 16 meeting. Please submit your comments on this proposal to braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Information about this 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

The Woodlands Retirement Community 4320 Forest Hill Drive, Fairfax SEA 97-Y-035-02 & PCA 1997-SU-027-02

The Woodlands Retirement Community has filed a Proffer Condition Amendment and a Special Exception Amendment to construct 42 additional surface parking spaces on the property for a total of 98 surface parking spaces and 86 underground parking spaces. This is still fewer than the 126 parking spaces authorized in the original approval. The applicant has also requested a reduction in the minimum age of residents from 62 to a minimum age of 55 to be consistent with the Federal Fair Housing Act and other age-restricted communities in Fairfax County.

A public hearing before the Planning Commission is scheduled for July 12. Residents who wish to testify before the Planning Commission are encouraged to register in advance at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planningcommission/speaker>.

The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to hear the case on July 31. To testify before the Board of Supervisors, please register at <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form>.

Cases Filed Before the Board of Supervisors

The Ridgewood 4209 Ridge Top Road, Fairfax

The Ridgewood building is a mixed-use development, which was zoned to allow for multi-family residential, office, and retail uses. The approved rezoning application specified the secondary uses that are permitted by-right on the property. A Taekwondo studio has expressed interest in locating in an empty retail space in the building. However, a Taekwondo studio is classified as a "private school of special education," which is a permitted secondary use in the zoning district, but was not listed in the proffers for this property. The request has been filed as a Minor Variation, which is permitted if the Zoning Administrator determines that the use substantially conforms to what has been approved and does not materially alter the character of the development. If the Zoning Administrator determines that the use is compatible, the application would then go before the Board of Supervisors for a final decision. We anticipate that this application will be considered by the Board of Supervisors on July 31.

Braddock District Land Use & Environment Committee

The next meeting of the Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee will be on **Tuesday, July 17, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Braddock Hall**. The Committee does not meet in August. Braddock District Land Use and Environment Committee meetings are open to the public.

Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Short-Term Lodging (STL)

(Residential Owner/Renter Operated Dwellings Only)

The Planning Commission on June 21 unanimously recommended approval of a Short-Term Lodging Zoning Ordinance Amendment for residential owner/renter operated dwellings. Short-Term Lodging (STL) is identified as any occupancy of a dwelling for a period of less than 30 days. This type of stay is offered on platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, and FlipKey. The Zoning Ordinance currently does not permit such uses in any dwelling unit and only allows short-term overnight stays as a hotel/motel or bed and breakfast, both of which could require a rezoning or Special Exception.

The goal in developing this proposal was to balance the interests of residents in protecting the character of their neighborhoods with the interest of residents who want to operate STLs in their residences. After extensive public input, County staff developed proposed regulations and the Planning Commission recommended approval of the language in the staff report with three main changes: reducing the maximum number of nights a dwelling may be used as STL, reducing the maximum number of occupants, and requiring at least one parking space. The Planning Commission also recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize staff to prepare a follow-up Zoning Ordinance Amendment to establish a Special Permit process to allow an operator to request additional nights per year or increase the number of occupants allowed and address enforcement. The proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment would become effective on October 1, 2018, to give residents time to come into compliance.

The proposal recommended by the Planning Commission would:

- Only allow property owners or renters to offer their primary residence as short-term lodging. This limitation is to prevent businesses from operating multiple, full-time rentals, like a hotel or motel, in residential neighborhoods.
- Limit the number of nights to 45 per year total, of which no more than 15 nights may be without the operator present.
- Limit occupancy to four adults (except where the Building Code provides for a lower maximum occupancy).
- Allow only one rental contract per night, not multiple rentals.
- Require the designation of one parking space available for lodgers, and identify other available parking or public transportation options.
- Prohibit hosting commercial events, like parties, weddings or fundraisers.
- Require that the operator identify an authorized agent who will be available to address issues or emergencies that may arise in the absence of the operator.
- Require a STL permit, which would cost \$200 and be valid for two years.
- Require operators to pay a 6% Transient Occupancy Tax, which would be divided evenly among a general tax, a tourism tax, and a share for regional transportation.
- Establish a Special Permit process to allow an operator to request additional nights per year, with or without the operator present, and/or increase the number of adult lodgers permitted per rental contract. The Special Permit option should include a requirement for a fire and safety inspection, including an appropriate fee for such inspection, and a Special Permit fee of not less than \$910.

- Limit the appeal period for a Notice of Violation citing violations of the Short-Term Lodging Ordinance to ten days, rather than the 30 days currently authorized.
- Request a report to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors 12 or 18 months after the effective date to recommend amendments to the ordinance or to the enforcement policy, if such changes are deemed necessary.
- Explore the possibility of entering into an agreement with the three major hosting platforms (Airbnb, VRBO, and FlipKey) to remove non-compliant operators from those platforms.

The Board of Supervisors may adopt the staff recommendation, the Planning Commission recommendation, or other alternatives as long as they fall within the advertised parameters. The staff report on this proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment is available at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/zoning/short-term-property-rentals>.

The Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on STLs on July 10 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Auditorium. Residents who wish to testify before the Board are encouraged to register in advance at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form>.

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. 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.

Yuen Sterling – 5002 Chanticleer Avenue, Annandale SP 2018-BR-033

The applicant is seeking a reduction of certain yard requirements to permit construction of an attached garage 5.1 feet from a side lot line and to permit an accessory storage structure (shed) to remain 5.9 feet from the rear lot line. This application was approved by the BZA on June 27. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4244968>.

Thomas Sords – 9817 Bronte Drive, Fairfax SP 2018-BR-032

The applicant is seeking a reduction of minimum yard requirements to permit an accessory storage structure (shed) to remain 6.2 feet from one side and 3.2 feet from another side lot line, and a reduction of certain yard requirements to permit construction of an addition 5.0 feet from a side lot line. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on July 11. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found here: <http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4244710>.

Brian McCarthy & Jennifer Buck – 5422 Bromyard Court, Burke SP 2018-BR-047 & A 2018-BR-015

The applicants have filed for a modification to the limitations on the keeping of animals to permit a third dog to reside at their property. Because the lot size is less than 12,500 square feet, the Zoning Ordinance only permits up to two dogs to be kept there. The applicants have also filed an appeal of a Notice of Violation issued for the keeping of dogs to allow time for this application to be considered. The application is scheduled to go before the BZA on July 25, and the appeal is scheduled to be heard on September 26. Information, including a map of

the site and staff report, when available, may be found here:

<http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4247014>.

Patriot Pawsability – 10611 Braddock Road, Fairfax

SP 2018-BR-051

The applicant is seeking a Special Permit for an indoor commercial recreation use to open a cat café, a place where patrons can relax and interact with cats and kittens from local cat rescues. In the application, the developer stated that the hours of operation would be from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week, as well as 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on weekdays for community outreach. There would be four employees and two volunteers, and they estimate 50 patrons per day. The facility would serve the Fairfax area, but focus on the students of George Mason University. The applicant has stated that they plan to offer different classes and activities such as Trivia Night, Music with Cats, Paint Night, and Board Game Night as well as quiet study time. Community outreach would focus on Wounded Warriors and the elderly. This application is scheduled to go before the BZA on September 12. Information, including a map of the site and staff report, when available, may be found here:

<http://ldsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ZAPSMain.aspx?cde=SP&seq=4247934>.

FREE!

FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY Summer Entertainment Series Braddock Nights²⁰¹⁸

Friday Evenings

Welcome to our summer 2018 season! This series of free musical performances presents a wide array of performances from classical to bluegrass and everything in between. The atmosphere is informal and you're encouraged to bring a picnic dinner, blankets and lawn chairs and relax with friends and family to celebrate the end of the workweek. Volunteers are always welcome! For more information, please contact my office at 703-425-9300. I look forward to seeing you this summer.

John C. Cook, Braddock District Supervisor



Lake Accotink Park

7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield
Fridays • 7:30-8:30 p.m.

JULY

- 6 City of Fairfax - Main Street Community Band (Concert Band)
- 13 Karl Stoll & The Danger Zone (Rockin' Blues)
- 20 BG & The Mojo Hands (Swing)
- 27 Marian McLaughlin Ensemble (Chamber/Folk)

AUGUST

- 3 Empty Bottle String Band (Oldtime String Band)
- 10 The Ragbirds (Folk/Roots/Pop)
- 17 City of Fairfax Band 'Alte Kameraden German Band' (German)
- 24 St. Stephens United Methodist Church Youth Band (2017 Battle of the Bands Winner)



Royal Lake Park

5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax
Fridays • 7:30-8:30 p.m.

JULY

- 6 Little Red & The Renegades (Zydeco)
- 13 Gina DeSimone and the Moaners (Blues/Swing)
- 20 Laura Lea & Tripp Fabulous (Party Rock/Cover Band)
- 27 Natty Beaux (Swing)

AUGUST

- 3 Veronneau (World Jazz)
- 10 Frankie Addison Band (R&B)
- 17 Thrillbillys (Roots Music)
- 24 Mars Rodeo (Classic/Modern Rock)



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