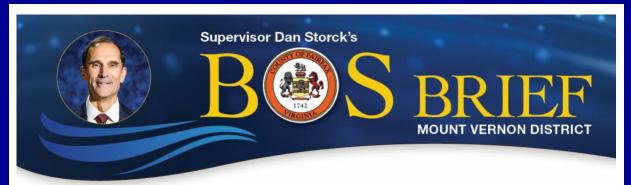
### February 8, 2022



### Dear Neighbors,

February is **Black History Month** and the Mount Vernon District is steeped in African American history with the **Quander family**, the **oldest documented African American family in the Country**, and **Gum Springs**, the **oldest African American community** in Fairfax County located right here. This year's Black History Month presentation was done out of the Board room with Chairman Jeff McKay introducing a **panel discussion at the McLean Community Center (MCC)** with well-known local Black leaders. A great discussion followed about the **20-minute virtual reality film** called "**Traveling While Black,"** which explores the **lingering societal affects of racism**. This impactful film is available at MCC through February 12 and then moves on to the **Sherwood Regional Library**. You can watch a video of the panel discussion here. **For more ways to celebrate Black History Month, visit our very own Gum Springs Historical Society and Museum**, Fairfax County's website and Visit Fairfax.

At Tuesday's Board of Supervisors meeting, we had **two wonderful community presentations**. In the first, we recognized **Pohick Church** for hosting its **75th Annual Country Fair**. Established in 1732 and home parish to vestrymen such as **George Washington**, **George Mason and George William Fairfax**, Pohick Church is truly an **historic treasure**. In fact, the steps of Pohick Church may well have been one of the **first public places the Declaration of Independence** was originally read. The fair **brings neighbors together** for historic reenactments, pony rides, handmade apple butter, games, live music and more. Proceeds from the fair support **local community outreach efforts and non-profits**. The fair takes place **each fall on the grounds** of Pohick Church.

We also recognized the **Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Association** in celebration of the opening of the memorial last year. This group of **dedicated**, **hardworking women and men** persisted for many years to bring this memorial to life. Located on former Lorton prison land, in what is now **Occoquan Regional Park**, this site is fitting and representative of the **fight for women's right to vote** and the **suffragists who were imprisoned** nearby after their silent protests outside the White House. If you have not visited this moving memorial, **I encourage you to do so!** 

Finally, I invite you to join me - in-person or virtually - on**Saturday, February 12** for the **35th Annual Mount Vernon Town Meeting**. Our ever popular Exhibit Hall featuring **County and community service providers** opens at 7:45 a.m., followed by our formal presentation, speakers, **Q & A's and "virtual tour"** of all that is happening in the District from Huntington to Lorton. I am excited to announce that **NEW THIS YEAR** we will be hosting the **Mount Vernon Children's Business Fair from 9 a.m. - noon** to encourage young entrepreneurs in our community. The County Health Department will also be on hand administering **COVID-19 vaccines and boosters**. Visit our website to learn more.

Respectfully yours in public service,

Dan Storck

Supervisor, Mount Vernon District Fairfax County Board of Supervisors The following are highlights from the Board of Supervisors February 8, 2022 meeting, including items of particular interest to Mount Vernon residents. For additional information, please go to the County's Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule. The clerk to the board's official Summary of Board Actions is available the week following each meeting. Information is also available by a video linked to the board agenda and the Board of Supervisors Highlights podcast.

Para recibir la información de **nuestro boletín electrónico en españo**l, o **para hablar con un hispanohablante**, comuníquese con **Madeleine Carcamo Reyes** a su preferencia, por teléfono al (703) 780-7518 o por correo electrónico:

Madeleine.CarcamoReyes@fairfaxcounty.gov.

To view the February 8, 2022 Board Package click here.

## **Proclamations and Recognitions**



**Pohick Church 75th Annual Country Fair** 



Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Association

# **Confederate Road Name Task Force**

The **Board received the final report** of the Confederate Names Task Force. The Task Force was charged with **evaluating and recommending possible alternative names** to Lee Highway (Route 29) and Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway (Route 50). Following a **wide-reaching outreach campaign** and thousands of responses from the public, the Task Force **recommended renaming both highways**. They also suggested **possible new names** for each road.

#### Lee Highway:

- Cardinal Highway
- Route/Highway 29
- Langston Boulevard/Highway
- Lincoln-Douglass Highway
- Fairfax Boulevard/Highway

#### Lee-Jackson Memorial Highway

- Little River Turnpike
- Unity Highway
- Route 50
- Fairfax Boulevard
- Blue & Gray Highway

The **Board established this important Task Force** to review the names of two major roadways. Any **decision to change street names** is one I and my Board colleagues will **take seriously as we consider the report** and all community input. I am proud to be part of a Board that has a **strong record of focusing on racial inequities** and advancing our community together. I also understand that changing street names **presents many challenges and concerns**. For one, taking this action may **create undue financial costs and confusion** for the thousands of businesses and people who **work and live** along those major thoroughfares. To **continue to gather feedback**, the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) **created an email inbox** and **survey to target those along routes 29 and 50** to ensure we have conducted **substantial outreach with people in those communities**. The results will be shared at a Transportation Committee meeting in June.

# **Spanish Closed Captioning**

Fairfax County's Channel 16 will now provide Spanish closed captioning for all public meetings and live events. While Spanish language is the start, our County team plans to review what options are available for other major languages represented in our community. In a Board Matter last year, Chairman Jeff McKay asked that the County better operationalize our language access and translation services. The Board recently received a memo outlining recommendations for this work. In general, those are as follow:

- Establish a language access team in the Office of Public Affairs.
- Direct agencies to conduct an inventory of their content to ensure existing materials create meaningful access to those persons with limited English proficiency.
- Coordinate a team of countywide language access specialists to develop a longterm Language Access Plan to be completed this spring.
- Dedicate resources to language access technology.
- I look forward to sharing more as this plan develops!

## **Administrative Items**

**Item 4:** Approved **four speed humps on Woodley Drive**, as part of the Residential Traffic Administration Program (RTAP). *The full item can be read on pages 17 - 20 of the Board Package.* 

#### **Authorized public hearings on:**

 The Board also authorized the advertisement of a public hearing for Proposed One-Year Action Plan for FY 2023 regarding housing and community development needs in the County. Public hearing will be held on March 22 at 4:00 p.m.

# **Supervisor Storck Board Matters**

#### **Fairfax County Tree Commission 2021 Annual Report**

On November 17, 2021, the Fairfax County Tree Commission transmitted its **2021 Annual Report to the Board**. The Commission's 2021 Report provides an overview of what is happening with respect to **tree preservation**, **planting and related activities** across Fairfax County. This is the **first consolidated annual report** of the Tree Commission and is based on the reporting requirements as defined in the 2019 Tree Action Plan, **Fairfax Green Initiatives Item #5A** and the Tree Commission Charter. It makes **specific recommendations** to the Board of Supervisors, including actions to support Fairfax Green Initiative Item #5A, a Community of Practice matrix and improving the Land Development Process.

#### Action

Directed the County Executive to charge the Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination, with support from relevant county agencies, to prepare a response to the Tree Commission's 2021 Annual Report, prioritize its recommendations and report back to the appropriate Board of Supervisor's Committees at a future meeting.

# **Public Hearings**

The Alexandria Crossing public hearing was **deferred until February 22**, due to the **Planning Commission** deferring their decision to February 16.

# **Upcoming Land Use Cases**

### **Board of Supervisors**

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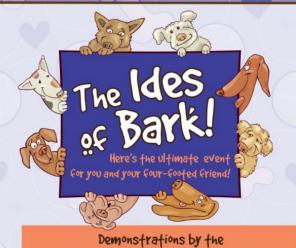
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- PCA-2009-MV-018 Scannell Properties #82 and #117, LLC, 8991 Belvoir View PI, Lorton. Amend proffers/conditions associated with RZ-2009-MV-018 to permit Freight Distribution Hub (formerly Motor Freight Terminal) within approved warehouse building.

### **Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)**

#### March 9:

- SP-2021-MV-072 Diuris J. Quaint and Little Beginners LLC, 2701 Dawn Drive.
   Special permit for home day care facility and reduction in setback requirements based on errors in building location to permit an accessory structure 1.4 feet from side lot line.
- SP-2021-MV-00087 Virginia E. and J. Timothy O'Neil, 2116 Belle Haven Rd. Increase in fence or wall height in a front yard.
- SP-2021-MV-00141 David Domanski, 8029 Candlewood Drive. Reduction in setback requirements to permit an addition 13.7 feet from the rear lot line.
- SP-2021-MV-00053 Ethiopian Orthodox Church, 9290 Windrush Drive, Lorton.
   Special permit to build a Church on a R-1 residential lot.

# **District Information & Upcoming Events**



fairfax county Police K-9 Unit

Sunday, March 27, 2022 1-4 p.m.

Admission is FREE!

Grist Mill Park

4710 Mf. Vernon Memorial Hwy., Alexandria

Games • Prizes • Food fun • Vendors

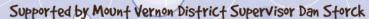
Register your dog with fairfax county. fee is \$10 (cash or check). owners must show proof of a current rabies shot.



















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