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Request for Authorization of a Special Lorton Area Study January 26, 2021

At the October 27, 2020 Land Use Policy Committee meeting, county staff presented the anticipated 2021 work program, which anticipated a Lorton Area Study. This study was defined to include consultant support and services and a transportation analysis and county staff recommended moving the study to an active status. This study will allow staff and the community to determine the best approach to identify and evaluate changes to the Comprehensive Plan regarding land uses, densities, transportation conditions, parks, recreational areas, environmental corridors, and other supporting infrastructure and public facilities. After conferring with county staff, it was determined that this request should precede the forthcoming request for funds for the adoption of consulting resources for this project and two others.

As background, we have the opportunity to develop a new vision for Lorton, which should be evaluated with placemaking and connectivity goals in mind, especially as they relate to bicyclists and pedestrians, and within the backdrop of the larger context of the cultural and recreational systems to define a "there, there" and strengthen the places where community members can meet their neighbors, businesses can thrive, and everyone who lives, works, and visits Lorton can share in the benefits of these resources.

As a part of developing a structure for that new vision, the connections between that new vision and the potential for new indoor and outdoor recreational opportunities on industrial sites, and the potential for re-imagining the Workhouse should be considered. While the intention is not to re-plan areas that are 1) established, 2) developing under recently developed master plans, and/or 3) expected to be master planned in the future; it is critical to understand how the entirety of Lorton can be planned in a cohesive manner.

Specific focus should be placed on the Lorton Road area east of Silverbrook Road including the Lorton Town Center, and the Route 1 corridor from Fort Belvoir to

the Occoquan River. The work should also establish a context for future potential land use changes, including linkages with those areas, that could help strengthen a distinct identity for Lorton and that would examine ways for existing and potential future assets to complement one another to build community identity and an improved sense of place.

Therefore, I move that the Board of Supervisors authorize a special study for the Lorton Area and direct staff to prepare a Comprehensive Plan amendment that reflects the community's future vision. As part of the study, new or improved placemaking and connectivity opportunities should be considered in the context of the immediate area's many unique historic, cultural, natural, recreational and transportation assets to ensure that we take a comprehensive look at additional ways to embrace and link to these distinct places.



County of Fairfax, Virginia

Joint Board Matter with Supervisor Dan Storck, Supervisor James Walkinshaw, and Supervisor Kathy Smith

Request for Funding for Lorton, Fairfax Center Area, and South County SSPA Comprehensive Planning Studies January 26, 2021

In order to facilitate the Lorton Visioning Study, Phase III of the Fairfax Center Area Study, as well as other planning efforts that are currently listed on and proposed to be added to the Comprehensive Plan Amendment Work Program today, consultant resources will be necessary to supplement the efforts of county staff.

As part of the staff presentation at our October 27, 2020 Land Use Policy Committee meeting, Department of Planning and Development staff included information related to the anticipated need for consultant resources to support the Lorton Visioning Study, the third phase of the Fairfax Center Area study, and at least two of the South County Site-specific Plan Amendments that are proposed to be added to the work program. Staff estimated between \$75,000 to \$100,000 each was needed for the Lorton Visioning Study and for the Fairfax Center Area Phase III study to provide market research as needed, community engagement and visioning assistance, and development of potential land use and design scenarios, for a total of \$150,000-\$200,000. The need for assistance for community outreach, scenario planning, and design support for some of the South County SSPAs is also requested in the amount of \$50,000.

In addition, the Department of Transportation has indicated the need for funding to complete the requisite transportation studies associated with the Lorton and Fairfax Center Area studies – approximately \$550,000 total.

SUPERVISOR DAN STORCK MOUNT VERNON DISTRICT FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS The Board recognized that funding would be needed for these studies and that it makes sense to ensure that those funds are identified before beginning the studies, to avoid any unnecessary delays with the planning work and obtaining funding after a study has commenced.

Therefore Mr. Chairman, I move the Board of Supervisors add a consideration item as part of FY 2021 3rd quarter budget carryover for a total of \$800,000 for these upcoming planning studies. The allocation of the funding would be as follows: \$250,000 to the Department of Planning and Development for consultant support for the Lorton Visioning, Fairfax Center Area, and Site-specific Plan Amendment work, and \$550,000 to the Department of Transportation for the needed transportation analysis for Fairfax Center Area and the Lorton Visioning studies.



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Mount Vernon's 34th Annual Town Meeting January 26, 2021

Once again, this year I am fortunate to have the opportunity to continue a Mount Vernon tradition established by my predecessor in 1988, the annual Mount Vernon Town Meeting. While this year will look different and be entirely virtual, the Town Meeting provides a forum to inform the Mount Vernon community about what its government is doing for them, and even more importantly, listen to the people discuss and debate our future. I am pleased that Chairman Jeff McKay, County Executive Bryan Hill, Mount Vernon School Board Representative Karen Corbett Sanders and Health Department Director Dr. Gloria Addo-Ayensu will be presenting to residents. The meeting will take place the Saturday before the Super Bowl on February 6 and will be live on Channel 16 and Facebook, from 9 am - noon. I invite all my colleagues to tune in for this annual event.

Proposed Action

Therefore, Chairman McKay, I ask, with unanimous consent, that the Board of Supervisors direct the Office of Public Affairs to advertise the Town Meeting on its various communications platforms.

Attachment

34th Mount Vernon Town Meeting



When: Saturday, February 6, 2021

Where: Live on Channel 16 & Facebook

Time: 9:00am – noon

Program: Speakers, Audience Q&A's and Virtual Tour



Meet your Supervisor and many county, state and federal leaders. Have your questions answered, learn about issues important to you and connect with county agencies and serviceproviders. The highlight of the meeting will be taking a "virtual flying tour" of the District, with your "pilot" Supervisor Dan Storck.

Speakers: Board of Supervisors Chairman Jeffrey C. McKay, County Executive Bryan Hill, Mount Vernon District School Board Member Karen Corbett Sanders, Congressmen Gerry Connolly and Don Beyer, Heath Department Director Dr. Gloria Addo-Ayensu and Fort Belvoir Garrison Commander Col. Joshua SeGraves.

Engage in Our Community in 2021!





Mount Vernon's 34th Annual Town Meeting

Saturday, February 6, 2021 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Virtual

9:00	Welcome, Introductions
	Dan Storck, Mount Vernon District Supervisor
9:30 - 9:40	Special Guests Congressmen Gerry Connolly & Don Beyer
9:40 - 9:50	Chairman Jeffrey C. McKay
9:50 - 10:00	County Executive Bryan Hill
10:00 - 10:15	Dr. Gloria Addo-Ayensu COVID-19 Update
10:15 - 10:40	Community questions
10:40— 10:55	Fairfax County School Board Mount Vernon District Member Karen Corbett Sanders—Mount Vernon Schools Update
10:55 - 11:10	Question & Answer Session
11:10 - 11:40	District Virtual Tour
11:40 - 12:00	Wrap up and Thank You













BOARD MATTER January 26, 2021

2020 Fairfax County Environmental Excellence Awards

Each year, the Fairfax County Environmental Excellence Awards honor individual residents, organizations or businesses, and county employees who advance or support the county's environmental goals and policies. The honorees dedicate personal time and expertise beyond their normal civic, fiscal, or professional responsibilities and they consistently demonstrate leadership as role models for others.

In 2020, five awardees were named by the Environmental Quality Advisory Council on behalf of the Board of Supervisors. Together, these honorees have devoted countless hours to the improvement of the natural environment in the county through public advocacy, volunteerism, the implementation of programs and sustainability strategies, and mentorship.

Due to the onset of the coronavirus pandemic last year, we were unable to gather to celebrate our honorees, as we typically do each fall. Therefore, today, I would like to recognize the five winners of the 2020 Fairfax County Environmental Excellence Awards.

The Individual County Resident category included three winners. They are:

- Sara Holtz, who is an active volunteer with several prominent environmental organizations in Fairfax County and who dedicates over 1,000 hours each year to local causes and organizations.
- Delegate Mark Keam, who represents Virginia's 35th House District, located entirely within Fairfax County, and has been a staunch advocate on behalf of renewable energy and environmental justice.
- And Meghan Walker, who has served the community for well over a decade in her numerous positions with the Friends of Lake Accotink Park, including as President.

The winner of the Business category is Freddie Mac, whose accomplishments include the development of mortgage products to incentivize the greening of building and the avoidance of significant waste and transportation emissions.

The winner of the County Employee category is Vickie Anglin, who volunteered to lead a team focusing on health and the environment as part of development of the County Strategic Plan.

We are very fortunate to have these leaders working in our community. Their efforts ensure that county residents and visitors can continue to enjoy a healthy, safe, vibrant, and beautiful natural environment for years to come.

Therefore, I move that the Board direct the Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination to recognize and publicize the winners.



County of Fairfax, Virginia

Supervisor Pat Herrity

Jointly with Supervisor Storck, Supervisor Smith, Supervisor Palchik, Supervisor Lusk, Supervisor Alcorn (requested), Supervisor Foust, Supervisor Walkinshaw, Supervisor Gross and Chairman McKay Board Matter

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2021 Fairfax County Annual Teen Job and Opportunity Fairs

Background: Mr. Chairman, my office, Fairfax County Public Schools and Connection Newspapers, along with Supervisors' offices, businesses, and community organizations including our local chambers, have hosted very successful teen job fairs and career-building workshops for the past few years. These events focused on students and young job seekers looking for a variety of employment opportunities; full time, after-school, seasonal positions, internship opportunities, and volunteer positions. The fairs have provided thousands of teenagers the opportunity to get in front of employers and for our employers to find talented Fairfax County students to fill their positions.

This year I am once again teaming up with Connection Newspapers, Fairfax County Public Schools, community chambers and organizations and my fellow Board members to bring our community two Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs and Career-Building Workshops. Normally, we host 5-6 fairs at local high schools. With the limitations of the ongoing pandemic, this year's fairs will be hosted virtually through Brazen, a professional virtual job fair platform. The virtual fairs are scheduled for Saturday, March 13th from 2-5p.m. and Saturday, March 20th from 11a.m. to 2p.m.

The fairs will be open to all teens in Fairfax County looking for employment, volunteer opportunities, or tips on building their resume. Free online booth space will be provided to businesses and organizations to advertise their available positions. We will also host resume and career building sessions with our Chamber of Commerce partners. Beginning February 1st, both students as well as employers may register to attend by visiting the following link: https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/teenjobfairs

SUPERVISOR PAT HERRITY SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS First jobs are important, and these events help connect teens with employers and prepare our youth for the workforce. This year especially, our students and employers are desperate for opportunities provided by the fair with the hope that some normalcy will begin this summer.

Motion: Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board ask the Office of Public Affairs to help publicize the 2021 Fairfax County Teen Job and Opportunity Fairs to the local community.

SUPERVISOR PAT HERRITY SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS