# FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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# **COUNTY GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE**

Fairfax County has an elected Board of Supervisors consisting of nine members elected by district, plus a chairman elected atlarge. The law requires that districts be of approximately equal population and that the supervisors (other than the chairman) be residents and qualified voters of their districts and be elected only by voters living in those districts. All voters in the county may vote for the chairman. The Board elects the vice chairman annually from among its members at its first meeting in January. Board members are elected for four-year terms. There is no legal limit to the number of terms a member can serve.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD

The Board establishes county government policy, passes resolutions and ordinances (within the limits of its authority established by the Virginia General Assembly), approves the budget, sets local tax rates, approves land use plans and makes appointments to various positions. These actions are taken in open meetings, which the public is encouraged to attend. All discussions are held in public, with the exception of issues exempt from the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, such as legal or personnel issues.

## MEETINGS

Board meetings are open to the public and conducted according to the Board's Rules of Procedure based on Robert's Rules of Order. The chairman presides at Board meetings and has all the rights and duties of other Board members including one vote, but does not have independent executive authority or a legislative veto.

The Board usually meets two Tuesdays per month in the Board Auditorium in the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. People with access to the Internet can view and download Board meeting agendas and archived summaries of Board actions at www.fairfaxcounty. gov/boardofsupervisors/board-supervisors-meetings. They can also subscribe to "Weekly Agenda" (www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicaffairs/weekly-agenda) a weekly email newsletter that contains links to meeting agendas for the Board of Supervisors, Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission, plus the summary of Board actions.

#### **Accessibility**

The auditorium is accessible to people with disabilities. In addition to being accessible to people in wheelchairs, it also has an audio-enhancement system with multiple receivers. Requests for these receivers should be made in advance by calling the Department of Clerk Services at 703-324-3151.

#### Public Hearings

To speak at a public hearing before the Board, you are encouraged to register in advance with the Department of Clerk Services at 703-324-3151 or online at www. fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form. Related documents are usually available at public libraries and the Department of Clerk Services. Lists of scheduled speakers for specific public hearings are available inside the Board Auditorium. If you are speaking on your own behalf you are given three minutes; if you are speaking for an organization, association or group you have five minutes. When you begin your presentation to the Board, you must state your name

and address for the record. To distribute copies of your statement to the Board, staff and the media, please bring 15 copies with you. The Board Auditorium is equipped with a variety of audiovisual equipment you may use. Arrangements must be made in advance with the Department of Cable and Consumer Services for the equipment, 703-222-8435.

## **Public Comment**

Residents can contact the chairman or their supervisor by calling or writing at any time, but they can address the Board as a whole during public comment time. Public comment time is scheduled regularly, generally following the last public hearing of the day at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Board will hear public comment on any issue except issues under litigation, issues that have been scheduled for public hearing before the Board and personnel matters and/or comments regarding individuals. Each speaker must register in advance and has up to three minutes. A maximum of 10 speakers will be heard. Speakers may address the Board only once during a six-month period. For more information and to register, call the Department of Clerk Services at 703-324-3151 or sign up online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form.

# TELEVISED AND STREAMING COVERAGE

Board meetings are televised live on Fairfax County Government Channel 16 (in HD on Cox 1016), and streamed live at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cableconsumer/channel-16/live-videostream. The morning session is replayed at 8 p.m. the following Friday, and the entire meeting is replayed at 10 a.m. the following Saturday on both the channel and the stream. Call 703-324-7700 to listen live to the meeting. All Board meetings are closed-captioned.

Past meetings are available to stream or download, along with additional resources, at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cableconsumer/channel-16/board-supervisors-meetings. Contact the Communications Productions Division at 703-324-5930 for more information.

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

Every day people discuss, debate and engage Fairfax County Government in conversations using social media. We recognize the vital importance of participating in these conversations and are committed to ensuring we participate and listen in meaningful ways. Follow and like us on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, Instagram and more. View the full list of official county social media sites, at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news2/social-hub.

# ON THE WEB

The Board of Supervisors webpage, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors, provides links to the Board members' individual webpages, the meeting schedule, a "Find Your District Supervisor" application, Board of Supervisors' news, committee assignments, goals and priorities, pictures of presentations to residents and more.

For more information, contact the Fairfax County Office of Public Affairs, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 551, Fairfax, VA 22035-0065. Tel. 703-324-3187. Fairfax County is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in all county programs, services and activities. For reasonable ADA accommodations or alternative formats, call 703-324-3151. **All numbers are TTY 711.**