January 14, 2020





Yesterday the new Board of Supervisors (BOS) met to **kick off the 2020 Board year!** We are excited to get to work on the County's business and are **looking forward to 2020!** We started the day with several Board organization items. First, we appointed **Supervisor Penny Gross as Vice-Chairman** of the BOS, members to intergovernmental committees and **leadership positions** of the BOS Standing Committees. I am honored to be chosen by my peers to serve as **Chair of the Board's Audit Committee and Environmental Committee**, as well as **Vice-Chair of the**

Economic Development Committee, to include the work previously done by the Revitalization Committee. I will also be serving for the first time on the **Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Board**.

Next, Chairman Jeff McKay introduced **two Board resolutions** calling on the Virginia General Assembly **grant equal taxing authority to counties and cities**, and reaffirming Fairfax County's **pledge to continued regionalism** throughout the National Capital Region. These are two key efforts to continuing to **grow the County's economic viability**.

Finally, we approved the **BOS meeting schedule** for the year.

Respectfully yours in public service,

Dan Storck Supervisor, Mount Vernon District Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

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important information in the District!

Brief to see upcoming events and

Join me for the 33rd Annual Town Meeting on February 1, 2020, starting at 7:45 a.m. at Mount Vernon HS!

The following are **highlights from the Board of Supervisors January 14, 2020 meeting,** including items of particular interest to Mount Vernon residents. For additional information, please go to the County's Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule. You may listen to highlights from the Board meeting on your computer or listen directly on iTunes. Subscribe to the podcast, or choose a program and listen in.

The Board also recognized and designated:



January 2020 as Human Trafficking Awareness
Month



January 19 - 25, 2020, as Teen Cancer Awareness Week



January 20 - 26, 2020, as Community Risk Reduction Week

To view the January 14, 2020 Board Package click here.

Action Items

Item 1: Approved the **Board meeting schedule for January through December 2020** and authorized the Chairman to **defer any scheduled meeting to the Tuesday following** a scheduled Board meeting if the Chairman, or the Vice Chairman if the Chairman is unable to act, finds and declares that the weather or other conditions are such that it is hazardous for members to attend. *The full item can be read on pages 29 - 33 of the Board Package.*

Board Matters

Recognizing South County Football Team as Class 6 VHSL State Champions - Joint with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisor Pat Herrity

The **South County Varsity Football team** entered the **state championship game** on December 14, 2019, **undefeated with a record of 14-0**; this includes beating Westfield High School 28-21 in the Class 6 semifinals to clinch their spot in the state championship game.

A team lead by 40-year veteran Coach Gerry Pannoni, the **gritty and determined Stallions** went onto **defeat perennial powerhouse Oscar Smith High School** of
Cheasapeake, 14-13 in an intense defensive game. Oscar Smith struck first with a rushing
touchdown to give the Tigers the lead in the first quarter; however a touchdown pass from **South County's quarterback, Matt Dzierski**, to **Zion Dayne** would tie the game and a
rushing touchdown by **Keyshawn Toran** eventually gave South County the lead. Oscar
Smith would score again, but **missed an extra point** that would be the difference in the
game. A **scoreless second half** led by the stout Stallion defense would give them their **first state championship in school history**.

The South County Football team's journey to the championship brought together the Stallion nation, which was incredibly supported by their community, families, an amazing hype squad, and their alumni association. As Coach Pannoni reiterated throughout the season, "WE WILL NOT BE DEFEATED".

Action

Directed the Office of Public Affairs to invite the South County Boys Varsity Football team to come before the Board of Supervisors to be recognized on March 10, 2020.

Recognizing South County Varsity Football Coach Gerry Pannoni for 40 Years of Service - Joint with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisor Pat Herrity

Coach Gerry Pannoni has been a dedicated FCPS employee since he began his career in 1980 at Groveton High School. Throughout his 40 years of serving students, he has worked at West Potomac HS, West Springfield HS, Lee HS, Woodson HS, Centreville HS, and South County HS. However, if you ask Coach Pannoni, he has never worked a day in his life because he has such a passion and joy for what he does. He often sees former students who have graduated college who thank him for seeing their potential and pushing them to work hard whether in class or on the field. They often credit a reason for their successes (going to college, staying off the streets, working in their family businesses) in part to Coach Pannoni. He has served as a father figure to many of his students and athletes by providing them mentorship, food, transportation and more. His successes were not just as a teacher and football coach, but also as a baseball and swim and dive coach, as well being an active member in his community and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Most recently, Coach Pannoni won his **first state championship in December 2019**, with the South County Varsity Football team beating Oscar Smith, 14-13. He has been a servant leader throughout his 40 years, going **above and beyond the classroom** to give of himself for his students and communities.

Action

Directed the Office of Public Affairs to invite Coach Gerry Pannoni and his family to come before the Board of Supervisors to be recognized on March 10, 2020.

Mount Vernon's 33rd Annual Town Meeting

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. 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, School Board Chair and Representative Karen Corbett Sanders, Economic Development Authority President and CEO Victor Hoskins, and Fort Belvoir Garrison Commander Colonel Michael Greenberg will be presenting to residents. The meeting will take place the Saturday before the Super Bowl on February 1 at Mount Vernon High School, from 7:45 am - noon. This year's Town Meeting will include a special tribute to "The Year of the Woman" (as TEAM MVD has coined 2020), in celebration of the opening of the Lucy Burns Museum at the Workhouse Arts Center, the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial at Occoquan Regional Park, and the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment. I invite all my colleagues to join me for this annual event.

Action

Directed the Office of Public Affairs to advertise the Town Meeting on its various communications platforms.

Fairfax County 2020 Teen Job Fairs - Joint with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisors Pat Herrity, Dalia Palchik, Kathy Smith, Rodney Lusk and James Walkinshaw

Supervisor's Herrity's office and Connection Newspapers, along with a variety of Supervisor's offices, businesses and community organizations, have hosted **very successful teen job fairs and career-building workshops** for the past few years. These events focused on **students and younger 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 employers to find talented County students** to fill their positions.

This year there will be **five Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs and Career-Building Workshops**. They will be **open to all teens** in the County looking for employment, or tips on career-building skills like networking, building a resume or LinkedIn profile and interviewing. **Free booth space will be provided to any business or organization** to advertise their available positions. Both teenagers and businesses or organizations may register to attend here.

First jobs are important, and these events help**connect teens with employers** face to face and prepare our youth for the workforce. Job Fairs in the Mount Vernon District will be:

- Saturday, March 7 from 2 4 p.m. at South County HS
- Saturday, March 21 from 10 a.m. noon at Mount Vernon HS

Read more and view the schedule...

Action

Directed Office of Public Affairs to help publicize the 2020 Fairfax County Teen Job Fairs and Career-Building Workshops to the local community and to work with FCPS to publicize the fairs to our students as they have in prior years.

Public Hearings

Amend the Proffers for a Previously Approved Drive-in Financial Institution to Permit an Office Use

Approved 9360 Richmond Highway LLC to develop a 4,294-square foot **dental office building** at the intersection of **Lorton Road and Richmond Highway**. The full item can be read on page 63 of the Board Package.

Upcoming Land Use Cases

Public Hearing on SE 2019-MV-017 (Semia Yusuf D/B/A Panda Child Care) to Permit a Home Child Care Facility

This property is located at **9935 East Hill Dr.**, Lorton. The BOS public hearing was **deferred to January 28, 2020**. Staff report...

District Information & Upcoming Events

2020 Fairfax County Cable Television Survey

The County is interested in your **thoughts and opinions** regarding **cable television in your community**. As part of the County's cable franchise renewal process for Verizon and Comcast, we have set up a short **online survey** where you can express your views. Please take a few minutes to **provide your comments**. If you have questions, please feel free to **contact**



the County's Communications Policy and Regulation Division at 703-324-5902, TTY 711, email or visit our website. Read more...

Fort Belvoir Nuclear Reactor Decommissioning Public Comment

The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has completed an **environmental review** of the **planned decommissioning and dismantlement** of the **nuclear reactor** at Fort Belvoir that has not operated since the early 1970s. The plan is to **remove all traces of the reactor** and **restore the site** to a vegetated condition suitable for any future use. The draft report finding that there will be **no significant impact** from the removal is available for public review. The USACE invites public comments through **January 31, 2020**. A printed copy of the review is available at the **Lorton Library** and online.

Events:

- Saturdays: English Conversation Group 12:30 p.m.
- Jan 16: DMV2GO at Sherwood Library 10 a.m.
- Jan 18: Child Safety Seat Inspections 9:30 a.m.
- Jan 20: Holiday Hours County Offices & Libraries Closed
- Jan 22: Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations Meeting -7 p.m.
- Jan 23: The Demographic History of the Mount Vernon Area 7 p.m.
- Jan 27 & 29: DMV2GO at Hollin Hall Senior Center 9 a.m.
- Feb 1: Mount Vernon Town Meeting 7:45 a.m.
- And more...

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