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Mount Vernon

Joint Board Matter with Supervisors John Cook and Jeff McKay
Smart Phone Donation Boxes for Domestic Violence Shelters
June 4, 2019

The Artemis House Region I Domestic Violence Shelter opened earlier this year in Southern Fairfax County. My staff and I toured the facility and it is a truly remarkable facility with apartments that are inviting and welcoming. The addition of 30 beds to temporarily house domestic violence victims will empower individuals and their families to take control of their lives, providing a safe haven and stability at a time they are most in need of support and security. Prior to this facility, victims typically had to leave their communities, schools and support networks to travel across the County to receive services. We want to personally thank my three musketeers (as they call themselves) who worked tirelessly on this project, Lisa Sales, Mattie Palmore, and Karen Stone. Their focus, vision, and hard work helped bring these new services to fruition. We would also like to thank Tom Fleetwood and Joe Meyer whose staff members were instrumental in the site allocation, renovation process and in the day to day operations.

As you may expect, we still have more work to do as there are still many victims in need of our outreach and support. Recently, we became aware of a significant need for unlocked smart phones at our DV shelters. Victims often leave home with only the clothes on their backs, and even if they have brought their phone, it is often controlled by their abuser. A used phone can provide additional security and comfort to these individuals by ensuring they have the ability to dial 911; providing untraceable contact with their families and workplaces; and avoiding further alienation and loneliness as they struggle to heal and rebuild their lives.

We have set a goal of 110 smart phones for the 90 beds in Fairfax County with an additional buffer of 20 phones. This need is strictly for smart phones with the ability to access the internet and provide safety capabilities. In this case, older flip phones will not work. The donated smart phones will go directly to Shelter House, who will ensure the phones are wiped clean of personal data and ready for personal

use. With our engaged and caring community, we know we can reach this target in a matter of weeks.

Therefore, Madame Chair, we ask with unanimous consent that the Board approve and support an initiative to put smart phone donation boxes at each of our offices, and to advertise this initiative regularly in each of our newsletters and through social media. We also ask that Office of Public Affairs help advertise this need and the guidelines for donation.



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Mount Vernon Council of Citizen's Associations 50th Anniversary
June 4, 2019

The Mount Vernon Council of Citizen's Associations (MVCCA) is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

The MVCCA is a non-partisan and non-profit organization of associations in the Mount Vernon magisterial district of Fairfax County. The MVCCA operates independently of the District Supervisor, routinely taking positions on issues and making recommendations to the County. Over the past 50 years, the MVCCA has provided local neighborhoods with opportunities to coordinate and cooperate with the County to improve our communities for all our constituents.

Members of the MVCCA spend countless hours dedicated to the future of their communities, working to propose the best solutions for their neighbors. This grassroots organization has helped shape the neighborhoods that make up the Mount Vernon District and continues to create a unique community that attracts residents and visitors alike. The engagement opportunities MVCCA provides for residents give them a sense of ownership and pride in their community; fostering a lifelong relationship with their neighborhood and encouraging continued support for the Mount Vernon District and Fairfax County.

The MVCCA has helped foster the civic activism that our District is well known for, with educated residents and strong community leaders that understand and engage with our local government. It is this leadership within the MVCCA that has driven many positive changes in the District over the past 50 years and it will continue to be a positive force in our community. The MVCCA has exemplified stewardship and we are thankful for the time and effort all MVCCA members have dedicated to serving the Mount Vernon District.

Therefore, Madame Chair, I ask with unanimous consent that the Office of Public Affairs prepare a proclamation signed by the Chair and myself, commending and congratulating the Mount Vernon Council of Community Associations on 50 years of service to the Mount Vernon District to be presented to their Executive Committee by July 15, 2019.



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Consent to Filing of Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment Application for Liberty in Lorton

June 4, 2019

This is a request for the Board's consent to the filing of a Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment application on Board owned property within Liberty, formerly the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse project, specifically Tax Map Reference 107-1((9))H1. A Comprehensive Sign Plan for Liberty, as a whole, was approved by the Planning Commission on February 23, 2017.

The portion of the project for which this Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment application is requested is approved for commercial uses and is being developed by Liberty Heights LC, a development entity affiliated with Elm Street Development under an executed ground lease. This amendment application proposes additional signage within the commercial portion of Liberty

Therefore, Madam Chairman, I move that the Board, as owner in fee simple of Tax Map Reference 107-1((9))H1, consent to the filing of a Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment application by Liberty Heights, LC.



County of Fairfax, Virginia

To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods and diverse communities of Fairfax County

The Joint Environmental Task Force (JET) Supervisors Penny Gross and Dan Storck June 4, 2019

Madam Chairman: The Joint Environmental Task Force (The JET), a collaboration of the Board of Supervisors and the School Board to help identify and focus on shared issues related to climate, energy, and the environment, was established in April. As Chairman Bulova stated at that time, “Environmental issues intersect with many aspects of community life, and require a ‘One Fairfax’ lens in order to address comprehensively.” Designated members of the two boards have been meeting to draft a mission statement and develop a process for selecting community membership on The JET. The overall membership is anticipated to include business, industry, higher education representatives, and students, as well as community members.

While the mission statement continues to be refined, The JET is seeking nominations or recommendations from both boards for interested residents who are willing to serve on The JET. Deadline for nominations, which should include resumes and contact information, is June 30. You may send recommendations and resumes to mason@fairfaxcounty.gov, or mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov. The executive committee will review submissions and make initial selections during the summer, and the full JET is anticipated to begin meeting in early September. A proposed schedule of meetings and membership will be circulated and published later this summer.

For reference, copies of Chairman Bulova’s original Board Matter from October 2018, and County Executive Hill’s March 2019 response are attached.

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BOARD MATTER

Joint Board of Supervisors School Board Meeting on Energy and the Environment

October 30, 2018

On Oct. 11, the Fairfax County School Board adopted a resolution (attached) calling on state and federal lawmakers to act to address climate change. I agree with their call and believe our two Boards can holistically work together to act locally while thinking globally. Our Board has already taken a strong position on reducing our impacts on the environment, through the adoption of our Environmental Vision, commitment to Cool Counties, the recent adoption of the Operational Energy Strategy, and multiple environmental positions in our legislative agenda. We are also engaged regionally through the Council of Governments and the Northern Virginia Regional Commission. By collaborating further on all matters regarding the environment, the County and the Schools can make a lasting impact and effect real change in Fairfax County.

Therefore, I move that the Board direct the County Executive to compile information relative to our County's commitments to energy and the environment to share with the School Board to be presented at a joint meeting in early 2019. An emphasis should be placed on potential areas for cooperation with Fairfax County Public Schools. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss our energy and environmental strategies and goals and to look for areas of collaboration to further Fairfax County's efforts in energy efficiency and environmental sustainability.

RESOLUTION OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

CALLING FOR STATE AND FEDERAL ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

WHEREAS, an overwhelming majority of credentialed scientists, in the U.S. and abroad, support the finding that climate change is happening and that human activity is a key contributor; and

WHEREAS, if left unaddressed, the consequences of climate change will harm all Americans, most especially children and those living in poverty, and saddle future generations with the costly burden of a dangerously damaged planet; and

WHEREAS, climate instability is a global challenge requiring bold, innovative, and sustained actions at all levels of government, local, state, and federal; and

WHEREAS, the size of Fairfax County Public Schools' physical footprint provides an unparalleled opportunity to advance the use of renewable energy sources and reduce greenhouse gas output in Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to School Board Environmental Stewardship Policy 8542, FCPS leads the nation in energy efficiency, the development of green building design standards, and award-winning classroom opportunities for student advocacy and learning through the Get 2 Green program; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfax County School Board's commitment to the safety, well-being, and future success of all children in our community also demands a high priority on reducing carbon consumption in our decisions regarding capital improvement, energy use, transportation, and other policy priorities within the Board's control; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfax County School Board depends on committed partners in local, state, and federal government to realize our climate action goals, and recognizes the efforts and progress made to date, especially Fairfax County Government's recently announced request for proposals for solar installations on public buildings, to include schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Fairfax County School Board: 1) calls on the members of the Virginia General Assembly and the United States Congress to act boldly on climate change and provide a regulatory framework that removes barriers to progress on climate action and encourages the rapid replacement of fossil fuels with renewable energy technology; and 2) directs the Superintendent to report timely to the Board changes in state and federal policy that support the goal of reducing carbon consumption, along with staff proposals to make best use of those opportunities in facilities and transportation planning.



County of Fairfax, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 26, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Bryan J. Hill
County Executive *Bill*

SUBJECT: October 30, 2018 Board Matter 3a – Joint Meeting with the Fairfax County School Board Concerning Energy and Environment

At the October 30, 2018 Board of Supervisors (Board) meeting, Chairman Bulova announced that on October 11, the Fairfax County School Board adopted a resolution calling on State and Federal lawmakers to act to address climate change. She stated that the Board of Supervisors has already taken a strong position on climate change and reducing overall impacts on the environment through the adoption of its Environmental Vision, its commitment to Cool Counties, the recent adoption of the Operational Energy Strategy, and multiple environmental positions in its legislative agenda. The Board is also engaged regionally through the Council of Governments (COG) and the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC).

Chairman Bulova agreed with the School Board's resolution and noted that by collaborating further on all matters regarding the environment, the County and the Schools can make a lasting impact and effect real change in the County.

Therefore, Chairman Bulova moved that the Board direct the County Executive to:

- Compile information relative to the County's commitments to energy and the environment to share with the School Board to be presented at a joint meeting in early 2019. An emphasis should be placed on potential areas for cooperation with FCPS.

A copy of the Board Matter with accompanying *Informational Matrix of Cooperation amongst FCG and FCPS (Informational Matrix)* is included as attachment 1. This memorandum briefly describes the *Informational Matrix* and highlights possible key areas of potential future collaboration for consideration during the discussions at the Joint Meeting.

County Action

On December 7, 2018, staff from the County's Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, the Department of Cable and Consumer Services, the Department of Vehicle Services, the Fairfax County Park Authority, the Department of Planning and Zoning,

the Facilities Management Department and the Environmental and Energy Coordinator met to begin the dialogue of how best to organize and prepare a comprehensive and coordinated staff response (*Informational Matrix*) to address the Board Matter.

Guidance Document

As an outcome of the initial planning meeting, County staff developed an *Informational Matrix* that responds to the direction in the Board Matter. The *Informational Matrix* is divided into two parts. The first part provides the environmental vision statements across seven core service areas: land use; transportation; water; waste management; parks and ecological service; climate and energy; and environmental stewardship. These are the same vision statements that can be found in the Board of Supervisors' Environmental Vision. The Environmental Vision represents the County's commitments to the environment and energy at a very high level.

Part 2 demonstrates the County's leadership to protect and enhance the environment in support of the Environmental Vision by highlighting goals and targets across multiple focus areas within each core service area of the Environmental Vision. The focus areas describe existing goals, targets, if applicable, and demonstrate existing collaboration with FCPS. In addition, staff has included a conceptual discussion of proposed future collaboration for consideration and discussion at the Joint Board meeting. The proposed future collaboration included is by no means meant to capture all possibilities, but rather act as a starting point to help facilitate a meaningful discussion.

The *Informational Matrix* is intended to help facilitate dialogue during the Joint Board meeting. It is not intended to be used as an implementation strategy for County or School staff.

If you have comments or questions regarding this memo, please contact Kambiz Agazi, Environmental and Energy Coordinator, at 703-324-1788 or at kambiz.agazi@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Attachments: October 30, 2018 Board Matter 3a
Environment and Energy Information Guide

cc: Joseph M. Mondoro, Chief Financial Officer
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