

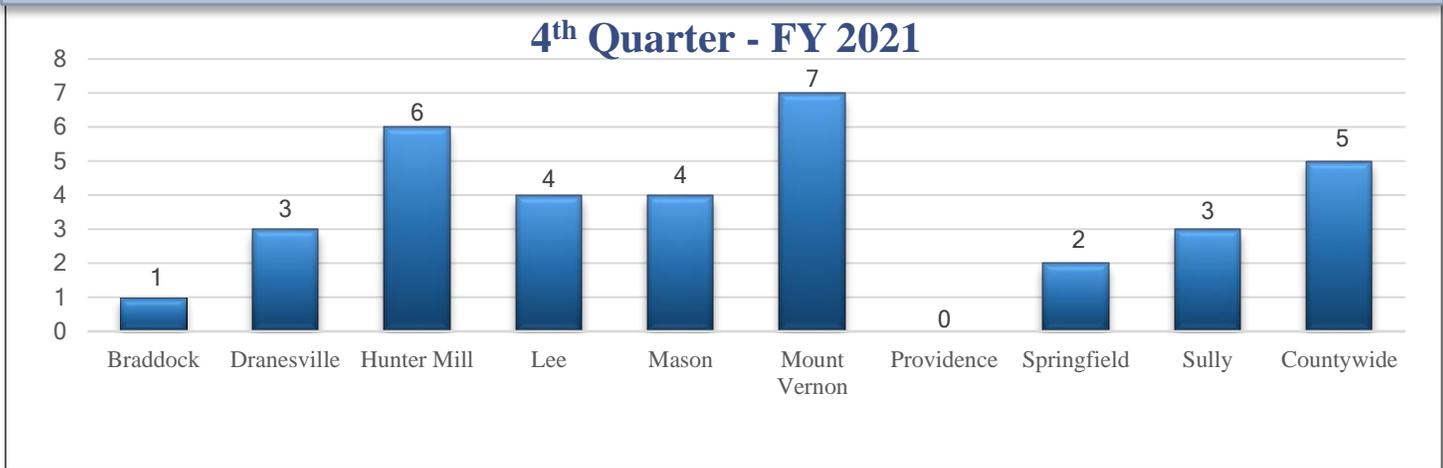
# PLANNING COMMUNICATOR

July 2021

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## LAND USE ACTIONS

During the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of Fiscal Year 2021 the Planning Commission acted on **35** applications; affording 106 citizens an opportunity to speak at the 11 public hearings held. The district with the highest number of applications considered was the Mount Vernon with 7 applications acted upon.



## COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

### Policy and Procedures Committee

Met on April 8<sup>th</sup> electronically due to the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Committee was constituted for 2021. John A. Carter was elected Chairman and Daniel G. Lagana was elected Vice Chairman. The Committee and staff discussed amending the bylaws to reflect changes to verbatim transcripts, speakers list, correspondence deadlines, website navigation, and language access. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend the following amendments to the Planning Commission:

- Eliminate verbatim transcripts;
- Speakers list deadline change from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. the day of a meeting; and
- A deadline to receive correspondence from staff on matters to be presented the day of a meeting, no later than 1:00 p.m.

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## Land Use Process Review Committee

Met on April 22<sup>nd</sup> electronically due to the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Department of Planning and Development staff gave a presentation to the Committee on the Public Facility Policy Plan Update. Staff's presentation included the Plan Amendment Board authorization, project goals, Public Facility Policy Plan background, project scope, schedule, and next steps. The Committee made suggestions on community outreach, visual diagrams, and incorporating the Strategic Plan and the Capital Improvement Program.

## Environment Committee

Met on May 20<sup>th</sup> electronically due to the State of Emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Committee was constituted for 2021. Mary D. Cortina was elected Chairman and Andres Jimenez elected Vice Chairman. Staff from the Department of Planning and Development gave an overview of the Comprehensive Plan Green Building Policy. The Committee also discussed design guidelines based on the Green Building Policy and the concept of green neighborhoods.

Met on June 24<sup>th</sup>, with the Office of Environmental and Energy Coordination staff for an overview of the office, programs, and initiatives. The overview included the Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan (CECAP), and Resilient Fairfax. The Committee also received a presentation from the staff of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services on watershed and stormwater management in Fairfax County, the ongoing challenges, and opportunities for improvement.