

To: Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

From: Dan Storek, Supervisor
Mount Vernon District

Subject: **BOARD MATTERS for September 20, 2016**

For your consideration, I submit the following Board Matters accompanied by a brief explanation. Your support will be appreciated.

- 1. Inova Mount Vernon Hospital 40th Anniversary**
- 2. Motion to Initiate Planning and Land Use Study of Workhouse Road Properties**
- 3. Initiate Concurrent Processing for Lorton Valley III, LLC, RZ 2011-MV-033**

1. Inova Mount Vernon Hospital 40th Anniversary

Background

Inova Mount Vernon Hospital first opened its doors on October 26, 1976, as a 76-bed hospital. Last year, in 2015, the hospital employed more than 1,000 employees, 500 nurses, 530 active physicians and 300 volunteers who treated patients in 11,117 inpatient admissions, 2,826 inpatient surgeries, 1,443 outpatient surgeries, and 42,437 emergency department visits. The health care industry is the fastest growing sector of our economy, at the national and local level.

The Inova Mount Vernon Hospital provides a broad range of surgical, medical, and critical care services including cardiac rehabilitation, behavioral health, oncology, emergency medicine, breast health, and dialysis care. The hospital is also home to the nationally recognized Inova Joint Replacement Center, Inova Rehabilitation Center (including its renowned stroke rehabilitation program), and Inova Wound Healing Center. Most importantly, for the past 40 years, Inova Mount Vernon has been providing state-of-the-art care to Fairfax County residents.

It comes as no surprise that Inova Mount Vernon Hospital was ranked one of the best hospitals in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area by U.S. World News & Report and is an asset to the Mount Vernon District.

Proposed Action

Therefore, Madame Chairman, I ask that the Board, with unanimous consent, offer its congratulations to Inova Mount Vernon Hospital and authorize a proclamation to be presented on Saturday, September 24, 2016, at the 40th-anniversary celebration hosted by the Mount Vernon and Lee Chamber of Commerce.

2. Initiate Planning and Land Use Study of Workhouse Road Properties

Background

This motion relates to tax map references 106-4((1))29-38 and 55. The property includes approximately 18.6 acres and is located on what was previously known as Lorton Road and is now known as Workhouse Road. The development and use of this property has remained largely unchanged for decades, while the character of the surrounding area continues to **evolve** with the widening and improvement of what is now known as Workhouse Road, the continued development of the Workhouse Arts Center and the collective renaissance of the greater Lorton community.

Access to the properties in question is currently by direct driveway access to the widened and improved Workhouse Road. This arrangement is neither practical nor safe. Some reasonable re-development of the referenced properties could make for a more inviting transition into the broader Lorton community, when considered alongside the Workhouse Arts Center improvements, Park Authority initiatives, and the other area planning efforts. Collectively, these changed circumstances form a legitimate basis for reevaluating the planned land uses for the properties.

My motion is to initiate a consideration of a Comprehensive Plan Amendment to evaluate the need for and substance of revised land use recommendations for these properties. It is not my intention to specify or direct a specific land use outcome, but rather use the initiation of a planning process as a means to engage the collective stakeholders including the property owners, the contract purchaser, neighboring communities, County Staff and the South County Federation to work together to assess the appropriateness of new plan language for these strategically sited properties.

While not specifying a recommended residential density or outcome, I would encourage the process to identify density and a land use patterns that generally serve as a transition from the Workhouse Arts Center to existing residential uses.

Proposed Action

Therefore, I move the Board authorize the consideration of an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for tax map parcels 106-4((1))29-38 and 55, at a density not to exceed 2-3 dwelling units per acre, which may be considered concurrently with a rezoning application for the subject property.

Attachment

This motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the Board or the Planning Commission on the proposed application and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with the provisions of all applicable ordinances, regulations and adopted standards.

3. Initiate Concurrent Processing for Lorton Valley III, LLC RZ 2011-MV-033

Background

Madam Chairman, pending rezoning application number RZ 2011-MV-033 is a request to develop 52 single family homes. The Applicant has spent extensive time with the community and received a unanimous recommendation of approval by the South County Federation. A Planning Commission public hearing was held on September 14, 2016. There were no speakers at the public hearing and the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval. In light of the recommendations of approval, the applicant has requested permission to begin concurrently processing the necessary site plan.

Proposed Action

I move that the Board authorize the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services to concurrently process the site plan and other engineering approvals associated with this pending application.

This motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the Board or the Planning Commission on the proposed application and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with the provisions of all applicable ordinances, regulations and adopted standards.

Joint Board Matter
Supervisor Kathy Smith, Sully District
Supervisor Dan Storck, Mt. Vernon District
September 20, 2016
Recognizing Karen Garza

Madam Chair: We would like to offer a motion in recognition of the amazing contribution made to our Fairfax County Public Schools by Superintendent Karen Garza. As members of the team which helped select Superintendent Garza, we can say that we had high expectations from the beginning and she rose to meet those expectations. Superintendent Garza is the first woman to lead Fairfax County Public Schools. During her short time with us, she oversaw an increase in graduation rates, a change to later start times for high schools, a transition to full day Mondays for Elementary students, and a strong raise in teacher pay in concert with a reduction in class size. She focused on our neediest students and launched “Portrait of a Graduate” to help all students gain the skills needed in a rapidly changing world.

Beloved by staff and teachers across the county, Superintendent Garza was a transformational leader. This year, Superintendent Garza led efforts at the state and county level to shepherd through a \$90 million increase in FCPS funding – the largest reinvestment the schools have seen after a decade of cost-saving restructuring. This investment helped close half of the salary gap for teachers from the region median.

Therefore Madam Chair, we move that the Board of Supervisors invite Superintendent Garza before the Board to be recognized for her outstanding and visionary contributions to our community.