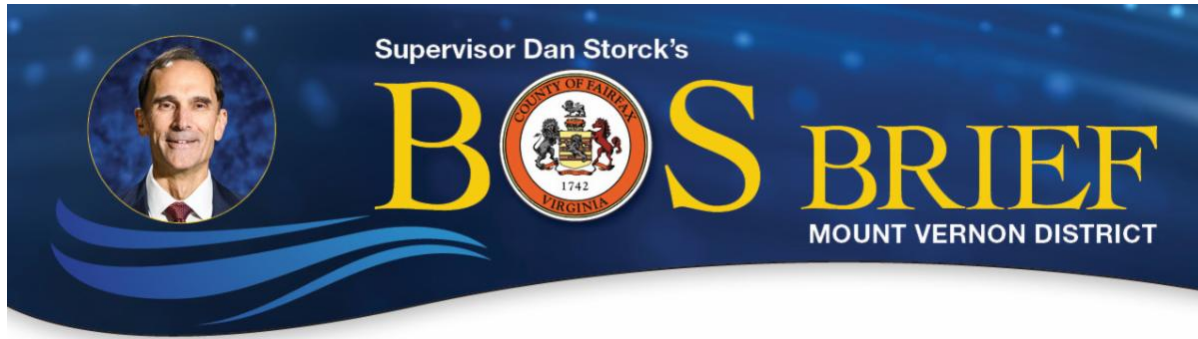


June 7, 2022



Dear Neighbors,

At Tuesday's Board meeting, we recognized three important segments of our community that add to our diversity and strength of community. In June we celebrate **Fatherhood Awareness Month**, Freedom from Slavery Day - **Juneteenth**, and **Pride Month**. We all know the importance of fathers (mothers and other caregivers) in our lives and recognizing Fatherhood Awareness Month to raise public awareness of the **importance of a father's engagement with his children and family**. Resources, including Pocket Dad Fatherhood Advice Videos, are available on the [County website](#).

On Juneteenth, we will recognize the importance of the **contributions made** to our neighborhoods by **Black residents on Freedom Day**. At today's presentation, we recognized the winners of Fairfax County's first ever **Juneteenth Resiliency Awards**. This award recognizes and **celebrates resiliency in youth and young adults ages 13-21** who have exhibited true perseverance (also known as grit, determination, dedication and persistence) to strive towards meaningful contributions and outcomes in their lives and/or the lives of others in the black community. **Congratulations to the winners** and you can watch the [Awards Program here](#). I invite you to join us for **Gum Springs Community Day** to celebrate Juneteenth!

LGBTQ+ Pride Month brings an **opportunity to support our Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning (LGBTQ+) residents** and provides a safe space for them to express their pride in their life choices, while working to ensure **equal justice and opportunity for all**. The County Libraries have additional information on [Pride Month resources](#).

The Board approved a decision to permit an **additional retail use at Huntwood Plaza** (5845 and 5863 Richmond Hwy). **After many discussions** with the community, the applicant and County staff, I moved this project forward as it is consistent with our **Richmond Highway redevelopment and revitalization** efforts and brings, mostly likely, a **new sit down restaurant** to a location that has changed many times over the decades. However, **before I could support this project, I worked with County staff and got a commitment** from Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) to **develop recommendations** by October to begin **addressing the morning and evening rush hour congestion and gridlock** at that intersection. You can read more about the details below. At a time when commercial property owners are struggling, it is important that we **support their revitalization efforts** when the proposal brings new, **needed amenities to a neighborhood**.

Other meeting highlights:

- Authorized a public hearing to implement the new state law **permitting police** to, again, pull over vehicles with improperly working **exhaust systems that create excessive noise**.
- **Raised the discount** for Connector Bus to/from Rail Transfers from \$0.50 to \$2.00.
- Recognized the **South County High School Women's Track Team** and the **Fort Hunt Warriors Rugby Team** for winning their respective **state championships**.

Chairman Jeff McKay moved a Board Matter **I strongly supported** to send a Board resolution to the **Virginia General Assembly**, and our **Congressional delegation**, expressing the Board's position on the importance and urgency of **common sense gun violence reducers**. [Read the resolution...](#)

On a closing note, due to a community event this Saturday afternoon, **June 11, my Second Saturday Office Hours will be held only from 9 a.m. - noon** at the Mount Vernon District Office. Appointments and walk-ins welcome. To make an appointment, email mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov. Also, due to scheduling conflicts, the **recognition of Cathy Ledec** has been **rescheduled to July 19**.

Respectfully yours in public service,



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

The following are **highlights from the Board of Supervisors June 7, 2022 meeting**, including items of particular interest to Mount Vernon residents. For additional information, please go to the County's [Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule](#). The clerk to the board's official **Summary of Board Actions** is available the week following each meeting. Information is also available by a [video linked to the board agenda](#) and the **Board of Supervisors Highlights** podcast.

Para recibir la información de **nuestro boletín electrónico en español**, o **para hablar con un hispanohablante**, comuníquese con **Madeleine Carcamo Reyes** a su preferencia, por teléfono al (703) 780-7518 o por correo electrónico: Madeleine.CarcamoReyes@fairfaxcounty.gov.

To view the **June 7, 2022 Board Package** [click here](#).

Proclamations and Recognitions



June as Fatherhood Awareness Month*



June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month*



June 19 as Juneteenth*

**These presentations were held while I was at the Mount Vernon High School Graduation.*

Administrative Items

Item 3: Approved a second extension of the **2232 review period for Overlook Ridge Park at the Lorton Landfill**. The review period was extended to July 14 due to the Planning Commission Hearing being moved to June 15. *The full item can be read on pages 25 - 26 of the Board Package.*

Authorized public hearings on:

- Amendments to the **County Motor Vehicles & Traffic Code** to reflect changes made to the Code of Virginia by the 2022 General Assembly. Changes include requiring exhaust systems be in good working order and **permitting police to again pull over vehicles for loud exhaust system noise** and requiring a **flag or light** at end of an **oversized load**. The public hearing will be held on **June 28 at 4:00 p.m.** *The full item can be read on pages 7 - 19 of the Board Package.*
- Consideration of a temporary uncodified ordinance providing for an **emergency taxicab fuel surcharge of up to two dollars per-trip**, effective June 29 through December 29, 2022. The public hearing will be held on **June 28 at 4:00 p.m.** *The full item can be read on pages 58 - 73 of the Board Package.*

Action Items

Item 5: Approved the Fairfax County Department of Transportation's (FCDOT) **Fare Equity Analysis for Fairfax Connector fare changes**. As a result of this approval, based on the Board's policy to adopt WMATA fare pricing, one of the fare changes that will go into effect on July 1 **raises the discount for Bus to/from Rail Transfers from \$0.50 to \$2.00**. *The full item can be read on pages 231 - 237 of the Board Package.*

Item 6: Approved a fourth amendment Project Funding Agreement for Mulligan Road (**Jeff Todd Way**) to the **reduce the County contributions by approximately \$1.5M** from \$15,908,018.78 to \$14,425,401.06 and to close the Agreement. *The full item can be read on pages 238 - 242 of the Board Package.*

Item 8: Approved project agreements between the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation and Fairfax County for **Fiscal Year 2022 Transit Capital Assistance Grant Funds**. *The full item can be read on pages 289 - 307 of the Board Package.*

Board Matters

Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week Proclamation - Joint with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisor Penny Gross

The **Chesapeake Bay is the largest and most productive estuary** in the United States, with its watershed spanning six states and the District of Columbia. The watershed covers 64,000 square miles and is an extraordinary and vital natural resource, with some of the **nation's most productive farm and forest lands**. The Chesapeake Bay is fed by **50 major tributaries**, including the Susquehanna, Potomac, Rappahannock, York, and James Rivers, and stretches 200 miles from Havre de Grace, Maryland, to Norfolk, Virginia. The watershed is **home to more than 18 million people**, many of whom rely upon the watershed's natural resources for their livelihood and recreational activities.

As an **important source of food** for Virginia and the rest of the east coast, the Chesapeake Bay produces more than **500 million pounds of seafood harvest** each year; and the more than 83,000 farms in the watershed contribute more than **\$10 billion to the regional economy** and provide **food for millions** of Americans. The Chesapeake Bay's tributaries in Virginia are an **important source of drinking water**, which is essential for public health and economic growth and a vital resource for future generations.

The **rich history, pivotal economic importance**, and **astounding beauty** of the Chesapeake Bay watershed never cease to amaze residents and visitors alike; and **Fairfax County's 30 watersheds** within the larger Chesapeake Bay watershed, are important to the character and quality of life of the community and ultimately the health of the Chesapeake Bay.

Action

Proclaimed June 4-12, 2022 as Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week and directed the Office of Public Affairs to inform residents of the importance of this observance and encourage them to participate in events, activities, and educational programs designed to increase awareness of the importance of the Chesapeake Bay watershed in our community.

Recognizing Fort Hunt Warriors Rugby State Champions - Joint with Supervisor Pat Herryty

On May 14, the **Fort Hunt Warriors Rugby team** defeated the Richmond Strikers to win the **Rugby Virginia High School State Championship**. This is the second year in a row the Warriors have taken home the state championship and the players and coaches deserve much credit for **keeping up the winning tradition**. On top of their skill as a team, this team is also known for showing **great sportsmanship**. It is a testament to the character of the **players, coaches and parents** involved that they overcame formidable opposition to cap off another fantastic season.

Action

Directed the Fort Hunt Warriors Rugby team come before the Board to receive a resolution recognizing their successful season, state championship and sportsmanship by the end of July.

Recognition of Virginia Railway Express on their 30th Anniversary - Joint with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisors James Walkinshaw and Supervisor Walter Alcorn

The Virginia Railway Express is a **joint project** of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission and **provides safe, accessible, reliable, and comfortable commuter-oriented rail passenger service** from Fairfax County and our neighboring jurisdictions into Alexandria, Arlington, and downtown Washington, D.C.

VRE is **celebrating its 30th anniversary** this year. **Former Supervisor and Chairman Sharon Bulova** was instrumental in the **creation and growth of VRE**, serving for many years in the leadership of the Operations Board to establish VRE as a premier service in the region. The **Manassas Line opened on June 22, 1992**, with the **Fredericksburg Line operations beginning on July 20, 1992**. In 1992, 16 trains covering 16 stations served 5,800 daily passengers. By 2020, that had grown to **30 trains serving 19 stations, carrying approximately 20,000 passengers** a day. VRE has five stations located in Fairfax County. VRE continues to contribute to the **economic development** of Fairfax County and other member jurisdictions. **It has been estimated that VRE carries the equivalent of one lane of traffic on both I-66 and I-95**, providing congestion relief as an integral part of a balanced, intermodal regional transportation system.

Action

Directed a certificate of recognition be prepared by the Office of Public Affairs for the Virginia Railway Express to be presented this summer in the Board auditorium.

Proclaim July 16-24, 2022 as Latino Conservation Week - Joint Board Matter with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisors Dalia Palchik, Walter Alcorn and Penny Gross

Fairfax County boasts a **culturally rich Latinx and Spanish-speaking community**. Defensores de la Cuenca, "**Defenders of the Watershed**," a non-profit dedicated to helping the Latinx community **connect with the natural world**, proposes a series of events that are designed to engage this community in a **wide variety of fun activities** to promote health and nature conservation in the **County's parks and green spaces**. Defensores de la Cuenca along with the support of its partners, **Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, and the Fairfax County Park Authority**, are planning activities at the Frying Pan Farm Park, Hidden Oaks Nature Center, Eakin Park and other neighborhood parks to take advantage of the unique features at each of these park locations. This will be a **series of free, family-friendly activities** for the Latinx community, aligned with national Latino Conservation Week, to increase knowledge of the environment and awareness of environmental issues, increase understanding of the **connections between our health and the health of the environment**, and invite participants to stay engaged and grow in their interest of the environment.

Action

Proclaimed July 16th-24th 2022 as Latino Conservation Week in Fairfax County and directed the Office of Public Affairs to advertise the weeklong series of events exploring the importance of parks and green spaces.

Recognizing South County High School Women's Track Team and Individual Athletes as State Champions - Joint with Chairman Jeff McKay

The South County High School Women's Track Team won the State Championships and scored more than **double the points of the next contender**. In addition there were **many County individual race, triple jump, hurdle and pole vault winners** at the VHSL Class 6 State Championship, including representatives from **Hayfield Secondary School**, Fairfax High School, West Springfield High School, South Lakes High School, Falls Church High School, **South County High School**, McLean High School and Herndon High School.

Action

Directed proclamations be prepared and presented to the South County High School Women's Track Team and individuals for winning the State Championship.

Public Hearings

Huntwood Plaza - Decision Only

Approved site modifications to permit a new retail use, **likely a restaurant**, on an existing pad site adjacent to office buildings at **5845 and 5863 Richmond Hwy**. After many discussions with the community, the applicant and County staff, I moved this project forward as it is consistent with our **Richmond Highway redevelopment and revitalization** efforts, supports the property owner and brings new dining options to the area.

To address concerns raised by the residents that use this intersection, I moved that the Board of Supervisors direct Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) staff to **look at the potential for cut through restrictions** in the **Belle Haven community** and others **adjacent to this area along Fort Hunt Road**.

I moved that the Board of Supervisors direct FCDOT staff to coordinate with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to **identify potential short-term congestion mitigation strategies**, such as the installation of flexi-post bollards on Richmond Highway that would help **prevent merge issues** at the beltway ramp.

I also moved that the Board of Supervisors direct FCDOT staff to coordinate with VDOT to ensure that the **I-495 Express Lanes Southside Project addresses the congestion on northbound Richmond Highway** approaching the beltway as part of the improvements implemented with the project and **report back to me and the community** by October 2022.

Amend and Readopt County Code Relocate a Polling Place in the Mount Vernon District

Moved the **Lorton precinct polling location** from its temporary location at Lorton Station Elementary School **back to its original location at the new Lorton Library**.

Consider an Ordinance to Amend and Readopt County Code to Establish an Additional Voter Satellite Office at the Lorton Community Center and Remove the Voter Satellite Office at Laurel Hill Golf Club

Established a **new satellite voting office at the Lorton Community Center** and removed the satellite voting office at the Laurel Hill Golf Club, where it was temporarily moved during the Lorton Library construction.

Upcoming Land Use Cases

Planning Commission:

- **June 15: 2232-2022-MV-0001 Overlook Ridge Park** (Lorton Landfill). Conversion of Lorton Landfill (Furnace Associates, Inc., Operating as Waste Management) to a **public park** in Fairfax County. The proposed park is identified as Overlook Ridge Park.
- **June 29: SEA-88-V-064-05 Original Mount Vernon High School** (8333 Richmond

Hwy). The Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County request to amend SE-88-V-064 to allow for **alternative use of a public facility** to permit an alternative use of a historic building.

Board of Zoning Appeals

June 29

- [SP-2021-MV-00119](#) Phyllis Azama (**1385 Bishop Crest Ct**). Reduction in setback requirements to **permit addition** 13.0 feet from the rear lot line.
- [SP-2022-MV-00127/VC-2022-MV-00008](#) Tesfu Zegaye Trust & Mahelete Yared Trust (**7700 Robinhood Ct**). To permit a **fence 6.4 feet in height** to remain in the front yard adjacent to Sherwood Hall Lane.

District Information & Upcoming Events

Site-Specific Plan Amendment (SSPA) Process Retrospective

Recommended changes to the County's process for **submitting and reviewing proposed land use changes** for individual sites will soon head to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors for consideration and adoption. This process, known as the Site-Specific Plan Amendment (SSPA) process, currently operates on a **four-year cycle**. Using public feedback and staff analysis, the County is **recommending a series of changes**, which include creating a **Countywide, two-year cycle**, shortening the submission and screening period timelines, **adapting community engagement** to suit the needs of the study areas, and enhancing the criteria for submissions. The Board of Supervisors **Land Use Policy Committee** will consider the changes at their meeting on **June 14**. **Board action** on the recommended changes is anticipated to occur on **June 28**.

To learn more, **watch the recording of a recent Open House**, [review a white paper containing the recommendations](#), or **submit a comment**, please visit the [SSPA website](#).

Resilient Fairfax Public Meeting and Public Comment Closes June 15

All Fairfax County residents are invited to comment on the **County's first-ever climate adaptation and resilience plan**, now through June 15. The plan includes information on expected **climate impacts** in the County in the decades to come, an audit of existing County policies, plans, and programs, a comprehensive **vulnerability and risk assessment**, and **recommended strategies** to address known and expected risks. Climate change is already impacting Fairfax County with more frequent severe storms, higher temperatures, and increased flooding. [Review the County's plan and share your thoughts...](#)

Hidden in Plain Sight

June 15, 2022 6:30 p.m.

Hidden in Plain Sight (HIPS) is a **community awareness program** to educate parents and caregivers on the current trends and signs of **risky behavior in the teenage population**. This 1 1/2 hour long program, on June 15 at 6:30 p.m., utilizes props, discussion and a PowerPoint presentation to review **alcohol, tobacco, vape and narcotic use**. We will also discuss mental health issues, sexual, and other risky behaviors. The program concludes with a discussion on communication strategies to help you talk with your child. **This program is open to adult audiences only**. Discussions will include sensitive topics that a parent can use to create an **open dialogue** with their children. The training will be held at the **West Springfield District Governmental Center Community Room** (6140 Rolling Road, Springfield, VA). If you have any questions, contact MPO Tony Capizzi at 703-277-2363 or anthony.capizzi@fairfaxcounty.gov. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hidden-in-plain-sight-tickets-348227807747>. Please register for the training...

Let's Talk

June 16, 2022 6:30 p.m.

Did you know the **West Springfield District Station covers over 66 square miles**, has over 200,000 community members, 40 public schools, 70 houses of worship, around 110 police officers, and ten different patrol areas? **If you would like to know more about the district, crime prevention, or just have questions**, join MPO Tony Capizzi on Thursday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m. for a community meeting. If you have any questions before the meeting, contact MPO Tony Capizzi at 703-277-2363. Register here...

5 Tips to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect this Summer

Children will be away from their regular routines, familiar daily activities and **school support systems** that provide needed resources. Community members are encouraged to **help support children and families in need**. [Here are five ways you can help prevent child abuse and neglect...](#)

Engaging Men and Boys in Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Prevention

Men have a vital role to play in addressing **unequal power dynamics** and ending men's violence against women. **Inequality and oppression** in all its forms is among the root causes of intimate partner and sexual violence. These forms of violence are preventable through **collaborations of community members** at multiple levels of society – in our homes, neighborhoods, schools, faith settings, workplaces and other settings. We all play a role in **preventing intimate partner and sexual violence** and in establishing norms of respect, safety, equality and helping others.

A **hybrid in-person and virtual event** with panelists Equimundo co-founder Gary Barker, Neil Irvin of Men Can Stop Rape, Leila Rassekh Milani of Futures without Violence, and Equimundo's Brian Heilman **leading the discussion on engaging men and boys** in the work of preventing gender-based violence/intimate partner violence. This panel will provide the opportunity to learn about the latest **research, practice and policies** as they relate to working with men and boys in primary prevention as it relates to intimate partner and sexual violence. As many of our **community partners** engage with men and boys in different roles or seek to increase engagement in services, this panel is a great opportunity to learn about successful strategies. **This panel discussion is free, but registration is required**. [Learn more...](#)

Your Guide to Summer 2022 in Fairfax County

Here is a [quick guide](#) to summer in Fairfax County:

- Explore **pools, splash parks**, lakes and more.
 - Get the new **Family Adventure pass** for our parks.
 - Check out the **summer entertainment** series.
 - **Make southern Fairfax County a staycation.**
 - Keep reading with the **Summer Reading Adventure**.
 - Learn more about **summer meals for kids**.
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Chairman Jeffrey C. McKay, Supervisor Dan Storck,
and the Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services
invite you to a

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY WORKHOUSE CAMPUS - BUILDINGS W13 and W15 on Friday, June 24, 2022 at 11:30 a.m.

This event will be held in the courtyard between W13 and W15.
9514 Workhouse Way, Lorton, VA 22079



Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services

The Workhouse Campus is undergoing another exciting renovation to enhance the visitor experience and entice restaurants and breweries to open in two existing buildings! The Buildings W13 and W15 project will restore two historic structures for future food and beverage tenant use. The project also includes natural landscaping and site enhancements in a shared courtyard as well as streetscape improvements along Ox Road.



For more information about the ceremony, contact Sharon North at
703-324-5033, TTY 711 | Sharon.North@fairfaxcounty.gov

For more information about this project, visit:
<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/capital-projects/county-buildings-under-construction>

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