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To

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

From:

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Subject:

BOARD MATTERS for March 20, 2018

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

- 1. Authorization for Expedited and Concurrent Processing of the Rezoning Application and Site Plan for the Woodlawn Fire Station
- 2. Request for a Proclamation on the 75th Anniversary of the Establishment of Hollin Hall Village
- 3. South County Boys Varsity Basketball Team State Champions
- 4. Recognition of Planning Commissioner Earl Flanagan
- 5. Ides of Bark

1. Authorization for Expedited and Concurrent Processing of the Rezoning Application and Site Plan for the Woodlawn Fire Station

Background

The Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) is currently working on construction plans for the replacement of the existing Woodlawn Fire Station. The existing Woodlawn Fire Station building and systems are well beyond the end of their life cycle and no longer meet the current and future operational needs of the county Fire and Rescue Department.

The Woodlawn Fire Station is located on a 1-acre parcel, currently zoned R-20, at 8701 Lukens Lane in Alexandria (Tax Map 110-1 ((1)) 28A). The adjacent 0.5-acre parcel, currently zoned R-2, located at 8707 Lukens Lane (Tax Map 110-1 ((1)) 29) was purchased by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors in 2013, with the intent of using it for future expansion of the Woodlawn Fire Station.

The project will build a new station adjacent to the east side of the existing station, maintain operations at the existing station during construction, and completely demolish the existing station after relocating operations to the new facility. The parcel at 8707 Lukens Lane will be rezoned to R-20 to match the zoning of the existing station and to provide the same zoning requirements for the entire site. For this project to proceed on schedule it will be necessary to expedite and concurrently process the site plan while the 2232 application is being processed.

Proposed Action

Therefore, I move that the Board authorize and concur in the filing of any and all necessary zoning applications/permits, including the determination under Section 15.2-2232 of the Code of Virginia, to facilitate the construction of the new facilities and expedite and concurrently process the rezoning and site plans associated with this site.

Designate staff from DPWES, to act on behalf of the Board as its representative agent, to file and process these applications with the Department of Planning and Zoning.

2. Request for a Proclamation on the 75th Anniversary of the Establishment of Hollin Hall Village

Background

Established in 1943, Hollin Hall Village is a community of approximately 650 single family homes and has been home to thousands of Mount Vernon District residents who have enjoyed the community's small town feel and quality of life.

Hollin Hall Village contains two shopping centers with community staples, specialty stores, the Hollin Hall Senior Center, and the Mount Vernon Park Swim and Tennis Association. All of these are within an easy walk for all Hollin Hall Village residents. There is also a baseball field which is the home field to many neighborhood children and future residents, since many families remain in Hollin Hall Village for multiple generations.

Hollin Hall Village continues to uphold and preserve its pleasant small-town environment, while continuously remaining involved with the issues impacting the future of the Mount Vernon District.

Proposed Action

Therefore, Madame Chair, I ask, with unanimous consent, that the Office of Public Affairs prepare a proclamation commending and congratulating the citizens of Hollin Hall Village on their 75th anniversary.

Authorize County Executive Bryan Hill to act as its representative agent, to sign any proffers on behalf of the Board.

Please note that this motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation on the application by the Board and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with the provisions of any applicable ordinances, regulations, adopted standards, or proffers. This action in no way prejudices the substantive review of the application

3. Recognition for the South County Boys Varsity Basketball Team, VHSL Class 6 State Champions – Joint Board Matter with Springfield Supervisor Pat Herrity

Background

The South County High School Boys Varsity Basketball team finished the 2017-2018 season with a 27-3 record. They made school history by being the first boys' team to win a District, Region and State Title in the same season. They clinched the #1 seed in the District with a 75-72 win over Lake Braddock at the end of the regular season and then captured the Patriot District title on February 16th when they defeated Fairfax High School 45-27. The team went on to defeat Annandale, Woodbridge and finally Hayfield 74-54, in the Occoquan Region Championship game at Robinson.

The win against Hayfield gave them a birth to the programs' first State Championship Tournament. In the State quarter-finals and semi-finals, they won two hard fought games vs. Madison High school 41-40 in regulation and Battlefield High School 63-54 in regulation. The state Championship game was played at VCU on March 8th vs. Western Branch High School. The team earned their first VHSL Class 6 State title with a 63-47 win over the Bruins.

Proposed Action

Therefore, Madam Chairman, I ask, with unanimous consent, that the Board of Supervisors direct the Office of Public Affairs to invite the South County Boys Varsity Basketball Team to come before the Board of Supervisors to be recognized for their achievement on June 5, 2018.

4. Earl Flanagan, Mount Vernon Planning Commissioner

Background

Commissioner Flanagan was appointed to the Planning Commission in December 2006, and has wisely served the Mount Vernon District and Fairfax County for 11 years. During his tenure, Commissioner Flanagan has been involved in every major task force and community planning and land use decision in Mount Vernon. He led the Mount Vernon Area Plan Review for many years. He also led the effort to create the vision for the adaptive reuse of the Lorton prison, and he recently served on the Embark Advisory group that has created new comprehensive plan language that will redefine the Richmond Highway corridor for the next several decades.

Commissioner Flanagan is well known for his collegial and friendly demeanor with residents, for his willingness to meet with residents and developers at any time, and for providing guidance to help make sound land use decisions. It is also well known that Commissioner Flanagan served as an artillery non-commissioned officer with General Patton's 3rd Army in Europe in World War II, and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for an advance landing of the 71st Division at LeHavre, France. We are extremely grateful for Commissioner Flanagan's service to the Mount Vernon District, Fairfax County, and the Country.

Proposed Action

Therefore, Madame Chair, I ask, with unanimous consent, that the Board direct staff to issue a proclamation, signed by the Chair and myself, to recognize Commissioner Flanagan for his many accomplishments to be presented at a future Board meeting.

5. The Third Ides of Bark - A Howling Success!

Background

On March 18th, more than four hundred dogs and one thousand of their human companions attended the Ides of Bark event at Grist Mill Park in the Mount Vernon District. The Ides of Bark is a dog festival that Supervisor Hyland started with hopes that his successor would continue the tradition. As someone who appreciates the joy that a dog can bring, and understanding the importance of community gatherings, we continue to celebrate the Ides of Bark and the attendance continues to grow.

This year, participants received many treats from local canine businesses, watched demonstrations by the Fairfax County Police Canine Unit, learned pet care and pet CPR from pet technicians, and even had the opportunity to participate in a canine obstacle course. This amazing community event could not have happened without the incredible support of the Fairfax County Park Authority, Fairfax County Police Department, Department of Tax Administration, The Fairfax County Fire Department, local dog park groups and our wonderful vendors.

My sincerest appreciation goes out to everyone who helped makes this a successful event and I encourage other Board members to do the same in their district.