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[00:00:05] Good morning, everyone, and welcome to our board meeting of July 11th, 2023. As a preliminary matter, Chairman Jeff McKay will be participating remotely in this board meeting for personal reason due to an out-of-town trip.

[00:00:25] I'll ask Chairman McKay to identify himself for the record at this time and provide his general location. Thank you, Chairman Gross. Jeff McKay, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, participating in this meeting from Hampton Roads, Virginia.

[00:00:41] thank you um i move that the board of supervisors certify that the voice of the remotely participating member chairman mckay can be heard by all persons assembled here in the government center and i further move that the board confirm that such remote participation fully conforms with the board's policy for remote participation in meetings removed and seconded is their discussion seen and hearing none all those in favor of the motion please say aye aye any opposed

[00:01:14] say nay any abstentions that motion carries we will begin the meeting with a moment of silence to be followed by the pledge of allegiance let me ask if board members have anyone they would like for us to keep in our thoughts and prayers and uh chairman mckay i know that you had uh two do you want to read those or should i um thank you uh uh chairman gross i'd be happy to uh there are two uh two

gentlemen i'd like to keep in our thoughts and prayers uh this morning first is uh fred Hoffman, and I think everyone on the dais knows Norma Hoffman really well, and we recently

[00:01:51] recognized Fred Hoffman's 100th birthday at the Board of Supervisors, and sadly, he passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 24th, surrounded by family and friends, and those of Fred Hoffman knew that his greatest success in life was his 72 years of marriage to Norma Hoffman, and all of us know Norma for her work in saving and protecting Huntley Meadows Park in Fairfax County. And if we could keep the Hoffman family in our thoughts and prayers this morning, I would appreciate that.

[00:02:28] And then secondly, and we mentioned Dick Knapp at a previous board meeting. I just wanted to mention Dick Knapp again. Dick was a member of the Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation, was a champion for revitalization along the Route 1 corridor and beautification, and was an expert in plants and trees, and certainly we want to recognize his passing, but I was able to go to his service last week and learned a lot more about Dick Knapp, including how he was a national hero with our military, was involved through his work

[00:03:04] with the federal government and military services, spent a career literally working for our country, And we know him to have spent most of his retirement years working civically on behalf of SFDC, as I mentioned, but also was heavily involved in his church, St. Louis Catholic Church in Fairfax County.

[00:03:25] And if we could keep Dick Knapp, who was just a great personal friend of mine and did so much great work for the county and the entire Knapp family, again, in our thoughts and prayers, I would appreciate it. Thank you, Madam Chairman. Thank you, Chairman McKay. Is there anyone else who wishes to remember someone who has passed on?

[00:03:46] Supervisor Herity. Just very briefly, Kevin Malone, who was kind of a stalwart in the region's restaurant industry. He was one of the pioneers of farm-to-table before it became a popular trend, but died fairly suddenly over the last couple weeks.

[00:04:05] Thank you. Anyone else wishing to be recognized? If not, would everyone rise as they are able for a moment of silence?

[00:04:15] Please face the flag. I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

[00:04:46] We have four presentations today. For each presentation, I will announce the proclamation and invite our speaker down to the podium. We will then read the proclamation, and after our speaker's remarks, we will pose for a picture from the dais.

[00:05:03] Our first presentation is to the James Madison High School Boys Varsity Baseball team for their championship season, and I understand that we will move this one down to a later time. Folks are still coming in, so let's move to a resolution to recognize Robert Webb Jr. for his accomplishments during over 40 years of musical contributions to the county.

[00:05:29] This was requested by Supervisor Lusk, and our speaker today is Robert Rebb, Jr., recently retired as director of the Northern Virginia Corral, so please come on down, and if there's anyone with you, you can bring them too. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you very much, Madam Chairman.

[00:05:46] I will read the resolution as Mr. Webb and his family and others are coming down. So whereas Robert S. Webb Jr. has been the director of the Northern Virginia Chorale since the fall of 1982, and

whereas under Robert S. Webb Jr.'s guidance and leadership, the Northern Virginia Chorale has continually provided quality music to audiences across the Northern Virginia region.

[00:06:18] And whereas Robert S. Webb Jr. has led the St. Mark's Lutheran Church music program for more than 25 years and a new choral work was commissioned in his honor to celebrate his service to the church.

[00:06:35] And whereas a retired and currently adjunct professor of music at the Northern Virginia Community College, Robert S. Webb Jr. directed the NVCC Annandale Chorale and taught there and has been an adjunct professor at George Mason University and the Catholic University of America.

[00:06:57] And whereas Robert S. Jr. is a member of the National Association for Music Education, the Virginia Music Educators Association, and the American Choral Directors Association, and whereas Robert S. Webb Jr. is also a talented performer and conductor who has performed with the U.S. Army Band, excuse me, U.S. Navy Band, the National Symphony Orchestra, the Richmond Symphony, the Filene Center Orchestra, and the Virginia Orchestra, among many others.

[00:07:34] Now, therefore, be it resolved, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all the residents of Fairfax County, does hereby commend Robert S. Webb Jr. for his extraordinary musical accomplishments and over 40 years of musical contributions to the county.

[00:07:51] You've heard the motion, which I'd be happy to second. Is there a discussion? Yes. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Madam Chairman. I'll just make a few points. I've had the opportunity to attend a number of the chorale performances that have been directed by Mr. Webb, and they are extraordinary.

[00:08:11] I also want to make sure that I mention and acknowledge that under Mr. Webb's talented direction, he has fostered the Northern Virginia Chorale's musical relationships with English, French, and Italian choirs.

[00:08:29] and all of whom the chorale has been associated to a series of exchange concerts and visits. Mr. Webb directed the chorale in several prestigious venues in Europe, including the Salisbury Cathedral, Bath Abbey, and the Covenant Garden in England, and the Basilica of San Marco in Venice.

[00:08:49] So, Mr. Webb, your contributions to music here in Fairfax County and Northern Virginia are immeasurable. Your musical accomplishments are outstanding. And on behalf of myself, my colleagues, and the board, and the residents of Fairfax County, we want to thank you for your commitment to presenting exceptional performances.

[00:09:12] I know that your wife, Anne, who's here with you, and family have been your musical partners and counterparts. So I also want to thank them as well. So thank you for all the joy and happiness you have shared through music. For over 40 years, we have all been fortunate to experience your talent, your musical direction, and your leadership.

[00:09:33] You are truly irreplaceable. So thank you so very much, and congratulations on this very well-deserved recognition. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. Any other comments? One can only imagine the acoustics and the grandeur of those historic buildings that you conducted the corral.

[00:09:53] If there is no further discussion, Chairman McKay, did you have anything you wanted to add? I just offer my congratulations as well. I share in common with Supervisor Lusk the fantastic opportunity to have seen Mr. Webb perform in person, and I, too, want to thank him for his many decades of service, and

I think the proclamation speaks for itself well-deserved, and it's an honor to have you with us at the board today.

[00:10:20] Thank you. If there's no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. Mr. Rebb, the floor is yours. Thank you. I just want to say thanks to Supervisor Lux for his support and his attendance at our concerts.

[00:10:42] It's much appreciated. I also want to thank all of you for your support for the arts. I am a product of Fairfax County Public Schools. I've lived here in the county my entire life. I went to, I started out with band at Wilston Elementary at Seven Corners.

[00:11:02] Whoa. No longer an elementary school. But it's still there. Then we moved to Vienna, and then I had some wonderful teachers at Vienna Elementary. And then off to James Madison High School, where I graduated, and then I went off to major in music at Ithaca College.

[00:11:22] And then Navy Band. And over the 41 years, I would estimate that I've produced well over 250 concerts. And we're going through programs and music, and we're cleaning out the house right now.

[00:11:40] And I'm just amazed at all of these programs that I was involved with. And also, it's really important that you all support the arts. Fairfax County is well known for its arts programs and it's known nationwide for wonderful school arts programs as well as community arts programs.

[00:12:08] So thank you for your support and also the Council of the Arts. It's much appreciated. And I want to thank all of these folks here for supporting me and producing all of these concerts. We couldn't do it without our board and without our membership in the corral.

[00:12:28] Some of those members have been with me the entire length of time, which is hard to believe, isn't it? So thanks very much. Much appreciated. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Webb. And the board does have as a consideration item a little bit later this morning, acceptance of the Fairfax County Master Arts Plan for facilities.

[00:12:50] While we probably don't have a cathedral for a facility, yet certainly we look forward to to working with the community on that if I think we're ready for a photo if there's anyone here who's with you you can come forward and the board will stay in place at our individual seats and pose supervisor Lusk you can go down and present if you'd all come this

[00:13:15] way and then turn around and face the audience from James Madison High School boys varsity

[00:14:19] basketball team is here now so we have a resolution to recognize the team this is requested by supervisor alcorn supervisor palchek and supervisor smith and our speaker today is mark jorman head coach of the james madison boys varsity baseball team please come on down supervisor alcorn i believe you have the resolution yes thank you very much madam vice chair so as they are working their way down i'm gonna go ahead and read the resolution whereas in june just last month the james madison

[00:14:57] by the way this is sort of james madison high school day i don't know if anybody knows whereas last month the james madison boys varsity baseball team the warhawks defeated westfield high school sorry about that supervisor smith five to four to win the virginia class six state championship and whereas the win marked the team's second state championship victory in the past three seasons, and whereas thanks to the Warhawks' talent, skill, and determination, they ended the match as champions

against a team with which they had split their four previous contests, three of them decided by only one run, and whereas the success of the

[00:15:35] James Madison Boys varsity baseball team has experienced and is thanks in no small part to the guidance and leadership of Warhawk head coach Mark Pudge-Jorman, who has steered the team for more than three decades is that correct now wow and his dedicated staff and whereas the james madison boys varsity baseball team through its outstanding efforts has brought pride to the community now therefore be it resolved that the fairfax county board of supervisors on behalf of all residents of fairfax county does hereby congratulate the james madison high school boys varsity baseball team head coach jorman and staff for their inspiring performance and

[00:16:15] championship season. Heard the motion multiple seconded is their discussion. Supervisor Alcorn. Yeah, thank you. What a pleasure. Congratulations. It's still almost fresh this time, right? I mean, it's really not been that long. But coach, I know you, this is not the first time that you've been here, but you know, it's amazing. You pull together guys and do amazing things. And And one of the things I just want to underscore for for the board in the community, Coach Dorman's done a lot, not just for Madison baseball, but for the community at large.

[00:16:55] And, you know, it's so important that, you know, as we as we celebrate this championship and other championships that we we don't forget that this is part of life and that life goes on and that, you know, you're going to move on and and do all sorts of great things.

[00:17:10] I understand you do have a few players that are going to be playing a little more baseball. I'd love to hear about that as well. But, you know, but it is so important to the community. It's such a great learning experience, such a great experience for everybody, and I know for you all in particular.

[00:17:28] So congratulations. So happy that you're here back again and yet another championship. Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn. Other comments? Certainly, there was a recent article in the Washington Post sports section that referred to championship crazy Vienna, commenting on the number of state championships that have been won by James Madison high school teams.

[00:17:55] And there was some exciting news, I think, was it just last night? Two nights ago, yeah. Two nights ago. I heard something on WTOP as I was driving into the garage this morning. So we have a motion. It's been seconded and no further discussion.

[00:18:12] All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. And so the floor now is yours. Oh, wow. Just, you know, on behalf of James Mass High School in the town of Vienna, we do call it town of champions.

[00:18:29] I think, you know, it's just a wonderful place to grow up and live. On behalf of my incredible players, our administration, Ms. Calvert, my athletic director, John Kenney. We do have a number of, you know, we've won championships. We've won state championships. But it meant everything for me personally to do it with this group of young men.

[00:18:50] And this is the one, we won this together. They're a tremendous group of young men, very resilient. We could have been knocked out many times and they didn't flinch. There was no quit in this group. And that's going to carry them for life. And these guys are going to go on to do wonderful things.

[00:19:07] I do want to, and I think we've got a number of players that will go on to play in college that are here today, but we also want to recognize two nights ago something special happened to Bryce Eldridge. Bryce was, he's one of our captains, and he was drafted number 16 in the first round by the San Francisco Giants, and will be, this has been a wonderful run for us, but for Bryce as well, and again, I couldn't be more proud of all these young men, but how Bryce has handled um the 40 scouts at every game and the whole process uh again you know this he he is very grounded and he's a tremendous leader that's where i'm most proud and uh these

[00:19:46] guys are all going to grow to be leaders in our county and throughout northern virginia so thank you to the board for recognizing us it means everything to be here today and i hope i get to see you again soon thank you so much and does the giants still play at candlestick park they moved didn't they they the park was moved i remember the view from there is pretty good but um they they moved well they have a thing called mcovey cove it's all that water out behind right field and i think price is going to get to know that pretty soon so i think the aim is to knock

[00:20:26] the ball into the into the water yes yes yes well congratulations and best of luck to you especially but to all of you um we are ready for a photo and so if you would come on you saw what happened last time thank you come on up and uh the board will stay in place supervisor alcorn will present

[00:22:11] thank you next we have a resolution to recognize the master arts plan task force for its achievements this was requested by chairman mckay and our speaker today is lila gordon uh chair of the

[00:22:29] master arts plan task force so please come on down after the team exits was requested by chairman mckay but i will be reading the resolution whereas the fairfax county board of supervisors and arts fairfax collaborated to develop a fairfax county visual and performing

[00:23:04] arts policy that was adopted in 2010 was it that long ago and whereas a task force was established to craft a master arts plan for facilities charting the county's arts venue future and whereas that task force membership was drawn from a cross section of arts community stakeholders planning and development leaders county staff experts and interested residents and whereas the master arts plan task force considered research of best practices mapping of current conditions a market study and needs analysis and relevant intersections with the one fairfax policy in the countywide

[00:23:40] strategic plan and whereas the county fairfax county master arts plan facilities will serve as a guide for the development of arts venues in the county for years to come now therefore be it resolved that the fairfax county board of supervisors on behalf of all residents of fairfax county does hereby congratulate and thank the members of the master arts plan task force past and present for their dedication and tireless work on behalf of the arts in fairfax county Second.

[00:24:09] It's been moved and seconded. Is there any discussion? Yes. We do have some discussion. I'm sure that there will be more discussion by the board also. And I will just indicate that, as the resolution stated, the policy was adopted in 2010.

[00:24:28] And this document will serve as a guide. It's a long development, we know. And I remember, golly, I think I was at Georgia Mason University for some meetings about dance floors and what you need for a dance.

[00:24:46] My daughter's a dancer. And so what you need for the performance for a dance floor, which is different than an ordinary stage. And that seems like an awful long time ago. So we want to congratulate and thank the members of the Master Arts Plan for Facilities Task Force for their dedication and tireless work on behalf of the arts in Fairfax County.

[00:25:06] And I'm going to ask Chairman McKay, whose request this resolution was, if he'd like to say a few words. Yeah, thank you very much, Supervisor Gross. I do want to congratulate the task force on their amazing work. And we've had a chance, of course, to get a couple of briefings in committee on the depth of the work.

[00:25:25] and it's really just quite remarkable, and I know myself and probably several of my colleagues in the past have worked to try to get arts facilities established in the county, and we really didn't have a very good guide. We didn't really have a very good needs assessment. We were kind of operating under good guidance, but largely, you know, in the dark in terms of some of the technical components and what makes sense and where you do these in the county and in what types of communities. And so the work that the task force has done is amazing. And as you mentioned,

[00:26:00] it's hard to believe that 13 years ago is when the policy for the arts was put in place. And we know that policies are good, but you got to have a whole lot more than that. And without the venues and the structures in place, it would be very hard for us to accomplish our overall arts goals. And so I, like you, have a daughter who's a dancer as well, and I've learned a lot.

[00:26:25] about the technical needs of dance and, you know, why it's important to get these venues right and only the right successful, and they have to be in the right location and have the right attributes. And so I'm really excited about this. I'm excited that we now have a plan to move forward. Some guidance for me and my colleagues in the community to make sure we're strategic about establishing arts venues. And we know that while our arts community is robust in Fairfax County, that there's so much more that we can do. And so I'm really excited about that. But mainly

[00:27:00] today, I wanted to thank all the people who poured a lot of hours, heart and soul, into developing this, into doing it very well. Our county staff, our citizens who collaborated on this, the community. But I also want to thank, in particular, Lila Gordon. Lila, thank you for leading the charge on this and so many things when it comes to the arts. And we're really appreciative that we're here to pay in a position to not only recognize you and all the work you did, but to really launch this and move it to the next level.

[00:27:31] So congratulations. Thank you. Anyone else? Super, we'll start on this side. Supervisor Palczyk. Thank you, Madam Chair. And I, too, want to second the Chairman's words and truly thank all of you, Lila, for especially getting us through the finish line there at the end.

[00:27:49] I know many of us weren't here when it started, and we're happy to be here for this living document, right? know it needs to continue to be updated but all of you who know that this will take public private non-profit partnerships and work capital one hall being that first jewel that we've been able to and you've been able to help ensure uh for our arts community knowing that our programming needs the space right to be able to thrive and to show the excellent work that we have i know after the next presentation is on immigrant heritage month and i have to say the arts in our community really really show the vibrancy of our immigrant community of

[00:28:27] our diverse community and really are a place to come and be together so thank you for all you've done for many many years and I know there's so much more work to be done but I'm glad we're able to finalize this first official phase of the master arts facilities plan with so much more work ahead and thank you to you to arts fairfax and tall who've been involved in this work supervisor faust thank you i really appreciate all the years you've put into this and the hard work and it's uh it's been a great

[00:29:04] opportunity to get to know you um but i do want to say you know arts for arts sake are so important to the community well know that i mean it really does improve the quality of life but as the chairman of the economic advisory commission i want to note how much i appreciate what you are doing uh in terms of placemaking in terms of creating the type of place where the 21st century workforce is going to want to come and live uh your contributions are important on the art side on the economic side they're equally also very important it's recognized so thank you supervisor

[00:29:41] smith thank you i really appreciated the work for the arts plan because i think it's so vitally important for us to understand where we have facilities where we still need them and that recognition that every facility doesn't need to be the same size. And I really need to thank Lila.

[00:29:58] I was hoping we would be able to get to a venue in Chantilly. Everything has stalled there, but we've laid a good groundwork for what we need to serve our families in the western part of the county. So thank you for all your work. Supervisor Stork. Thank you, Madam Chair, and thank you all so very much for your work. I think it's been said by my colleagues, many of the points I would like to make but I would want to add a couple more first to personally thank you for the hundreds thousands of hours that really have gone into putting together this master arts plan thank you for the the attention it has to provide facilities around the county making sure that

[00:30:37] everybody has an opportunity to engage and and really connect with the arts at the level that they want to I mean that's obviously dancing is a key thing we've heard today but there's so many other areas and i see lila with you i see somebody who who i absolutely have to acknowledge and and appreciate and thank for his leadership of the workhouse arts center john mason thank you very much sir for your more than decade of work and particularly helping the county this board really our community through a tough time at the workhouse but one that i think we've clearly moved past and i i know as you have gone down there and i'm sure you're seeing some of those

[00:31:17] Examples of the work and the investments and the time and efforts that you made and how those are moving us all forward Artistically, but mostly making sure that the community is engaged and we have we can only Become the workhouse can become really whatever it can become I mean, we were the very beginning of this process as you know We have decades more to see how that evolves But this board has made it a decades-long commitment to the arts and the workhouse is a key part of that And again my thanks to all of you, but especially John to you Thank you, Supervisor Stork.

[00:31:50] Supervisor Alcorn. Thank you, Madam Chairman. So I want to, again, thank the task force. Lila, thank you so much. Your energy and drive on this really did get us to the finish line here, so thank you. And I just want to add one thing. I appreciate my colleagues.

[00:32:06] I appreciate Supervisor Paul Cech talking about this as a living document. I think that is very true. And something else that is going to be living, hopefully, is on the implementation side. And, you know, as we get this plan in place, now we get to think about implementation and financing.

[00:32:27] And I do appreciate very much the work, the creativity for various ways of financing different projects, different types of projects. I think it's going to require both that level of creativity for us as a board going forward, as well as some commitment at the board level to make some of these things happen in order to get there.

[00:32:48] So, you know, this is really such an important prerequisite to get us to that point for really financing and implementation. And it also just does a wonderful job of laying out, you know, what our needs are, what's in development.

[00:33:03] And I do look forward to this plan coming to full fruition. So thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Elkhorn. And it's nice to see Michael Lieberman. Apparently, retirement agrees with you, but you can't stay away for very long.

[00:33:21] Do the vote. The motion's been properly moved and seconded. All those in favor say aye. Aye. Anyone opposed? Anyone opposed? Any abstentions? That motion passes unanimously. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Smith. I think we're ready for a photo, so if everyone would come forward, the board will stay in place.

[00:33:41] Could we offer our thanks to you? Oh, I'm sorry. That's okay. Well, we've talked about you so much. It wasn't true there was anything left. Not a lot left to say, really. But I also want to just note for the record that I am a graduate of James Madison High School.

[00:34:01] So here we are today at James Madison High School Day in Fairfax County. Thank you, Chairman McKay, Vice Chair Gross, members of the Board of Supervisors, County Executive Hill, friends and colleagues on the Arts Fairfax Master Arts Plan Task Force, members of the Arts Fairfax Board of Directors, and county staff.

[00:34:25] As you prepare to accept the Fairfax County Master Arts Plan for facilities later this morning, let's remind ourselves that all human beings are creative, that in fact our creativity is perhaps our most universally shared attribute.

[00:34:43] In every era, culture, language, geography, or historical context, the arts tell our individual and collective stories. They are fundamental to understanding ourselves and each other.

[00:34:58] Being able to convey the complexity of our humanity through vibrant and lasting artistic expression requires commitment on the part of communities, both to fostering artistic curiosity and to providing hospitable settings for the expression of creativity.

[00:35:18] The work done by the task force over these past many years was guided always by our desire to assure that Fairfax County would have robust, diverse, accessible, and suitable dance force settings for making visual and performing artworks and for their audiences. Now we have a solid plan for supporting the wonderful array of arts venues already available in Fairfax County, as well as to realize the venues of the future that will continue to provide encouragement to

[00:35:56] artists and welcoming spaces for all to enjoy. This is a living plan designed to achieve our goals while responding to change. It will require our continuing commitment of time, focus, and resources to be achieved as we look to the bright future it promises for the arts in fairfax county let's be grateful for the tireless and collaborative collaborative efforts of all of you our incredibly arts forward board of supervisors the passionate arts advocates at arts fairfax

[00:36:34] by linda sullivan and the talented creative county staff everyone who poured their creative energy into this plan i'm particularly mindful today about recognizing ann rodriguez and john mason who with jerry connelly and alan merton launched this effort with the formation of the merton commission their foresight and passion for the arts guided us we remember ann and alan and celebrate with John as today marks another milestone on the never-ending exploration

[00:37:13] of creativity in Fairfax County. Thank you all so very much. Thank you, Anna. Now, if you would

[00:37:28] move forward. Okay. We'll have a picture. Our final proclamation this morning is to designate

[00:39:00] June of 2023. Yes, it's June of 2023 as Immigrant Heritage Month. Even though we're a little behind schedule, it's always good to celebrate Immigrant Heritage Month. This was requested by Chairman mckay and supervisor pal check our speaker today is carol escalante herrara director of immigrant community affairs here in fairfax county so please come on down and um you also have i think a lot of people with you i think rather than have everybody come down for the presentation um we'll ask everybody to come down for the photograph at the end how would you like to do this supervisor pal

[00:39:39] Palchuk? I don't know. I'm sure people are ready to stretch. All right. Why don't everybody who's here for the presentation come on down? And I believe I may be missing some groups. Okay. That we have Edu Futuro, New Virginia Majority, Centerville Immigration Forum, the English Empowerment Center. I know I saw them. Okay. Daryl Hidra, Just Neighbors. There may be other groups and others who are able to join us as well. All right. Supervisor Palchuk, you have the proclamation yes thank you uh chairman gross uh and chairman k virtually and all of you who are

[00:40:18] able to join us and thank you so much carol for helping us put this together um i know well next year we'll do it and make sure it's in june but we were so excited to make sure that we were able to do this for the first time at the board meeting and i know as was mentioned earlier we are so proud here in fairfax of the vibrancy of our community especially of the strength um that's brought to us by our immigrant community and we're so excited to see you all here today every generation is with us so the proclamation is whereas during immigrant heritage month we celebrate generations of

[00:40:54] immigrants from around the globe who have helped shape fairfax county's history and continue to define its future and whereas fairfax county welcomes all who wish to enjoy live and work in our community including those who have immigrated from other countries and choose to make Fairfax County home. And whereas representing the full diversity of Fairfax County's race, color, nationality, gender, sex, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, and income, our immigrant community is truly representative of the richness of their cultures and experiences.

[00:41:28] And whereas immigrants in the United States have worked tirelessly to secure their own rights and opportunities while also working to ensure justice and opportunity for others. And whereas our immigrant communities and their experiences are woven into the fabric of our past present and future and their incredible contributions have helped us build a better nation now therefore be it resolved that the fairfax county board of supervisors on behalf of all residents of fairfax county does hereby proclaim june 2023 as immigrant heritage month in fairfax county and does recognize

[00:42:07] and thank our immigrant community members for their contributions to our county, the Commonwealth, and the nation. Signed. Second. I've been moved by Supervisor Palchuk and seconded by

Chairman McKay. Is there further discussion? I'm going to recognize the chairman first. Chairman McKay.

[00:42:29] Thank you, Supervisor Gross, and thank you, Supervisor Palchuk, for your leadership on this, And I want to thank Carol, our director of immigrant community affairs in particular. I think the large show of support today in the boardroom is partly a byproduct of the great work that she's doing and the reason why it was so important and why I'm so proud that this board established that position to help members of our immigrant community be successful in Fairfax County and to access resources and opportunities in our community.

[00:43:03] And so as the proclamation was read, you know, I couldn't help but think that, you know, this is our DNA in Fairfax County. This is why we're successful. It is, in fact, our diversity, our diversity of cultures that makes not only our community a great place to live, but literally is the key to our economic success.

[00:43:23] And I was looking at some statistics recently, and as of 2020, over 30% of Fairfax County's population are immigrants, and of those, over 72% of those immigrants age 16 and older are part of our labor force in northern Virginia and Fairfax County.

[00:43:43] And so our diversity, of course, is a great reason to want to live in Fairfax, but I think oftentimes it's easy to forget how critical our immigrant community is to the economic success of Fairfax County. and celebrating Heritage Month this month is more than symbolic.

[00:44:03] It's what we do, it's what we act on, it's the type of community that we build and making sure that Fairfax County is always an open and welcoming community for all people to be able to come here and be successful. And so I'm delighted to be a part of this today.

[00:44:19] I thank all the organizations who were mentioned earlier who have been a part of making this Heritage Month celebration our first one, a big one, and look forward to continuing to do this on an annual basis because, unfortunately, this doesn't happen, and we want to make sure that all members of our community feel safe and welcome in Fairfax County and a part of our economic success story.

[00:44:44] So thank you all for being here today and look forward to celebrating this month and doing this on an annual basis moving forward. Thank you, Chairman McKay. Supervisor Patrick. Thank you, Chairman Gross. And as I look at our youngest member here, I think I was probably around his age when I immigrated from Argentina.

[00:45:02] And so I was six and a half. I'm not sure how old you are. But I'm very delighted to see all of you. And I think it really, truly shows the diversity of our community. I know there's one group I forgot to mention, and I say Ashuda. I know you probably say Ayuda. But the diversity of our language, of our experiences, of our backgrounds really, truly is so critical and to me so important that you feel not only safe and welcome as immigrants in our community that that you truly are the future of Fairfax County as well as well as the present and the past and I think it is so important the chairman mentioned some of the statistics for the

[00:45:41] county and I think if we're to dive a little bit deeply into the FCPS in our school demographics you'll see even a larger diversity in the future generations. Almost 200 languages as a language teacher. I love the culture.

[00:45:57] I think it's hard for me to live anywhere where we don't have that diversity of language because it really makes us a very special place to live, to work, and to be able to have a full life, whether it's in the

arts, in our economics, in our athletics, and our ability to enjoy life together and to learn how to enjoy not just our differences, but our commonalities as well, because we are all human, have our families and our loved ones and our experiences here. And so I'm so grateful to all of you. Hopefully, we'll have even more of our groups. I know it was a little bit of a last minute put together when we said this is so

[00:46:34] important. You know, I know we're coming to the end of Immigrant Heritage Month, but we wanted to at least make sure we didn't wait another year to start the celebration because this truly is what makes Fairbanks County a very special place to live and really to lead and so for our future generations for those of you who've been doing the work Rosalia Fajardo ICU for many many decades doing the work here in Fairbanks County I hope you appreciate that the recognition of this in our community is one of many first steps to really being an inclusive and vibrant even more vibrant community so I really want to thank the chairman and my colleagues for your many years of leadership

[00:47:14] for those of you in the community doing this work every day the organizations that are here today and I know the many more that are not with us today but that are on the ground every day ensuring our community is supported embraced and has the opportunities that everyone should have and does have so very excited about this proclamation thank you carol and our county staff for your continued support and i'm very happy to recognize this day here today thank you supervisor palchek any other discussion additional discussion um one thing before we vote um i look

[00:47:53] across the folks who are here with us this morning and i'm thinking if i hadn't run for public office I probably wouldn't know most of you because in our own little world, we tend not to sometimes spread out. But as an elected official, I'm looking and looking at you, Kim Cook. I've known you for probably 30 years. You were one of the very first people I met when I got elected.

[00:48:24] I'm looking at Rosalina. I've known you for many times, seen you at Wilston Multicultural Center. And then, you know, Jorge Figueroa, golly, going back to the Hispanic Committee of Virginia, and now having English empowerment in Mason District, not in Providence District anymore, and, of course, our friends from the mosque.

[00:48:46] It's just, that's what makes Fairfax County. And, Supervisor Patrick, you mentioned something about defining our, you know, our commonalities. And we spend way, people spend way too much time examining their differences when we ought to be looking at our commonalities because probably 80% is commonality.

[00:49:14] Or more. Or more. And we spend all this time, you know, struggling with the other 20%. If we could just understand, as we do in Fairfax County, you know, where we all come from and that we're all in this together.

[00:49:29] So I appreciate very much your bringing this forward, Supervisor Palchuk, and would hope that, even though I won't be on the board anymore, that Immigrant Heritage Month is properly and spectacularly celebrated.

[00:49:47] I keep thinking about the Ossian Hall Park International Concerts that we have every summer, celebrating on Saturday nights the cultures that are represented here, Bolivia and Indonesia.

[00:50:07] And we're going to have somebody from Jamaica next week. And it's just, it's wonderful because the opportunities are available to everybody. It's free. People bring their lawn chairs and their blankets, and they just enjoy learning about other cultures for an hour.

[00:50:26] It doesn't take a whole lot of investment, but it really is the best thing we do as a community. So with that, if there's no other conversation for discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions, that motion carries, and the floor is yours.

[00:50:46] Carol? Good morning. It's so great to be here today celebrating Immigrant Heritage Month. I am Carol Escalante, Director of Immigrant Community Affairs at Fairfax County. And I am joined with a powerful group of immigrant community members and leaders.

[00:51:09] We offer special thanks to Chairman McKay and Supervisor Paul Chick for their leadership in acknowledging Immigrant Heritage Month. We are excited to celebrate this special occasion with the Board of Supervisors, County Executive Brian Hill, community leaders, distinguished guests, and Fairfax County immigrant staff.

[00:51:32] Generations of immigrants from different parts of the world have helped shape Fairfax County's history and progress, and their hard work keeps defining our future. During Immigrant Heritage Month, we honor and celebrate the great contributions of immigrants and their descendants, whose spirit and strength outline and power our county and country.

[00:52:00] It's important to highlight that 29.4% of Fairfax County total population are immigrants. During this month, we want to recognize the countless ways immigrants have enriched our society, economy, and culture.

[00:52:16] Historically, immigrants have played an integral role in building a nation and advancing our democratic values and ideals. We understand that one of our strengths is our diversity.

[00:52:31] Immigrants fuel our economy and work in every profession, including health care, agriculture, public service, law, education, engineering, construction, caregiving, manufacturing, among others.

[00:52:49] 71.6% of immigrants in Fairfax, age 16 and older, are part of the workforce in Fairfax County. Additionally, in this community, we find many entrepreneurs and business owners that generate enormously a lot of jobs in Fairfax.

[00:53:11] Immigration has always been essential to America. Let's reflect on the strength and spirit of immigrants that have been passed down through families and infused in our nation. This month, let's celebrate the fact that we are surrounded by people from different backgrounds and ensure that Fairfax County is a place where immigrants, regardless of their citizenship or immigration status, can thrive and secure their economic success.

[00:53:45] Thank you. Thank you, Carol. I think we are ready for a photo, and so if you will all come forward, as you have seen others do, and Supervisor Palczyk will go down and pose for the picture.

[00:54:06] The rest of us will stay here at the dais.

[00:55:20] We'll now move on to board matters.

[00:55:47] The clerk has compiled these digitally, and they were circulated to board members yesterday afternoon. We will go alphabetically by district, and I will ask the chairman first, If you could sit quietly. Thank you. Mr. Chairman, do you have a brief board matter?

[00:56:13] I do. Thank you very much. Supervisor Gross, I have only one board item, and that is to recognize or approve without objection the proclamation requests that are listed in my board matter.

among them are Parks and Recreation Month, Northern Virginia Mental Health Foundation's 30th anniversary, and to recognize Eileen Ellsworth for 18 years of service as president and CEO of the Community Foundation of Northern Virginia.

[00:56:42] And I ask without objection, those proclamation requests be approved. So those will be without objection, so ordered, and those will be inside or outside the boardroom as appropriate. Yes, thank you very much, Supervisor Gross. And I also want to just take a quick moment, if I can, to thank you for chairing the meeting today.

[00:57:01] As my colleagues probably are aware, I am out of town today. This is the first time in almost 16 years that I have participated virtually in a Board of Supervisors meeting, unrelated to the one occasion I was lucky enough to have COVID.

[00:57:17] But I do want to thank you for chairing this meeting and stepping in today to make sure that it would run smoothly. and it is. So thank you very much. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. It's a lot easier to do this board meeting than it was to do three days of budget hearings when you had COVID. Yes. I have one board matter, which I will read. Nearly six years ago, the board approved a contribution from the Economic Development Support Fund, now known as the Economic Opportunity Reserve, EOR, for Annandale

[00:57:52] pilot projects to aid revitalization goals of the Annandale Business Center. Since 2017, the EOR funding supported work done in partnership with the Fairfax County Park Authority and other county agencies to construct a park and underutilized open space at 7200 Columbia Pike, a county-owned property in the heart of downtown Annandale. This year's long effort included a creative community visioning process in 2018, the installation of the Annandale Pop-Up Park and summer programming on the site in 2019 and the pursuit of land use approvals, permits, and the steady assemblage

[00:58:27] of multiple sources of funding for the park's construction since 2020. Happily, the Annandale Civic Space currently is under construction and expected to open later this year. The park will offer a civic plaza with seating, an educational garden, a flexible lawn space with topography playground, a new ADA accessible path from Daniels Avenue to Columbia Pike, and the adjacent parking lot will be capable of hosting pop-up programming. The realization of this project has required creativity and flexibility in its vision, its partnership approach, and in its

[00:59:03] financing. As you might imagine, the estimated cost of the park has risen over the years and outpaced the assembled funds, and some design elements were modified or eliminated as a result. While the project could be completed as is, I believe strongly that the inclusion of certain design elements such as lighting and modifications to the parking lot would position the park for greater visitor safety and long-term success pursuit of these elements during a subsequent phase of construction would contribute positively to the park's visibility connectivity and ability to serve as an anchor for civic connection in an important revitalization area additional one-time

[00:59:43] funding of a hundred thousand dollars is requested to pursue these crucial pending improvements and therefore i ask without objection that dmb staff include a hundred thousand dollars as a consideration item for the fy 2023 carryover review second that's without objection i'm sorry all right um it does yes we do not vote on it because it will be a consideration item but thank you um now we will go to supervisor walkenshaw i have no board matters oh no board matters thank

[01:00:16] you. Supervisor Faust. Thank you, Madam Chairman. This is a joint board matter with Chairman Jeff McKay and myself to proclaim July 2023 as Disability Pride Month in Fairfax County.

[01:00:31] Disability Pride Month is celebrated nationally in the month of July to commemorate the passing of the Landmark Americans with Disabilities Act on July 26, 1990. The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, or ADA, is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination based on disability.

[01:00:52] It affords similar protections against discrimination to Americans with disabilities as the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which made discrimination based on race, religion, sex, national origin, and other characteristics illegal, and later, when amended, sexual orientation and gender identity.

[01:01:11] Unlike the Civil Rights Act, the ADA also requires covered employers to provide reasonable accommodations to employees with disabilities and imposes accessibility requirements on public accommodations. ADA disabilities include both mental and physical medical conditions.

[01:01:33] A condition does not need to be severe or permanent to be a disability. Since 1990, Disability Pride Month has celebrated disabled people, their identities and culture, and their contributions to society. It also seeks to change the way people think about and define disability to end the stigma of disability and to promote the belief that disability is a natural part of human diversity in which people living with disabilities can celebrate and take pride.

[01:02:05] Unfortunately, disabled individuals continue to face discrimination for something out of their control. The unemployment rate for disabled people is double that for non-disabled people. Disabled people also face increased danger of being victims of crime.

[01:02:21] A Department of Justice study found that for the period 2017 to 2019, disabled people accounted for 26% of non-fatal violent crimes, although they comprise only 12% of the population. In celebration of this county's richly diverse population, this board has repeatedly affirmed its commitment to promoting a culture of openness, inclusiveness, and acceptance for all persons in Fairfax County.

[01:02:48] We appreciate that by embracing and celebrating our individual identities, we become a better county and grow stronger as a community. Therefore, Chairman McKay and I move that the Board of Supervisors proclaim July 2023 as Disability Pride Month in Fairfax County and invite representatives of the disability community and their supporters as well as county staff and representatives from the many nonprofit organizations that provide services to people with disabilities come before the board at its July 25, 2023 meeting to receive the proclamation. So moved.

[01:03:28] second it's been moved and multiply seconded question uh the the time has been reserved on the july 25th okay the answer is yes is there discussion on the motion seen and hearing none all those in favor of the motion please say aye aye any opposed say nay any abstentions that motion carries um is that it that is it thank you madam chair um supervisor alcorn uh thank you madam chairman i have uh one board matter one announcement but before i do either of those I would like to introduce our summer intern for the Hunter Mill District Office.

[01:04:04] Hannah Allen is a 2023 graduate of South Lakes High School in Reston. This fall, she will attend UVA, majoring in computer science and global studies. Hannah aspires to attend law school after college, but having lived overseas for most of her childhood while her parents worked for the Department of State, Hannah moved back last summer as an excited to explore how local government works.

[01:04:30] And in the Hunter Mill office, she's definitely going to get a taste of it. So welcome, Hannah. Welcome. Is attendance at UVA a prerequisite in your office? Just random chance.

[01:04:46] Just random chance, okay. And you have a board matter? I do have a board matter and an announcement. So thank you, Madam Chairman. Pending rezoning application, RZ2022-HM-00023 is a request from Caliber Developments LC to rezone 1.14 acres of land from the R1 district to the R3 district to develop three single-family detached homes at the property located at 1800 Creek Crossing Road.

[01:05:16] Two years ago, the existing house on this property was proposed for a school use, and that proposal was withdrawn after extensive concern expressed by members of the community. The Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the rezoning application at the June 28, 2023 Planning Commission public hearing.

[01:05:34] However, the Board of Supervisors public hearing for the rezoning will not occur until September 12, 2023. Authorization of concurrent processing for the subdivision plan related to this rezoning will allow the applicant to move forward with the engineering subdivision plan concurrently with zoning review.

[01:05:50] Therefore, Madam Chair, I move that the board direct the director of the Department of Land Development Services to accept concurrent and simultaneously review of a subdivision plan and or other plans and permits as may be necessary to implement the subdivision plan associated with RZ 2022-HDEM-00023, and this motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the board on the proposed applications and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with the provision of applicable ordinances, regulations, or adopted standards in any way.

[01:06:23] You've heard the motion, seconded by Supervisor Palchuk. Is there discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any extensions? That motion carries. Thank you very much, Madam Chair. And just an announcement.

[01:06:41] So this relates to the Reston Comprehensive Plan update. So I think as the Board is definitely aware, we recently became aware that the county needs to adjust the public hearing schedules on several items, including the proposed Reston Comprehensive Plan. The result for the Reston Comprehensive Plan will be an additional hearing before the Planning Commission on July 19th and a delay in the board's public hearing until September 12th.

[01:07:06] According to the county attorney's office, these hearing changes are being made out of abundance of caution in response to new statutory amendments regarding public notice and hearing requirements. They're similar to changes being made in other jurisdictions, including Loudoun County, and they're affecting other pending items, including the proposed Pan Am comprehensive plan amendment in the Providence District and some special exception amendment applications.

[01:07:32] The delay in board action on the comprehensive plan also affects Reston's SSPA nominations process and the work underway by the Reston Town Center North Citizens Task Force. More to come on those topics as we try to move those land use matters forward in a thoughtful and diligent manner.

[01:07:51] It's an unfortunate and unintended consequence of the statutory amendments, but we want the county to move forward on all these items in a manner that leaves no doubt about the soundness of our public hearing process.

[01:08:06] The good news for Reston residents is that they will have at least four more opportunities to provide additional comment. At the Planning Commission meeting on July 19th, a town hall at my office on July 27th, Also via email and telephone of an expected markup of the comp plan in late August, early September, before the board public hearing.

[01:08:32] And finally, that board of supervisors public hearing on September 12th. So I appreciate the tremendous work that's been done by Hunter Mill, Commissioner John Carter and county staff, particularly the Department of Planning and Development, as well as many rest in residence. More information will be on the Hunter Mill District webpage and my newsletter.

[01:08:52] Thank you very much for indulging me, but as this is a little twist on the process, I just want to make sure it's all clear. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn. I think your cases are the first that we have had since the Supreme Court decision, the Virginia Supreme Court decision.

[01:09:08] So I appreciate your giving us that information. I'm going to apologize to Supervisor Lusk. The list I have of board members does not include the alteration for the new name of the former Lee District.

[01:09:24] So it was in alphabetical order, and I skipped over you. So, Supervisor Lusk, you are next. Thank you very much, Madam Chairman, and I'll say no apology necessary. I have one announcement, and I will note, Madam Chairman, as you are aware, the Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County Police Department recently received a set of recommendations from the Police Executive Research Forum, also known as PERF, based on their study and review of recent officer-involved shootings in Fairfax County. One of those recommendations is to provide all Fairfax County Police Department officers with PERF's Integrating Communications

[01:10:03] Assessment and Tactics Training Program, also known as de-escalation. I wanted to make an announcement today highlighting the incredible work by Chief Davis and the Fairfax County Police Department by letting the board and the public know that by the end of October all officers will have received the ICAT training. This is important work by our police department and in the most recent study from the Louisville Metro Police Department, independent researchers determined that the ICAT training program has been proven to significantly reduce use of force incidents, citizen injuries, and police injuries. Not only was this training recommended by PERF,

[01:10:43] but it was also recommended by the University of Texas at San Antonio's use of force study, the use of force committee, community advisory committee, and the matrix working group. I should be clear as well that this is not the only significant recent training initiative by Chief Davis and the police department, as we are proud to say that all of our officers have now completed the Active Bystandership for Law Enforcement, or ABLE, training.

[01:11:11] This training, created by the Georgetown University Law Center, focuses on preparing officers to successfully intervene to prevent harm and to create a law enforcement culture that supports peer intervention. Providing these trainings and others like it have been a point of focus for residents and experts alike.

[01:11:31] We owe it to our officers to provide them with any available training that will help them make critical decisions in the most important and defining moments of their career. And we owe it to our residents to ensure that police have the knowledge and training they need to keep our community safe and secure.

[01:11:48] Thank you again to Chief Davis for undertaking this very, very important work. Lastly, I want to let the board know that the chief will be presenting at the October safety and security meeting on the matrix working group's recommendations, as well as provide an update on this ICAT training effort.

[01:12:05] Thank you, Madam Chairman. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. That's good news for us. Moving on, Supervisor Stork, we have a revised board matter from you. Okay. That's correct. Slightly revised. Thank you. Yes. Shiloh Baptist Church is located at 10704 Gunston Road in Lorton, Virginia, across from Gunston Hall.

[01:12:29] The historic church was established in 1869 by freed slaves and recently celebrated their 150th anniversary. The church use is currently governed by special permit SPA 83-V-090-102, which was previously approved in 2016 to permit site modifications and a building addition, with no changes to the parking lot or seating capacity in the main church building.

[01:12:55] To comply with plan requirements, the seating capacity was reflected as 148, requiring 38 parking spaces. Due to issues with geometric requirements and utility interference with some parking spaces the plan approval has been delayed and the church cannot acquire bond release instead continuing to pay for extensions of establishing the use multiple times since 2016. recently however it was discovered the church's actual maximum seating capacity is slightly lower and therefore requires a corresponding smaller amount of parking spaces through multiple meetings over the past year with fairfax county land development services department of planning and development

[01:13:34] and the applicants representatives a path forward has been identified requiring several plan resubmissions and other approvals to reflect the reduced seating capacity and parking space requirement unfortunately this will be very costly for the church given the church's financial hardship since the pandemic and its status a non-profit there's good cause to grant the request for waivers of any zoning or site related submission fees therefore madam chairman i move that the board of supervisors direct the director of land development services and the Director of the Department of Planning and Development to grant a waiver of all applicable county zoning and site-related fees

[01:14:12] specified in Zoning Ordinance Section 8102 for the as-built plan revision for Shiloh Baptist Church located at 10704 Gunston Road, Virginia 22079. This motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation on any application by the Board and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with the provisions of any applicable ordinances, regulations, or adopted standards.

[01:14:37] This action in no way prejudices the substantive review of the application. Second. It's been moved and seconded. The county attorney has advised that this is appropriate for these unique circumstances. Thank you.

[01:14:53] Is there any discussion on the motion? Supervisor Alcorn. Yeah, thank you. I'm going to support the motion. I mean, this isn't as built, but I think we do need to be very careful as a board about when we waive these fees. You know, this is a different, I think you made a good case on why this is different, but, you know, we do have a lot of churches that come through and spend a lot of money in getting approvals, and I don't want to see us go down the path of, you know, being too accommodating because we all get these requests.

[01:15:28] but uh you make a good case for this one thank you there are truly unique circumstances here supervisor stork and madam chair this the church has been a lot of money on this already which is i think

part of the reason why you all are comfortable with this and i concur that we have to obviously we have a lot of folks who come to us with these kinds of requests this is fairly unique and i appreciate the board's consideration okay thank you any other comments or discussion seen and hearing none all those in favor of the motion please say aye aye any opposed say nay any abstentions that motion carries um supervisor stork is that it for you i have just one other

[01:16:06] thing um madam chair we are welcoming michelle tugby michelle if you could stand up please you all might actually might uh remember this face because uh she's been the star of the school board for the past year yeah as a student representative we are welcoming michelle as our summer intern is a recent graduate of south county high school and a rising freshman at brown university double majoring in international and public affairs and education policy michelle is very active in different clubs and organizations as well as the community most notably serving as a student member

[01:16:43] of the fairfax county school board a founding member of fcps's student equity ambassador leaders and vice president of the fcps superintendent's advisory council with her experience michelle's is eager to get to work and learn more about her community and she's done just that she jumped right in so thank you very much Michelle Thank You Supervisor Stark I suspect that no other Brown undergraduate will have that kind of service on their resume as school board representative and an excellence in quality services and a very challenging environment is lesson life lessons are

[01:17:22] have come strongly to her over the past several years so thank you good thank you supervisor Palchuk thank you Mr. Gross I do have two board matters but before that I will go ahead and also want to introduce my two summer interns who've been waiting very patiently here today Vidushi Basnet is a rising senior at McLean High School along with being a Virginia Earth Sciences System Scholar she's participating in the Fairfax County youth leadership program and interning with us this summer.

[01:17:55] Bidushi is considering majoring in economics with a focus on either environmental sciences or international relations. Bidushi was born in Nepal and growing up in a developing country piqued her interest in learning about the implications that natural resources and foreign relations have on local and regional economies. Bidushi likes to spend her spare time either going on hikes or trying out new recipes or cuisines. We're very excited she's joining us. Great team member for the summer. Welcome, Bedushi. Thank you. And we also have Lourdes. Lourdes Naharo Cepeda is a 2023 graduate this year of Falls Church High School.

[01:18:34] She's returning for a second year as our intern this summer. Did an excellent job last year, and we're excited to have her back before she heads to Virginia Commonwealth University this fall. She's been extremely involved in her community and her school by volunteering for abcd at kingsley by assisting with food drives helped us during the covet pandemic and by translating for members in her community to sign up for the covet vaccine and for our traffic safety survey so lourdes has truly been very engaged with our office and the community um in her school this past year she was secretary of the spanish honors society and captain of the

[01:19:12] color girl color guard and she also was involved with theater program even choreographing a number in her school's production of Chicago. At VCU, Lourdes plans on majoring in political science and working in the legal field. We're so delighted to have Lourdes and Bedushi here with us this summer.

[01:19:30] Welcome. Welcome, ladies. And going back to dance floors, I would imagine that you learned a lot about choreographing something for Chicago on a high school stage.

[01:19:47] And a school getting ready for renovation, too. Yes, exactly, exactly. You have a board matter. I do have two board matters. The first one is jointly with Chairman McKay and Supervisors Alcorn and Wackenshaw, recognizing Fairfax Diapers and promoting the Volunteer and Partner Services Donation Drive.

[01:20:06] Members of the board, on June 21st, Fairfax Diapers accomplished a tremendous achievement by distributing their millionth diaper. Fairfax Diapers was founded in the spring of 2019 by Christine Kenney with the goal of easing the challenge of diaper insecurity.

[01:20:22] while also raising awareness of the ongoing and present need within our community. On June 25, 2019, Fairfax Diapers distributed its very first diapers at Food for Others, our local nonprofit. Since then, Fairfax Diapers has distributed diapers through 11 local partner organizations.

[01:20:41] With no overhead costs and an all-volunteer board, every dollar donated goes straight to purchasing diapers for our community. Currently, 47% of families with young children struggle with getting access to diapers, so their work is crucial to our community.

[01:20:58] Fairfax Diapers distributes 30,000 diapers each month, with over 70% being distributed at Food for Others during food distributions. My office recently partnered with Fairfax Diapers for a diaper drive, and we collected 1,400 diapers from our generous community members.

[01:21:15] Fairfax Diapers is a critical asset to our vulnerable residents. If you can, please consider donating diapers to Fairfax Diapers or signing up to volunteer. Another great way to give back and support the ongoing needs of families in our community is by fulfilling donation requests for much-needed baby supplies through volunteer and partner services.

[01:21:36] This drive is ongoing and is only accepting brand-new items. In addition to these most-needed items, donations of gift cards to local grocery stores to support the desperate need for short-term grocery assistance for the families in our community are also being collected if you are interested and able to help make sure our local families have basic necessities for their children please visit bit.ly slash baby drive items to see a list of the most needed items and where they can be sent for additional information or questions you can contact sam carrico by email samantha.carrico at fairfaxcounty.gov or by calling

[01:22:14] 571-536-8192. Services offered by Fairfax Diapers and volunteer and partner services help countless families, ensuring they have the resources they need for a healthy and safe environment. I want to thank our staff, our volunteers, and our community members who make these services possible. Your devotion, support, and generosity are greatly appreciated, especially in these extremely challenging times for many families. Therefore, we move without objection to recognize Perfect's diapers for their outstanding achievement and request that the Office of Public Affairs prepare a resolution for presentation outside the boardroom.

[01:22:53] In addition, we move without objection that the Office of Public Affairs publicize a volunteer and partner services donation drive on the appropriate channels and encourage our community to participate. Without objection, so ordered. Thank you, Madam Chair.

[01:23:08] And the second is also a joint board matter here with Chairman McKay and Supervisor Smith, Faust, Alcorn, and Herity on athletic state achievements. Some additional ones to the ones we saw today. Members of the board, our local Fairfax County athletic teams made several recent state-level achievements.

[01:23:30] I want to recognize the following teams and athletes from Oakton High School and McLean High School who placed at the top of their sports at the recent Spring State Championships. Below is a list of those accomplishments. From Oakton High School, the girls' varsity lacrosse team or the state champions um and in the boys varsity 800 meters iyasu yamane was the state champion and at mclean high school the girls softball team did win the state championship i know some of those are competing against each other so um therefore we move without objection that the office of public affairs prepare resolutions to be presented inside or outside

[01:24:09] the boardroom as schedules permit this fall to recognize their athletes along with their coaches and families for their achievements dedication and team collaboration without objections so ordered thank you madam ms chair and those are all my board matters for today thank you supervisor palchek supervisor herity uh yes madam chairman i have one um jointly with supervisor stork saratoga is a wills and van meter community of 690 single-family homes with 39 acres of wooded common use property nestled throughout the neighborhood the saratoga community association was established

[01:24:44] in the 1970s as a homeowners association of the residents lots and common areas contained within the saratoga boundaries today saratoga offers a wealth of popular amenities within walking distance including access to private membership pool which hosts the saratoga stingray swim team both a fun summer team and a competitive swim team where many saratoga families have volunteered to help support the youth of saratoga through this sport also it offers direct access to the 40 mile gccct and adjacent pohick creek which connects the entire county from one end to the other provides a

[01:25:21] national wonderland to discover and enjoy on september 21st the saratoga community association will be celebrating its 50th anniversary therefore madam chairman i ask without objection that we prepare a proclamation recognizing saratoga community association's 50 years of service the residents of saratoga and fairfax county presented outside the boardroom at their anniversary celebration on september 21st 2023 without objection so ordered that's it all right um supervisor yes i'm sorry supervisor stork i i just want to make first off thank you

[01:25:59] supervisor for bringing this forward and just to recognize it's really an amazing community that's that's kind of nestled right around lots of other major highways but there's really a huge identity community identity the elementary school is a key part of that but i just appreciate it it's very hard to bring that forward and i'll enable enough the opportunity to recognize it yeah this is this is one of my uh new new areas that i picked up in redistricting and i reached out to the supervisor store because he'd represented it for his whole term on the board so and the 1970s was a time for uh considerable growth in the county so we are going to have

[01:26:33] probably more communities that are achieving the 50 uh year anniversary um uh supervisor smith you are our last board matter thank you madam chair the 31st annual centerville day takes place in centerville's historic district on saturday october 14th sponsored by the friends of historic centerville the festivities include a parade live entertainment crafters local businesses community groups food vendors children's activities and tours of the historic district the friends of Friends of Historic Centerville is a non-profit organization and the proceeds from the event go towards developing Historic Centerville Park, financing educational programs of students

[01:27:11] from Title I elementary schools, supporting local scouting projects and other charitable causes. The Friends of Historic Centerville enlist the assistance of community volunteers, scouts and

students from Ormond Stone Middle School to prepare the grounds for the event, including litter and debris pickup, maintain cleanliness throughout the event and restore the historic area after the event ends.

[01:27:31] Therefore, in the interest of maximizing the benefits from this event, I move that county staff waive the tipping fees for the trash disposal and ask that staff work with the waste management hauler for the removal of trash from the event. You heard the motion, which I seconded, multiply by Supervisors Lusk and Faustus, their discussion on the motion.

[01:27:51] Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions, that motion carries. Thank you, Madam Chairman. Thank you. Just want to call attention to what time it is.

[01:28:09] We miss you, Mr. Chairman. With that, actually, in fairness, this is a very short agenda today. It just so happens every once in a while we have a short agenda.

[01:28:26] With that, we're ready to move on to administrative items. Is there a motion to approve admin items 1 through 3? So moved. Moved by Supervisor Palchuk, seconded jointly by Supervisors Lusk and the chairman. Are there any admin items board members would like to have discussed or have voted on separately?

[01:28:45] If not, yes, Supervisor Walkinshaw. Thank you, Madam Chairman. I just want to not vote on separately, but just discuss admin three briefly. Sure, go ahead. Admin 3 is approval of traffic calming measures as part of the Residential Traffic Administration Program, or RTAP, for Inver Chapel Road in Braddock District.

[01:29:07] That's right. Thank you, Madam Chairman. And as my colleagues know, these traffic calming processes can be sometimes contentious. And because the board and folks in the community have received some communications, I just wanted to speak briefly and reassure the board and the community that all of the RTAP procedures were followed in this case.

[01:29:32] There was an expression of interest from a resident in the community that was confirmed by the Civic Association that they wanted to pursue the process. We confirmed that the road in question meets VDOT's standards for traffic calming. The traffic count and speed study confirmed that the speeds were excessive and there was a significant amount of traffic to meet the standards.

[01:29:57] A community task force was formed, and working with the experts at FCDOT, they developed a conceptual plan based on what the engineers felt would be necessary to reduce the speeds on the road that's in question.

[01:30:13] That plan included seven devices, ultimately became six speed humps and one speed table. The homes adjacent to each of those seven devices signed off on the plan.

[01:30:29] There was a community meeting that, relevant to other traffic calming community meetings, was very well attended. It went on for 90 minutes. There was robust discussion of the plan, of the devices. People expressed support. People expressed lack of support. People expressed different opinions. That meeting was recorded and shared with anyone who wanted to watch it afterwards. They had the opportunity to provide input as well. It's been noted that that meeting

[01:31:04] conflicted with a meeting relevant to Lake Akatink, which would be a problem because this is a street that borders Lake Akatink. However, that meeting was a meeting hosted by the North Springfield Civic Association, which is a different neighborhood.

[01:31:20] It coincided with their meeting schedule. But anyone who wanted to participate in that North Springfield meeting could have watched this meeting on the recording after the fact. After that meeting, the task force made a decision to move forward to the community vote process with the conceptual plan that was presented.

[01:31:43] I do think that there was unfortunately some neighbor-to-neighbor communication breakdown at a certain point in terms of the task force. But one thing that's important to note is nothing in the RTAP procedures require the task force to make unanimous decisions.

[01:32:05] So even if a member of the task force preferred a different plan task force could take a vote a majority vote to move forward to vote with a conceptual plan and as my colleagues know it is a very high bar to get 50% plus one of households in a ballot area to support a traffic calming plan.

[01:32:28] And we've had a number of them going on over the last few months in Braddock District. Most of them have not been successful. Most of the time, communities are not able to get to that threshold. Here they did. 51% exactly of households in the ballot area voted to move forward with the plan.

[01:32:46] It ended up being actually 68% of the ballots that were cast. Obviously, not everyone returns their ballot, but they did meet the threshold. I've been very consistent in every traffic calming process that I want to respect the community's wishes.

[01:33:03] And here, although it was far from unanimous, the community's wish based on the outcome of the ballot process is to move forward with the traffic calming plan that was outlined at the community meeting. I will note that our RTAP procedures do allow for modification or reconsideration of the traffic calming measures after two years.

[01:33:28] So if two years go by and the community wants to revisit this issue and look at removing devices or different devices, they'll have the opportunity to do that. But I do feel like it's clear that the RTAP procedures were followed here.

[01:33:47] I wish that there was unanimity in the ballot area for this, but that's not often the case, and they did meet the threshold, and I hope my colleagues will support it. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Walkinshaw. I think all of us most likely have had.

[01:34:05] We do residential traffic administration program many times. I've lost track of the number of streets. If you've got a speed hump or a speed table in Mason District, you most likely went in during my time in office.

[01:34:23] But it's a community process, and it's a very specific community process, and it is one of those things sometimes that, well, if you didn't return a ballot and it didn't go the way you would have liked it to, you should have returned your ballot.

[01:34:39] But at any rate, I think we always have a difference of opinion in the neighborhood, But quite often at the end of the first year after something has been installed, people grudgingly say it works, it slows down the traffic.

[01:34:58] It doesn't necessarily affect the volume of traffic, but it does slow down the traffic. And speed humps and speed tables have become a way of life. It's unfortunate that we have to resort to that because if people would just pay attention to the speed limit and follow the speed limit, We wouldn't have to spend all this extra time, but it is a good community process, and it has proven itself many, many times.

[01:35:22] Yes, remember, we're still on admin items. Okay, Supervisor Alcon. Yeah, just to throw in a couple of thoughts on that. I appreciate your comments very much, and Supervisor Walkinshaw. I actually think that the process needs to be easier for providing safety-related improvements in our neighborhoods.

[01:35:43] And I appreciate the political challenges in the community whenever there's a division. But I also recognize that in order for us to change our process to make it easier to put safety-related improvements, we also have to get the state to agree to do that.

[01:36:03] So we do have some very prescriptive guidance from the Virginia Department of Transportation in how this process can work. Personally, I know this definitely is going against the folks that lost this ballot initiative in Braddock District.

[01:36:20] But personally, I hope that we'll keep moving in a direction of making it easier to put these safety improvements in our community. So I just wanted to throw that out there. Thank you, Supervisor Aukorn. And there were some adjustments made to the RTAP process a few years ago just to get to that slightly easier process.

[01:36:38] But it is a robust process. Seeing and hearing no other discussion, the motion is on approving the administrative items 1 through 3. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. And any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions?

[01:36:54] That motion carries. We'll now move to action items. The first action item is approval of a memorandum of understanding between Fairfax County and the Tyson's Community Alliance. Supervisor Pacek or Supervisor Alcorn, do you have a motion? Yes, I do.

[01:37:09] we have staff coming down just in okay i will begin with the motion and then we'll just add a few words of gratitude and i know staff are here to answer any questions um so first of all i move approval of the county executive's recommendation for action item one it's been moved and multiply seconded including from the chairman is there discussion on the motion yes madam chair supervisor Thank you. First of all, I'm glad they're both here with us in person. I especially want to thank Scott Sizer and Emily Hartwood-Smith for their incredible efforts in creating this, I believe, first of its kind.

[01:37:49] I know we have many MOUs in the county, but this kind of organization and the public-private efforts of it and the ability to bring everyone together for it. I know there are other staff who have been supportive, but I want to thank both of them for leading us in those efforts.

[01:38:05] as let me just want to give a couple highlights from the MOU for those of you who maybe haven't had a chance to read the entire document but the Tyson's Community Alliance is in Tyson's designated as the urban center of Fairfax County to attract the economic investment and development of new and diverse communities TCA is now an incorporated non-stop corporation 501c6 and this MOU will help ensure that collaboration between the TCA the board

[01:38:40] and the community it is a combined effort between the county the residential and business communities and Tyson's and TCA is an independent separate and legal entity from the BOS and you may

have heard as of July 5th they have a new executive director Katie Crystal has taken the helm I especially want to the Department of Economic Initiatives and all of the county agencies who have been and continue to be instrumental in this work the MOU does also outline the four activity areas for the their work including communications and branding

[01:39:17] placemaking and place management research and business support and transportation and mobility so all of those agencies are also involved on the county side and i want to thank them and there will be an emphasis on facilitating collaboration enhancing public and private spaces promoting tyson's and providing active place management there is additional information in mou on those four areas but i just want to highlight a few things i think in the mou that really stood out for me and appreciate that they're included here you will see the initial list of the board members who they are representing

[01:39:55] and the fact that they are representative of the county the businesses and the residents of the community as well as representatives from the drainsville hunter mill and providence area i also appreciate that there will be number one an annual review and a report that must be submitted within four months of the close of the fiscal year by the executive director of the TCA to the Board of Supervisors so we will be able to continue to monitor that there will be an annual budget request included in our annual budget process

[01:40:30] for the county funding as well as it is stated here there will be an endeavor for supplemental funding from the TCA both through federal state local and private grant and loan opportunities as well as alternative revenue streams that the TCA is expected to leverage through their work and finally I appreciate I believe in L additional conditions number five it states that at least as often as every five years the BOS and the TCA shall review this MOU to

[01:41:07] determine whether any changes in the agreement are desired or if this MOU should be terminated so just to be clear this is being created we hope it is a a pilot that is successful and that will lead to other pilots in the county but there is always the possibility to amend and to terminate as well as that it is expected every five years as we know things change we talked about living documents earlier this morning and mou is a legal document but i think it's important that we be able to monitor and continue to ensure and hopefully

[01:41:41] see success but know that we can shift it in our role on on the BOS working with TCA so I will pause there and appreciate that the MOU outlines all of the roles and responsibilities as well as the checks and balances and expectations of the work of the TCA and of our board thank you thank you supervisor Patrick certainly the board did have a presentation yes in committee last month sounds very exciting um good moving in the in the right direction yes chairman mckay yeah i just uh want to echo everything that supervisor palchek said but attachment one has in our board package has

[01:42:21] that list of appointees and i want to thank my colleagues for their contributions to that if you you look at that many of those are names we know well it's going to be an exceptional board of directors and i think the mou is is very well written it'll set us moving forward in the the right direction, but really in advance want to thank all the folks who are willing to serve on the board of directors. It is going to be a significant time lift, but certainly look forward to working with them in the future. And again, thank them for agreeing to be appointed and for

[01:42:54] serving. Thank you, Chairman McKay. Certainly looking at the list of appointees, a lot of busy people who are willing to take on more responsibility which is always a wonderful opportunity for

volunteers but it's something that we treasure here in Fairfax County supervisor Alcorn yeah thank you madam chair so yeah I'm glad this is moving forward want to basically thank the staff and and the members of the the Tyson's Community Alliance who've worked to make this happened and supervisor Paul check for her leadership on this my question is

[01:43:32] that I know we're not doing budget here and I know when this came has come to the board before one of the understandings was that there would be some movement towards integrating some of the work of the Tyson's transportation district with this effort I realize that has not moved forward it's still some work to be done to integrate those two activities, I would say, concurrent activities.

[01:44:02] But in terms of any amendments to this MOU to accommodate work that is overseen by the Tyson's, or funded by the Tyson's Transportation Service District, would that be an amendment to this MOU, or how might we see that be made, basically make that happen?

[01:44:24] Thank you for your question. It sounds like Scott Sizer needs to respond to this perhaps. Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn. I'm Scott Sizer with the Department of Economic Initiatives. And to be direct with this MOU, we do believe that the MOU is written broadly to accommodate any future changes for transportation or how transportation and mobility may be addressed by the TCA going forward. If there are some specific elements that do create conflicts or we want to memorialize, we may come back with the MOU. What's more maybe applicable

[01:45:00] is that there's actually a second document which the board has used previously to establish then the Tyson's partnership as the Transportation Management Association for Tyson's. And so that separate document that basically enables them to act as a TMA, that is the document that will either be revised, changed, edited, most likely in terms of what the board would like the tyson's community alliance to do in terms of a transportation management association going forward okay thank you yeah i think the tma role is one i actually have been more focused on

[01:45:36] some of the some of the projects the sidewalk trail you know pedestrian level projects that some of which are already part of the tyson transportation service district they're they're in the comprehensive plan um so basically we we have this uh transportation service district it's been going for over a decade the the tyson's landowners have all been putting money into it and it's made tremendous progress in helping fund a number of projects in our comp plan um and now that we have this this organization that is that is coming from really the ground up uh that is

[01:46:13] is representing the the local uh residents and owners and and business folks there um and part of their mission is transportation um the tma part is absolutely critical but also on the on the um really the new facility part and and perhaps maintenance and other things that uh very much overlap or should overlap uh with the functions of the tyson's transportation service district i I would very much want to see that continue to move forward so that this can be a robust

[01:46:51] and, frankly, locally managed piece. The other thing that it does, frankly, it means there's some local money going to this. It's not just us countywide Board of Supervisors putting money into this thing. So I think that's also an important precedent as we move forward with more initiatives like this.

[01:47:08] So thank you very much for your answer, Scott, and I'll definitely follow up with the transportation folks on that as well. Thank you, Supervisor Halfkorn. Any other discussion on this item? Action 1. Seen and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[01:47:25] Aye. Opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. Moving on to Action 2, approval of an agreement between the town of Herndon and Fairfax County to design and construct the Sugarland Run North Stream Restoration Project.

[01:47:42] Supervisor Faust? Thank you, Madam Chairman. I move approval of the county executive's recommendation. Second. Moved and multiply seconded. Is there discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[01:48:00] Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. Thank you to staff for being here, just in case we had any questions. Action 3, approval of the FY 2024 and FY 2025 community services performance contract between the Fairfax Falls Church Community Services Board and the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

[01:48:24] Supervisor Palchuk? Yes, Madam Chair. I move approval of the county executive's recommendation for action item 3. Second. Seconded by the Chairman and by Supervisor Lusk. Is there discussion on the motion? Seen and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[01:48:40] Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. Action 4, authorization to establish the Fairfax Talent Up Fund, a work-based learning program demonstration project. Supervisor Faust? Thank you, Madam Chair.

[01:48:57] Madam Chair, we've spoken about this in committee a couple of times now, But I just want to summarize here the county executive's recommendation, which is that the county executive recommends the Board of Supervisors establish the Fairfax Talent Up Fund, a work-based learning demonstration project for individuals that have suffered negative economic impacts due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

[01:49:27] approve the expenditure of $2.5 million, and approve requests for County Executive to enter into an agreement with an organization to administer the program. I move approval with the County Executive's recommendation.

[01:49:46] Second. Moved and multiply seconded. Is there discussion on the motion? Supervisor Smith, did you? Okay, Supervisor Faustin and Supervisor Smith had a question. Thank you, Madam Chair. I just want to say that this is a critical piece of our economic development planning and implementation.

[01:50:09] I want to thank staff for very excellent work, I think, in putting it together. But I especially want to thank the Economic Advisory Commission members, the team that we have of community leaders and others who came together and identified this as a, I'll call it a super priority, getting this work-based learning program in place.

[01:50:38] uh this is a demonstration project we uh we anticipate that it will take off and that others will help us uh with the uh funding uh to sustain it on a going forward basis but initially uh i think uh we're talking uh american rescue plan act funding and uh possibly other funding i'll staff to explain that so everybody knows what we're voting on the initial 2.5

[01:51:12] million dollars will be funded and what how last staff for response thank you supervisor fast on Teresa Benincasa with the Department of Economic Initiatives yes as you indicated our action item request 2.5 million dollars in ARPA funding to initiate this program and we are working very closely with the Department of Family Services and the workforce development programs on this program and there

are plans to continue to take the lessons we learned from this program the experience the employer engagement the model and all of

[01:51:52] that elements will be be able to be transferred going forward along with I'll let Bill Browning expand on some other sustainability plans going forward after the program is lifted up and evaluate it sure hi bill browning with department of family services and just to echo what um director beckett's mentioned at our last meeting with the eic group we've identified they've identified um something north of 250 000 that could of we owe federal wioa or workforce funding that could be allocated towards work-based learning going

[01:52:31] forward as a pool to draw on and that and he also director beckett's also noted that our roi study of this and other other assets that we have will help us position us favorably for federal funding state funding or philanthropic funding so we have those kinds of acts and actions in place to to help sustain this thank you excellent uh i have nothing else thank you supervisor faust uh supervisor Smith you had a question. Yeah thank you I appreciate that you're going to be looking for

[01:53:06] other sources of revenue to help this and all the work on this. I'm just wondering you're saying it's a 15 to 18 month program what's the expectation for reporting back to the board about the success of the program or where you have any issues with it? Thank you Supervisor Smith to follow up on your question we have we do expect that early in 2024 after we have a chance to establish and do the initial engagement and try to you know establish some of these positions we should be able to do some early reporting in January February just far

[01:53:43] initial experience and then full reporting would be done you know throughout as the board requested but at the end of the program like I said we will take a complete ROI analysis and provide a complete report on the outcomes of this program thank you I think that's important especially if we get to the point that you're asking the board to put more money in this it'll be important for us to have an analysis of the program thank you thank you supervisor smith any other questions on this item if none all those in favor of the motion please say aye aye any opposed say nay

[01:54:22] any abstentions that motion carries action five is board approval of the fairfax county department of transportation's major service change disparate impact can you bring that stuff This place is making me really mad. And disproportionate burden policies for the Fairfax Connector.

[01:54:41] Supervisor Alcorn? Thank you, Madam Chair. I move approval of Action Item 5 as recommended by the County Executive. Second. You've heard the motion seconded by Supervisor Lusk. Is there discussion on the motion? Any discussion on the motion? Seen and hearing none.

[01:54:57] All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. thank you staff we appreciate your being here um action six approval of changes to the fairfax county purchasing resolution is there a motion normally i would do that but supervisor smith could you do that since i'm cheering yes i move the county executive's recommendation i'd be happy to second that is there discussion on the motion this is housekeeping resolutions um all those in

[01:55:33] favor of the motion please say aye any opposed say nay any abstentions that motion carries and action seven approval of a parking reduction for the redevelopment of the west falls church metro station site supervisor faust thank you madam chairman i move that the board of supervisors approve the parking

reduction request pursuant to subsection 6100.6 point b Prenn 1, Prenn A of the zoning ordinance based on the proximity of a mass transit facility

[01:56:07] as demonstrated in the parking study number PKS-2022-00001 subject to the conditions dated June 28, 2023 and attachment 1 of the board item.

[01:56:23] So moved. Second. You've heard the motion seconded by Supervisor Palchuk. Is there discussion on the motion? Madam Chair. Yes, Supervisor Faust. Thank you, Madam Chair. This parking reduction is based on a parking reduction study that I thought was very well done and I agree with much of the analysis.

[01:56:54] However, the initial recommendation was for a lower reduction than what we're going to approve today. And the caveat there is that there is a very large, pretty much a lot of capacity of parking in a metro parking lot at this site.

[01:57:16] And the parking study suggested that that was a justification for reducing the parking factor, reducing it even more. And to some extent, I definitely agree with that because I think there is going to be an opportunity to use that to some extent.

[01:57:38] But to finalize and make this permanent, I ask that the applicant enter into an agreement with Metro for parking spaces if they are to get the reduction they ultimately sought or they initially sought.

[01:57:55] And they were receptive to that. And so the parking reduction that we're about to approve will be reduced even further if they can get commitments for up to 120 parking spaces in that parking garage.

[01:58:14] So that's the history, and that's how we got here. Okay. Thank you. Thank you for that explanation. Is there discussion or any questions? We have a motion, and it's been properly seconded. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[01:58:30] Aye. any opposed say nay any abstentions that motion carries we are going to move on to a consideration item um it is the acceptance of the fairfax county master arts plan facilities um and you have it has been included in our board package um i like good thank you for for being here lola Is there a motion and a second on this consideration item?

[01:59:02] Supervisor Palchuk moves approval. Seconded by Supervisor Lusk and by Chairman. Is there discussion on the motion? I think we said quite a bit earlier today. And again, I want to thank Lila. I see Linda here from Arts Fairfax and all who've been involved.

[01:59:20] This was said almost half the board, I think, was not here when the planning began. It is a living document, and we know that we need the facilities and the programming to go hand in hand to be able to continue to support the ecosystem of our arts community, our vibrant and diverse arts community here in Fairfax County, and the investments, public, private, nonprofit, et cetera, to continue to grow that, and in our educational institutions, Lila and I, many of us being FCPS graduates, knowing how important it is to start access to the arts early in education, and that continued investment there in our schools and those amazing productions,

[02:00:00] including all the way to the Capi's as well. And so just wanna thank Lila for her many, many years of effort. I know we hope this plan, as well as other additional facilities will come about, but we know that, as was said, we need to continue to be nimble, understand where the development community is going.

[02:00:22] We know we will not build the majority on our own, And so I think ensuring the geographic diversity and access to the arts is critical. So thank you, Lila, and all who've worked on this for many years, and happy that we are cementing this for further work and consideration.

[02:00:42] Thank you, Supervisor Powcheck. Any other discussion? I will simply add, as the supervisor that carried the arts plank in the comprehensive plan, I don't remember how many years ago it was. I know Jerry Connolly was chairman.

[02:00:59] I'm especially pleased to see this next iteration. You know, the arts plank, interestingly, was not universally, unanimously supported by this board, or by that board. And so I'm really pleased to see that we have been able to make a lot of progress since those days.

[02:01:18] If there is no more discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries unanimously. Thank you, Lila. You need your microphone on?

[02:01:40] It is. County Executive Hill and the One Fairfax policy that he and Carla Bruce have championed, along with the board's adoption of the countywide strategic plan and that One Fairfax policy, those really were catalysts to finalizing the content of this plan.

[02:02:00] And it wouldn't be what it is without those contributions. So I just wanted to note that. Thank you, Lala. Thank you. All right. We are now reached the point in where we're going to have close, going to closed session. It was my intention, which is so far successful, not to break for lunch, but to work right on through because I think we can go through closed session, complete closed session, and still be finishing time for people to have lunch. But there are no more, there are no public hearings this afternoon. So we, when we move into closed session after the

[02:02:37] completion we'll return to the board auditorium for our cleansing motion to close the meeting and and that's just a high heads up to our Channel 16 folks that you know this is probably the time for you to go to lunch because we we will be coming back hopefully within about an hour the county attorney tells it me it's about it would take about an hour for closed session supervisor Smith you have a motion to take us into closed session thank you madam chairman I

[02:03:07] I move that the Board of Supervisors recess and go into closed session for discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 and listed in the attached agenda for this meeting. And in addition, one is permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711A1, annual evaluation of a board-appointed employee and consideration of candidates for the vacant auditor of the board position.

[02:03:34] and two is permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711A1N8, briefing regarding Board of Zoning Appeals appointments. You've heard the motion and the second. Any discussion? All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[02:03:50] Aye. Aye. Opposed, say nay. Any abstentions? That motion carries. We will convene in closed session. Let's give us about three minutes to make the transition. Thank you.

[02:06:40] Okay. we have um completed our time in closed session and so i will turn to supervisor smith for a cleansing motion to bring us back into open session uh is the chairman don't we need it he was he was in so he needs to cleanse i believe he needs to be part of this

[02:07:12] we'll we'll wait for a moment while we get the chairman reconnected yes you did oh my goal was 12 30 and it's now 12. we are trying to reconnect with the chairman

[02:12:15] for those who may be viewing uh the board at the moment we are trying to reconnect with the chairman

[02:12:21] uh who is participating remotely and we will be back in session in a moment hello all right

[02:15:47] we are back we have connected with the uh chairman again remotely and uh supervisor smith you have a motion to bring us back into open session thank you madam chairman i move that the board of supervisors certify that to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements by virtue of virginia code section 2.2-3711 and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which closed session was convened were heard discussed or considered by the board of supervisors during the closed session you've heard the motion seconded by supervisor palchek all those in favor of the

[02:16:22] motion please say aye aye any opposed say nay any abstentions and the chairman i heard the chairman also vote aye uh that motion carries uh supervisor herity you have a motion coming out of closed session also uh yeah madam chairman i move the board of supervisors authorize the filing of a a notice of participation with the State Corporation Commission in the application of Virginia Electric and Power Company for approval and certification of electronic transmission facilities case number PUR-2023-000 49 on the terms and conditions outlined by the county attorney in closed

[02:17:00] session so moved. You've heard the motion seconded by Supervisor Lusk is a discussion on the motion. Seeing and hearing none all those in favor of the motion please say aye. Aye. Any opposed say nay. Any abstentions and we did hear the chairman also vote aye remotely. That motion carries. As I noted before we went into closed session there are no public hearings scheduled for this afternoon so if there is no further discussion this brings us to the end of our board meeting of July 11th 2023 and with that our board meeting is adjourned.

