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[00:00:22] Good morning, everyone, and welcome to our board meeting of October 28, 2025, and we are going to begin our board meeting with a moment of silence to be followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, but before we do that, we do want to recognize anyone who would like to keep folks in our thoughts and prayers, and let me just begin by notifying everyone that we know that our urban search and rescue team is on hold for the moment, but will be deployed to Jamaica. 35 members of our Virginia Task Force One Urban Search and Rescue Team will be deployed to Kingston, Jamaica, to deal with Hurricane Melissa. And I think we all know this is a really

[00:01:02] scary moment, what is being predicted on an island with very little infrastructure. And so everyone is expecting widespread damage. It's forecasted that this would be the strongest hurricane to hit the island since record keeping began in 1851 and so we want to keep our Fairfax County urban search and rescue team and our thoughts and prayers their family as well as all of our fire and rescue department who backfills these stations while they're away they potentially could be away for quite a while and so we'll get regular updates from Chief Butler and Tom Arnold as that

[00:01:40] progresses but if we could keep that keep that in our minds today I would appreciate that. Secondly, while not in Fairfax County, somebody that I knew well, and I predict others on the board knew well, Supervisor Jim Holland, who represented the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors passed away

after a battle with cancer. He was 73 years old and was the longest tenured member of the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors, having served for 17 years dating back to 2008. We knew him well throughout his career because of his major contributions at

[00:02:16] the Virginia Association of Counties. He also was chair and vice chair for different periods of time of the Chesterfield County Board, an Army veteran, a certified public accountant, and I think all of us had the privilege of knowing him. He served statewide a number of roles, including the Opioid abatement board. But Jim was just a real gentleman for those of us who knew him well, a supporter of counties, always a supporter of what we were trying to do for Fairfax County at the Virginia Association of Counties as well. So if we could keep Jim, his wife of many, many years, his family

[00:02:55] as well as our colleagues in Chesterfield County in our thoughts and prayers. And then finally, Robert Youngintobe, I think a lot of us knew him, sadly passed away on October 18th, also following a battle with cancer.

[00:03:11] And Bob was executive chairman and founding partner of EYA, LLC. And obviously, we're aware of the work that EYA has done throughout the DMV area, but particularly some major projects in Fairfax County. For over 30 years, he played that role, and as I said, there are communities all over the county, first-class communities built by EYA that many of our residents live in, but he really was a pioneer in looking at new ways to build housing, build high-quality housing, but also make sure that affordability was at the forefront of so many of the projects that they worked on.

[00:03:50] And so if we could keep Bob and his family as well as his colleagues at EYA in our thoughts and prayers this morning, I would appreciate that as well. And with that, I'd be happy to recognize any other board members. Let me start on this end. Supervisor Herity. Yes, Mr. Chairman.

[00:04:06] I'm sad to share the passing of retired FCPD Officer Don Goddard on October 16th. Between Arlington County and Fairfax County, Goddard served our community as a police officer for over 40 years. He was one of the first responders at the Pentagon crash site and selflessly assisted for several days following the 9-11 attacks.

[00:04:26] Like many of our first responders who were exposed to toxic fumes, as a result of the 9-11 crash sites, Goddard was diagnosed with acute myelodal leukemia, or AML. He was known for being a force of positivity and kindness, from a career in public service to a career. To caring for his aging parents and volunteering at the local YMCA service was a part of his DNA. He will be missed. I ask that we keep his wife, Jo, and their friends and family as well as our police department family in our thoughts and prayers. Thank you, Supervisor Herity. Supervisor

[00:05:02] Alcorn. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm sad to announce the passing of centenarian Ed Bigger, who passed away at age 106. So he was one of Reston's oldest residents, if not the oldest, and really more importantly, he was an inspiration for healthy, active aging.

[00:05:25] I first met Ed at the YMCA in Reston when he was 104, and he regularly worked out at the YMCA there. He did two to three times a week strength training, And that's something most of us in double-digit ages cannot claim to do.

[00:05:46] He also lived independently at the time, but that same year, when he was 104, he moved into the Sunrise Senior Living in Raston. And why did he do that? Because he said he was tired of making his own meals. So he stayed at Sunrise.

[00:06:03] He was there for two and a half years, stayed physically active, did a lot of walking inside and outside, Sunrise, and he also, in an interview with The Connection, shared his advice for healthy aging. He said, you have to get up every day and put one foot in front of the other, but you have to do it right, because if you do it wrong, you can wind up on the ground. So I last saw Ed at the Y in August, and I pointed out that he would soon be 106 ½. And he said, you know, at my age, I don't think we celebrate

[00:06:38] half years. But he did make it to 106 ½, 106 in seven months, actually. So Ed was born in New York, moved into the D.C. area in 1935, spent 35 years working at the government printing office, and he retired as planner in charge of in-house operations. He met his wife, Lila, at the GPO, to whom he was married for 57 years.

[00:07:03] He's survived by three sons, a daughter-in-law, three grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and several nieces, nephews, and other family members. He'll be deeply missed, and I offer my condolences to his family. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn. Any others that would like to be recognized, seeing and hearing none?

[00:07:22] If all who are able could please rise for a moment of silence to be followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Face the flag.

[00:07:54] I pledge allegiance to the flag. And this morning, we have three presentations, and for each presentation, I'll announce the proclamation and invite our speaker down to the podium in front of me.

[00:08:25] We will then read it, and after our speaker's remarks, we'll pose for a picture. And first this morning, we have a resolution to recognize Cox Charities and its 2025 community grant recipients for their contributions to the community. And this was requested by myself.

[00:08:42] I am going to hand the gavel to Supervisor Smith. I'm going to read this resolution first, and then I'm going to turn the program over to Catherine Falk, our market vice president at Cox Communications. And let me start by reading the resolution first. Whereas Cox Charities grants are funded through the generous contributions of Cox employees who donate via recurring payroll deductions and one-time gifts with the grant recipients selected through a review and voting process by the employees themselves.

[00:09:13] Whereas Cox Charities works to help build a better future for the next generation by giving back, demonstrating a commitment to corporate social responsibility that has positively impacted local communities in need. And whereas these contributions have been instrumental in providing critical support, resources, and opportunities for countless individuals and families,

[00:09:35] And whereas the 2025 Cox Charities Grants recipient organizations include Cornerstones, Inc., Falls Church Education Foundation, Main Street Child Development Center, Reading is Fundamental Northern Virginia, Smart Community STEM Camp, Inc., Year Up, Inc., and Western Fairfax Christian Ministries for their exceptional community contributions.

[00:10:00] And whereas Cox's charitable efforts reflect dedication, hard work, and a commitment to utilizing resources to drive meaningful change and foster positive outcomes, now therefore be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents of Fairfax County, does hereby extend its gratitude to Cox for their generous philanthropy and commend the recipients of these charitable initiatives for their tireless efforts, dedication, and success.

[00:10:30] in harnessing their resources to make a significant and lasting impact on the lives of those they serve. I'll second that motion. Discussion on the motion, Mr. Chairman? Just very briefly, we're going to hear from Catherine Falk in a moment. I think, you know, we enjoy doing this every year because these organizations are so pivotal and vital to our community, and Cox always does a great job of picking some real champions in the community. But most importantly, I think, is that these are dollars that are raised by the Cox employees, and the Cox employees play the role

[00:11:05] in selecting the recipients of these awards. And so I want to thank, of course, Catherine Falk, Cox Communications, the employees who made these contributions, and also recognize our gratefulness to the recipients for the work that they do in our community. Thank you. Seeing no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Anyone opposed? Any abstentions?

[00:11:27] that motion carries mr chairman thank you very much and again i mentioned we have catherine falk the market vice president at cox communications no stranger to any of us we're always great grateful to have catherine with us and from that i'm going to turn the program over to her thank you so much mr chairman and board members it's such a pleasure to be here this morning to celebrate the winners of the 2025 cox charities grants and really an honor to be surrounded by such passionate community champions. At Cox we believe in the power of the community and Cox Charities is one way we put this belief into action and as you heard these grants are made possible by our employees and we focus with

[00:12:07] nonprofits in the area of youth innovation, STEAM, inclusion and opportunity and environmental sustainability. So today we are awarding seven incredible nonprofits grants. They're each receiving \$5,000 for their outstanding work. And I'd like to announce the first winner, Cornerstones, Inc., expanding food recovery and distribution through its regional food hub to fight hunger and reduce waste. And we are joined today by Margaret Cartier. Also, Falls Church Education Foundation, empowering students to lead plastic recycling efforts with innovative tools and hands-on learning. And we're joined by

[00:12:45] their executive director, Suzanne Haladke, and also Kenny George from Meridian High School. Main Street Child Development Center, preparing at-risk preschoolers for success through STEAM education and early intervention. And we're joined by their executive director, Susan Kately.

[00:13:05] Reading is Fundamental of Northern Virginia, fostering literacy by distributing free books to children across our local schools, and we're joined by their president, Sarah Bond. Smart Community STEM Camp expanded K-12 tech education through camps, clubs, and mentorship, and we're joined by CEO George Hinckley and also by Nathan Seckinger. And then Year Up, Inc., equipping young adults with job skills, internships, and career coaching to launch a successful future. And we're joined by their director of philanthropy, Jen Coleman. And finally,

[00:13:45] Western Fairfax Community Ministries, providing emergency food and housing support to families facing hardship. And we're joined by their executive director, Harmony Tadeo, and also Pamela Montesinos. I just want to say that congratulations to all the winners. You are improving the strength of the fabric of our community. And now more than ever, we all need to pull together to help our neighbors so I'd like to have the winners come down and join me for a large check and also a picture if that's all right yes absolutely and I think we have if they could all come down and face the

[00:14:22] audience the board could rise and I will join you with the resolution as well we

[00:16:57] had a small wardrobe change here look a little bit different for this next one as a clue to what's next we have a proclamation to designate November 15th 2025 is Fairfax Recycles Day in Fairfax County, and this was requested by myself and Supervisor Herity. Our speaker is Catherine Torgerson, Sustainability Chief of the Solid Waste Management Program in the Fairfax County Department of Public Works, and I know a lot of folks are here with her, so we'd invite all of those folks to come on down for this presentation, and while we are doing

[00:17:31] that, I'm going to recognize Supervisor Herity to read the proclamation. Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have a proclamation to move, whereas America Recycles Day, observed annually on November 15th, promotes mindful consumption and encourages residents to recycle responsibly with thousands of organizations nationwide educating communities on local recycling resources, and whereas this year marks the sixth anniversary of Fairfax County's Purple Can Club, established in October 2019 to address glass recycling challenges, and whereas Fairfax County residents have

[00:18:09] recycled more than 25,000 tons of glass to date through over 55 Purple Can Club containers located across the county, strengthening the circular economy, conserving natural resources, and significantly reducing landfill waste, and whereas this year's theme, imagining a zero-waste future for our communities, encourages residents to reduce, reuse, and recycle for a sustainable future. It also inspires the 2025 Truck Art Design Contest, inviting Fairfax County students to submit artwork promoting waste reduction, with winning designs to be unveiled

[00:18:44] at Fairfax Recycles Day on November 15th and displayed on collection trucks. And whereas the County Solid Waste Management Program will host a Recycling and Touch a Truck event at the Jerry Highland Government Center, offering education on proper disposal of e-waste batteries, food scraps and glass through the what goes where tool now therefore be it resolved that the fairfax county board of supervisors on behalf of all residents does hereby proclaim november 15 2025 as fairfax recycles day in fairfax county in alignment with american recycles day to highlight

[00:19:22] fairfax county commitment to waste reduction and responsible recycling and to encourage all residents to do their part to help reduce waste. So moved. With Supervisor Beerman, discussion on the motion. Supervisor Herdy. Yes. So this year, Fairfax Recycles Day coincides with the sixth anniversary of the Purple Can Club. Clean glass bottles and jars deposited by residents into the purple recycling containers are made into new glass and other materials, such as reflective

[00:19:59] strips on safety vests or roadway paint. The program is so successful, it's created a new local market for glass. Since glass in bottles and jars are 100% recyclable and can be recycled endlessly without any loss of quality, each trip a resident takes to the purple can contributes to the circular economy. And we really did kind of take a lead in establishing a new market for glass because until then, it was going in landfills.

[00:20:28] It's probably the heaviest thing that gets recycled, so recycling glass helps a lot. There have been 27,696 tons, 27,696 tons of glass from 2019 through August 2025.

[00:20:46] That's the equivalent to the weight of the Statue of Liberty, and we get \$18 a ton for the glass. In one of the latest set, but we're not stopping at glass. So in one of the newest efforts to increase recycling, the county has partnered with Helpsi, a company who works to recycle clothing.

[00:21:04] Because of the success of the pilot donation bin at the I-66 transfer station, they will be adding a collection bin to the I-95 landfill complex. Over 30 tons of textiles were recycled in just six months at I-66, so we'll look forward to that at I-95.

[00:21:23] And I just, you know, this is a chance to educate residents, and this wasn't in my talking points, but it was in the proclamation. You know, in touring these recycled fatalities, you see a lot of wish cycling, which is where people throw it into the recycle bin, hoping it gets recycled, and that really doesn't help you guys do your job at all.

[00:21:46] Well, actually, the MRF, you guys just get it there, but the MRF has to sort it. The tool that we have online really is good at letting people know what they should recycle and how. So I would recommend our residents all take a look at that.

[00:22:02] And finally, I really want to commend the Solid Waste Management Program staff on your hard work. You're out there day and night, whether it's cold, whether it's blistering sun, taking care of our trash and our recycles generated the county.

[00:22:19] So a sincere thank you for what you all do every day. Thank you, Supervisor Herity. Further discussion? Supervisor Alcorn. Yeah, thank you. Just congratulations to the team. This is really the culmination, I think, of many, many years of work that you and others before you have done.

[00:22:41] We have a lot of support from our residents for this. And, yeah, we do see a lot of wish cycling, that's for sure. But it's also, I think, one of the areas that is evolving, and I know threading the needle between where there's market demand and what consumers can and will do is tricky and kind of changing all the time.

[00:23:04] So I appreciate that personally, and I know our residents do as well. So thank you. I'm glad we're doing this. Thank you. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And I'll just acknowledge how important this initiative is and just appreciate the work that was done even in last year's program, also at the Jerry Highland Government Center in Franconia.

[00:23:26] So last year, we recycled an impressive 3,500 items, including 5,500 pounds of e-waste. And to the point that was made by Supervisor of Parity, educating residents about the full range of items that can be recycled is essential and necessary.

[00:23:44] as many are just not aware of the extent of what is recyclable materials. I'm very sure that this year's event is going to be maybe even more successful than last year. So look forward to being there, and thank you again for this very important work.

[00:24:00] Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. And let me also thank the team that's here before us and so many of the team that is not here today that's out working right now. And I think, you know, when we think about recycling, a lot of times we think about it in isolation.

[00:24:16] But, of course, it's a critical part of our overall environmental strategy here in Fairfax County. And there is wish cycling that happens, without a doubt. But the good news is the mindset of our residents is focused on sustainability and doing the right thing.

[00:24:33] And so we have to educate, constantly educate people on the right way to do that. But so many people come up to me and say, hey, we're in this to save the planet together. We're not exactly sure what that means we should do. And so I think there's still education to have happen.

[00:24:50] But this is a vital part of our overall environmental strategy. And I started this meeting announcing, you know, the serious hurricane that's coming to Jamaica. And too often we see these events across the country. And little things like recycling turn into big things in terms of addressing climate change and the work that we all have to do collectively.

[00:25:10] I also want to thank the team for getting our kids involved. One of the things that jumped out at me was the truck art design contest that's being done with our Fairfax County students. And I've got to tell you, our younger people in this county get it. They understand exactly why recycling is important and maybe even better than a lot of our other residents.

[00:25:32] They know that what we're trying to do is make sure this planet is here for them and future generations as well, and getting our kids involved at a really young age in this effort is so important. And so I know that we have a truck art design contest and that our students are submitting artwork and that those designs, winning designs, will be unveiled at the Fairfax Recycles Day on November 15th and displayed on collection trucks. So people should be on the lookout for that, just a really cool way to get multiple generations involved in this effort, but we love wearing these. We may not look as good as the people here in these

[00:26:10] every day, but we wear them because we value the important work that all of you do in Fairfax County every day, and as was mentioned, rain or shine, our team is out there doing really important work for our county residents, and we commend and thank you as much as we use this opportunity to spread the message about what our residents can do. With that, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. And I mentioned Catherine Torgerson, who's our Sustainability Chief of the Solid Waste Management Program, is here with us. Welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor

[00:26:49] Herity, Chairman, and Board Members for recognizing Fairfax Recycles Day. Whether you're doing some spring or fall cleaning, downsizing, or getting ready to move, we've all been stuck with the piles of trash that we don't know what to do with. You can try to cram it in your garbage can or pay someone to haul it away, but the Solid Waste Management Program has a better solution.

[00:27:12] Bring it to us. We can help residents save money, keep their community safe, and protect the environment. Have bags of clothes that no longer fit? You can take them to our textile recycling bins. Are you stuck with old phones, laptops, or monitors? Stop by the e-waste station.

[00:27:30] wondering what to do with some half-used bottles of pesticides or paint, or even oils. You can drop those off at our household hazardous waste area. And if you're cleaning out your kitchen, you can send broken appliances to the scrap metal pile, moldy or expired food to our organics recycling, and empty glass food jars or bottles to the Purple Can Club.

[00:27:54] If you have a bike that's no longer in use, we can take that for our Bikes for the World program. You can bring us your brush and take home some mulch for free. And if you're lucky enough to have county collection, we'll even take your curbside recycling and that small leftover bag of trash, too.

[00:28:11] We want to make it easy for residents to recycle. So unlike other places, our recycling opportunities at at least one of our facilities are open six days a week, and most of those services are free to residents. As you mentioned, we offer some really great resources, including the Waste Wizard What Goes Where guide that's on our Solid Waste website, and the Fairfax Recycles newsletter.

[00:28:37] And we partner with other county agencies to share our services with the community. We will bring some of these recycling opportunities to the Backlick Road VRE parking lot on Saturday, November 15th for a touch-a-truck and drop-off event.

[00:28:53] And in the future, we plan to offer new and expanded recycling options, including book recycling, the addition of single-use and damaged batteries, along with the rechargeable batteries that we already recycle, and more textile drop-off stations.

[00:29:09] We encourage you to remind your residents, don't trash it. First, check Solid Waste website or visit us at the I-66 transfer station and I-95 landfill complex, and we can help residents find more sustainable options to protect their community and help us meet our zero-waste goals.

[00:29:28] So thank you very much. Thank you very much, Catherine. Well done. And I think we're ready for a photo. If you all could come forward, face the audience. I see Director Harrington, County Executive Hill, have the right attire on as well. Supervisor Harrity and I will join you, and the board will rise.

[00:31:31] Finally, we have a resolution to honor Michael T. Dent in recognition of his retirement after 23 years of exceptional service to Fairfax County. And this was requested by myself and Supervisor Harrity. Before I turn this to Supervisor Herity, we, on occasion, as a board, we have a lot of people, dedicated employees in the county, who retire on a daily basis, who serve this county in exceptional ways.

[00:31:56] But on occasion, we break our own rules and bring someone to the board for special recognition. And that's what we did here today to recognize Michael Dent. And before we share a few comments, I'm going to recognize Supervisor Herity. This was requested by myself and Supervisor Herity to read the proclamation.

[00:32:15] Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have a resolution to move. Whereas Michael T. Dent has served Fairfax County with distinction since 2002 as its first chief information security officer, establishing and leading nationally recognized cybersecurity privacy and risk management program that protects one of the largest local governments in the nation.

[00:32:38] And whereas under his leadership, Fairfax County established comprehensive security standards, governance frameworks, and awareness programs to ensure confidentiality, integrity, and availability of critical county systems and services. And whereas Mr. Dent served as a founding member of Fairfax County Architectural Review Board and chaired the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Chief Information Security Officers Committee, strengthening regional collaboration and shared defense across the national capital region, and whereas prior to his county service, Mr. Dent managed information security

[00:33:16] for the Virginia Department of Corrections and honorably served in the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Regiment, the Old Guard, and whereas in 2025 he was named one of the government technology's top 25 doers, dreamers, and drivers for his leadership in advancing cybersecurity in local governments, Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents, does hereby honor Michael T. Dent for his outstanding service, leadership, and dedication and extends best wishes for a well-deserved and fulfilling retirement.

[00:33:54] So moved. Discussion on the motion, Supervisor Herity. Yes, thank you, Mr. Chairman. And, Mike, thank you for 23 years of service to Fairfax County and your service to our country as well.

[00:34:10] You've had an impressive career. When an organization has cybersecurity, their efforts fly beneath the radar and out of the news. As I like to say, one of your biggest successes is keeping yourself in Fairfax County out of the news, as many organizations have had breaches.

[00:34:32] You're quietly protecting our data and systems. We all get tested on a regular basis with phishing e-mails. You're welcome. And some people have been caught occasionally. People will remain named. Those people will remain nameless.

[00:34:49] Even though you've been quiet about it, your accolades speak for themselves. And I know we have retired or former Secretary of Information Technology for the Commonwealth of Virginia, Don Upson, here to help celebrate with you. We're very lucky to have had somebody with your talent, and I want to thank you.

[00:35:09] In one of the things that you have done, and all successful people do this, you've prepared someone to take your place when you leave, which I very much appreciate, and I'm sure the county executive appreciates as well. But thank you for those 23 years, and best wishes on your retirement, and thank you again.

[00:35:30] Thank you. Supervisor Alcorn. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I did get the opportunity for four years to chair the board's information technology committee. And one of the things I really grew to appreciate was how you created a model for, I think, a lot of our county employees.

[00:35:49] Because your expertise, you didn't just hide it under a rock or keep it here in Fairfax County. Frankly, your leadership, not only the county, but regionally and nationally, was noted. And it brought accolades, not just to you personally, but frankly, to Fairfax County.

[00:36:12] And as a board, I know we are all very appreciative of that. And thank you for your service. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'll just start by saying Michael is so deserving of this recognition from both the board and the citizens of Fairfax County.

[00:36:31] I had the pleasure of working with Michael during my career at the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, and he engaged with so many of our companies and shared his knowledge, particularly around information security and risk management. And I think those insights were the thing that helped a number of those companies make a decision to locate here in Fairfax County.

[00:36:52] So thank you for that. Additionally, Michael, as was mentioned, served as the chair of the Chief Information Security Officer's Committee for the Metropolitan Council of Governments and just appreciate his work there, serving in the chair role this year.

[00:37:09] And for over two decades, he's been a steadfast advocate for Fairfax County's commitment to cybersecurity. His initiatives have earned national acclaim, say in the gold standard, in the field. It is our responsibility now, it's our responsibility to uphold the high standards that you have established.

[00:37:31] So thank you for that. And then I'll just say congratulations on a well-earned retirement, and thank you for your unwavering service and dedication to Fairfax County. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. And let me also thank you, Mike.

[00:37:46] 23 years is a long time, especially in this area that changes, it seems like, every hour. the technology and to keep up to speed on that and also want to take advantage of this opportunity to thank your whole team um obviously uh you're the leader um and you set the the tone and the performance

measures and and your team executes and as was said here before um you know a real measure is we're not in the news and i think most county residents have no concept of the enormity of the systems that we run in this county that are protected by by mike and his team and you

[00:38:25] know just financial transactions all the things that take place every minute of every day in this county and and i think sometimes it's easy to take that for granted i have enough courage on this board to self-confess a phishing scam that i fell for all of a sudden i started getting things that that I used to sign that were hand delivered to my office, they started coming in left and right as DocuSigns for every grant application, certification, the things the chairman has to sign.

[00:38:55] And here comes the DocuSign and just click on it like normal and the next thing you know, my system goes crazy. And so it works. And I think it shows the amount of attention that must be paid and the work that Mike and his team do to make sure every county employee and everyone who interfaces electronically with the county is protected.

[00:39:16] Is it annoying sometimes? You betcha. But is it necessary? Absolutely. And lastly, I just want to say, Mike, I can't go to a NACO or VACO event where somebody there doesn't know you and somebody there doesn't come up to me and say, man, you got Mike Dent.

[00:39:33] You guys are good. And so your reputation far extends beyond this county for the work that you and your team do. And we are forever grateful for that. You have set the bar high, and you are known across this country, across this commonwealth, and certainly across this county as the expert in these issues, and we can't thank you enough.

[00:39:54] It's a very difficult, technical, hard job, but you've done it exceptionally well, and everyone in this county is grateful for that, so congratulations. With that, I think we're ready for a vote. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[00:40:10] Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries, and Mike, welcome. The floor is yours. Good morning, Chairman McKay, Supervisor Herity, and Supervisor Alcorn.

[00:40:25] We've worked many, many hours. Board of Supervisors, County Executive Hill, and my colleagues. After almost 24 years and as the longest-serving CISO in state and local government in the country, I've been given just three minutes to respond.

[00:40:44] I may extend that. So if I go a little over that time allotment, please forgive me. I've been waiting for two decades to say thank you. It's truly humbling to stand here today and reflect on my time with Fairfax County, not just as an employee, but as someone who calls this county home.

[00:41:03] I grew up here. I went to Falls Church High School. My life's journey took me many places, but it brought me right back to where it all started. To be able to serve and protect the very community that helped shape who I am is one of the greatest honors of my life.

[00:41:21] First and foremost, I want to thank County Executive Brian Hill for your leadership, your support, and your friendship. Your confidence in our cybersecurity mission gave us the foundation and authority to act decisively. You trusted us to do what needed to be done, and that trust made all the difference.

[00:41:40] To the leadership team in DIT and our partners across every agency, thank you for your collaboration and commitment. Cybersecurity isn't about one department. It's about partnership,

teamwork, and shared accountability. Together, we built a culture that values vigilance, integrity, and service to the public.

[00:42:02] To my information security office team, they're sitting up there, you are the heart of this program. Your professionalism, attention to detail, and unrelenting commitment to excellence made Fairfax County what it is today.

[00:42:18] Because of your hard work and vigilance, I'm proud to say that in all these years, we have never suffered a single cyber incident that brought us down. not one ransomware attack, not one malware infection, and not one breach.

[00:42:38] That record stands as a testament to your discipline and daily dedication to doing the job right. To our industry partners and professional networks, thank you for your collaboration, insight, and support. You helped us stay ahead of emerging threats, brought innovation into our strategy, and shared knowledge that allowed Fairfax County to lead among government peers.

[00:43:03] These relationships across public and private sectors strengthened not only our defenses, but also our confidence to lead boldly. You have been essential to our success, and I'm deeply grateful for your partnership. And finally, to my family, Maureen, my wife, Maureen, our seven children, and our 12 grandchildren.

[00:43:24] None of this would have been possible without your love, patience, and understanding. My apologies. Maureen, you've been my steady anchor through the long nights, long calls, late calls, and every challenge that came with this role.

[00:43:41] My family has always reminded me why this mission matters, to protect the people, the families, and the community that make Fairfax County such a remarkable place to serve. As I close this chapter, I do it with a full heart, grateful for the trust you've placed in me, proud of what we've built together, and confident in the leadership that will carry it forward.

[00:44:05] This county is my home, it's where I started, and it's where I was meant to serve. It has been the greatest privilege of my professional life to give back to this community and to leave it a little stronger, a little safer, and a lot more resilient than when I found it.

[00:44:22] Thank you all for your leadership, your friendship, and for allowing me the honor to serve Fairfax County. Thank you. Thank you very much, Mike.

[00:44:51] And that is the first time I've seen Mike show emotion. We know he's a real person. But we love you, Mike, and this county loves you back, and we're so grateful. And so with that, I think we're ready for a photo. And anyone who's here for this, please come on down and join us for the photos.

[00:45:11] Supervisor Herity and I will come on down. Supervisor Alcorn will join us as information and technology, and the board will rise.

[00:46:06] Thank you.

[00:47:18] Thank you. Next, we have a presentation of the History Commission Annual Report. And for that, I will recognize Gretchen Bouliva, chair of the Fairfax County History Commission, who is here with us. And I am going to turn this program over to her.

[00:47:35] Welcome. Chairman McKay, Vice Chair Smith, members of the board, thank you for the opportunity for the Fairfax County History Commission to make a presentation of the annual report today. I am very pleased to share our updates and accomplishments.

[00:47:53] As you stated, my name is Gretchen Bulba, and I'm very honored to serve as the chair of the History Commission. Standing with me today, I'm going to call my colleagues down. We should have coordinated more, sorry.

[00:48:12] Tammy Manorino. As I come down. It's very exciting. So we have with us Margo Coleman. Come on up. Sue Kobach-Schumann. These people are well known to you all.

[00:48:29] and stunts uh carmen powell toddy karns come on up you're good okay all right so uh we have an amazing group of people up here to share and our excitement the annual report covers an extended period of time january 2024 through june 25 a realignment to match the county's fiscal year the commission is now in its 56th year we advise the board and the agencies of the county about the historic properties in their care and promote education and activities to stimulate

[00:49:08] public interest in the rich history of Fairfax County. At full strength, the commission is composed of 21 members. When I began my chair in January, began my term as chair in January, we were down to a lean 12 members. Through your diligence and much appreciated work on appointments, we are now 17 strong and we look forward to welcoming more colleagues. Our three primary initiatives during this reporting period originated from board matters. They represent

[00:49:44] months, even years of work. They've all brought local history into public spaces where it can be better seen, discussed, and appreciated. The Black African American Historical Project has been a multi-agency, multi-year collaboration. In the time period of our report, four of the five student-nominated markers were installed. I'm very pleased that the final marker at Louise Archer Elementary School was installed just this last month. Each unveiling has been a cross-generational

[00:50:23] community event. Involving young people in history is one of our more challenging goals. It was very rewarding to see the impact of this project. The Franconia District Government Center community room naming gave us an opportunity to work with one of our advisory members, Phyllis Walker Ford.

[00:50:45] We were pleased to confirm the historic names of Laurel Grove, Jasper, and Walker, and to provide narratives for interpretive signage in the building. And we appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with Supervisor Lusk and his staff on this important project.

[00:51:03] Collaboration with the community was key to the evaluation of the renaming of the Community Center at Bailey's Crossroads in honor of Minnie H. Payton. We thank Supervisor Jimenez for his support and leadership on this important project.

[00:51:20] The History Commission provided the research and partnership for an associated video produced by Channel 16, Remembering Minnie Payton and the Springdale community. Our outreach this year was primarily focused on threatened historic sites in Fairfax County.

[00:51:40] We advocated through letters, testimonies, and meetings to preserve sites on the historic inventory and sites that should be on the historic inventory. The sites shown here include Bowman

Distillery, which is on the National Register, as well as the Fairfax County Inventory of Historic Sites, Dunloring Elementary School, Clifton Elementary, and the DeBell House, also known as Sunnyside.

[00:52:08] Members of the commission are dedicated to our mission. The commission meets once a month, but most operations are carried out in committees, which meet separately, adding to a significant number of work hours. The committee structure is alive and well in the history commission, I'm pleased to say.

[00:52:30] The commission established a 250th committee a few years ago to support the commemoration of the nation's 250th anniversary. Over the last year and a half, committee members have been working directly with the Fairfax 250th commission, with other history commission committees, to produce, among other things, a bound booklet of the Fairfax Resolves, which I had distributed at a previous meeting.

[00:52:55] video interviews about the continued meaning of the American Revolution, and historical content for social media. The Advocacy Committee expanded its community outreach activities at county and community events.

[00:53:11] This year, our commissioners, with support from the Fairfax 250 Commission, also staffed combined Fairfax County and Fairfax 250 tabling events at events such as Alexandria's Fairfax Resolve anniversary, Viva Vienna, and Fort Belvoir's celebration of the U.S. Army's 250th birthday. The History Commission celebrated its 20th annual conference, 20th annual, think about that, on November 2nd, 2024. The theme was

[00:53:47] The Power of Place Home, the fourth and final installment of We Are Fairfax County series. The conference registration saw 113 attendees. As part of the conference, the annual history awards were also presented to talented scholars advancing the documentation and interpretation of Fairfax County's important history. With an eye on the nation's 250th commemoration,

[00:54:18] A special conference committee has been formed, partnering with George Mason University, the Fairfax County Historical Society, the Fairfax 250 Commission. All of these groups are coming together, along with the, through the leadership of the History Commission, to pull together a conference in April of 2026.

[00:54:37] The conference is planned to take place here at the Government Center, and we have some great speakers, including student presentations, planned. So stay tuned. We're about to send out save-the-date cards. The Ethnic and Oral History Committee completed a series of interviews documenting the experience of county leaders in the late 20th century.

[00:55:03] And these videos are now available on the Channel 16 website. And as I briefly mentioned, the Oral History Committee has begun working on a video series in support of Fairfax 250 in partnership with Channel 16. The theme of the new series is, The Revolutionary War was a Revolution of Ideas.

[00:55:24] We greatly appreciate the suggestions from the Board of Supervisors for individuals to collaborate with on these interviews. The Inventory Committee oversees the Fairfax County Inventory of Historic Sites.

[00:55:44] There have been two demolitions involving inventory sites in this reporting period. The residents of John C. and Margaret White in Mason District and the Carriage House at Mount Gilead in the

Sully District. Both of these sites were under the purview of the Resident Curator Program of the Fairfax County Park Authority.

[00:56:04] Similarly, Fairfax County Public Schools plans to demolish two schools, Dunloring and Clifton Elementary, that are also on the inventory site. Though we cannot realistically prevent the demolition of every site listed on the historic inventory, the Commission's participation in the decision-making process helps to promote an awareness of what will be lost, serious consideration of alternative treatments, and, when appropriate, collaboration on mitigation

[00:56:36] plans. The History Commission approved four markers in this reporting period, and while these markers have not yet been installed, we hope that you will join us for their unveiling ceremonies. And as a side note, the History Commission also agreed to take on the responsibility for the maintenance of the five installed markers from the Black African American History Experience. It's one thing to put a marker up. You also have to maintain them. Our budget request

[00:57:09] remains \$21,013 for FY27. In FY25, we expended our operating budget plus \$24,500 the commission had accumulated in carryover funds, largely from our very limited activity during COVID.

[00:57:29] With these funds, we were able to support several amazing opportunities, including a National Register nomination for Randall Estates in the Mount Vernon District, the reprinting of the African American Historical Sites map, a very popular pickup item when we're tabling at events, a series of Civil War sketches of Centerville for the Virginia Room, and an intern position with the Park Authority's Archaeology and Collections Branch.

[00:58:00] So, looking ahead, the History Commission is working to sustain its mandated role to maintain the county's historic sites inventory. We plan to continue to advocate for the preservation of historic sites that risk demolition in the development process.

[00:58:21] We are committed to raising the visibility of the county's history and historic resources through the historic markers program, tabling at advocacy and outreach events, improving content on the commission's website, and hopefully moving towards having a social media presence.

[00:58:40] We are excited to continue our partnership and collaborations with the Board of Supervisors, county agencies, the Park Authority, the Virginia Room, and local organizations. And we are optimistic about recruiting for the commission so that we reach our capacity of 21 members.

[00:59:03] The last few months have been a period of transition for the History Commission. We owe a debt of gratitude to some longtime History Commission members who retired at the end of 24. Lynn Garvey-Hodge, Sally Lyons, Esther McCullough, and Elise Ruff-Murray.

[00:59:22] They have big shoes to fill. I'd also like to acknowledge the sad passing of Congressman Connolly in May and Judge Quandt in August. Both men regularly attended and participated in the annual history conference, and each uniquely contributed to Fairfax community of public historians.

[00:59:46] They will be greatly missed. DPD continues to support the History Commission with talented, energetic, and diplomatic support. We are grateful to our liaisons, Laura Koviklis and Stephanie Newman, and Stephanie is here to share in today's report.

[01:00:05] I'd like to just close with thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve the people of Fairfax County. We look forward to continuing our work in FY26 and beyond. And I'm happy to take any questions.

And pending the questions, I have my team of experts behind me. Thank you.

[01:00:28] Well said. Thank you, Gretchen. Thank you for all of your hard work. Thank you to all of the Commission members and staff, as you just mentioned, for what is always an outstanding report. And I think for all of us, looking back on how much it's been accomplished, we don't do that enough.

[01:00:44] And if you look back at the number of things-- and I know all of us have attended various events across the county that you all played a vital role in, and we certainly appreciate that tremendously. And so let me ask if any of my colleagues have any questions or comments. Supervisor Alcorn.

[01:01:00] Thank you. Let me just build on the thanks from the chairman for you and the whole commission, everything that you've done. I just want to make a couple of comments. First of all, on the Bowman Distillery, thank you for flagging that.

[01:01:18] It's kind of just fallen down. And that is something I've been working on as well in conjunction with some proposed development in the immediate area. So I haven't given up on that one yet.

[01:01:35] But in particular, you mentioned the Louise Archer historical marker as the last one. That was a phenomenal ceremony. That really was something that underscored to me how important history is in the development of community today.

[01:01:57] You know, one of the things a lot of us work on is development of community and focus on that. And it's not really a science. It's a little bit more of an art than a science sometimes. But what I think I learned from the Louise Archer event was that once folks understand some key elements of the community history, people can relate to it in a completely different way.

[01:02:28] And some of those things actually become part of what people talk about and people relate to and even part of a community identity. So, you know, the power of these facts, the history of, you know, Louise Archer, basically when Fairfax County had segregated schools and she drove in from D.C. every morning.

[01:02:55] And guess what? She was the bus for those students because there was no bus service. You know, stories like that, people of all ages, including, as you mentioned, our younger people, they understand that. It's like, oh, got it. You know, that is something so happy that all the work that you do helps us understand our history and really helps us relate to others in the community that we wouldn't have if you weren't doing everything you were.

[01:03:27] So thank you very much. And I'm not going to ask you any hard questions. Thank you for those kind words. And we really are so passionate about local history. We have an amazing county, a big county, and there's a lot of work to be done.

[01:03:44] Thank you. Those most local stories many times are the most important ones. And we will, if people do have hard questions, they're welcome to also send those to Gretchen and get a formal reply to as well, Supervisor Stork, and then we're going to work our way this direction.

[01:04:01] Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and I want to thank, obviously, the History Commission for all your work in so many different areas, but I'll start with the 250th, the semi-quincentennial. We are off the ground. We're moving forward. We're looking forward to, I think, a fantastic year of engagement with the community in lots of different ways with our mobile van and bringing that really to the individual parts of our county I think is a great way to celebrate and hopefully reinforce and remind people that we didn't

start off perfect, that maybe we were a more perfect union, but we know that we've had a lot of work along the way to get that even better, and we're still making progress on that, I know.

[01:04:41] And then the other thing I want to mention, I particularly wanted to call out Tammy Manorino, whose work on Fort Belvoir has been just exceptional. And I know most of you know that. I think most of the board has a good sense of that. I don't think the, I'll say this, I'm saying this teasingly, but I don't think DOD or Fort Belvoir knew what hit them when Tammy got involved with making sure that we got history right, you know, and we didn't just, you know, say things that, you know, While they maybe on surface seemed to be accurate, as you dug down deeper, they weren't.

[01:05:18] And to me, that's the core of what the History Commission can do for us is keep us all centered. You know, people make up things. That's the reality of it. And facts do matter. And not only facts, in my mind, at least in this country, historically have been important.

[01:05:35] And I'm committed to that. I know you all are as well. So let's keep our focus there. Thank you. Thank you. And if I could just follow up. Commissioner Manorino continues to stay engaged with Fort Belvoir, and that is truly extraordinary. Well said, yes. We're not doing it.

[01:05:50] Yes. Very well. Thank you. Absolutely. She can get through the gate easy now. They know her so well. Supervisor Pouching. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you so much and to the entire team. I was thinking this morning about we got to chat for a minute with Commissioner Manorino know, and how I think neither of us really enjoyed history when it was just about dates and wars and objects, right?

[01:06:16] And so when we dug in, I and culture anthropology and oral history, and you as well, I think fell in love with the oral history because history is about people, right, and about who we are today and having a better understanding of how we got here. To me, the Black African American History Project, which has been an incredible multi-year project with multiple agencies, with our schools, with our neighborhood community services, now gone through many staff, I think, in almost all of our agencies, my office included, I think is an incredible moment to see. It's not just about the markers, right, but it's about the process. It's

[01:06:55] about empowering our kids to be the historians, to take on the history, to get excited about that history and to help us better know our history in the community. So I do hope that we, number one, send us what it takes to do the maintenance.

[01:07:12] And I think it'd be interesting to think about how we support that as a community as well and create work around that for our youth. I would love to figure out how we do that. I also want to thank you all. Your input on the Dunloring School helped work with the architects.

[01:07:33] The Architectural Review Board has created a way that I think is going to be beautiful if and when-- that happens to really preserve the vital components of that building and to ensure, again, that more of us know and understand that history, that it's not just objects, but it is a complete history of the land, of the building, and of where it got to where it is.

[01:07:58] So very much appreciate your work on that. And then finally, I know we started some conversations as well this morning about our passions for oral history. So I've tasked some of your commissioners with more information and work on that, because I think that the piece about the oral history, as I'm going to say commissioner, but Supervisor Altborn, shared to me really is, and I am one of those people who loves community.

[01:08:27] That's why I like Mr. Dent. I've come back and want to serve the community that raised me. And I think the more that we're able to understand our history, to share it, and to get more of those stories before we lose some of those oral histories of those who have these stories that haven't been shared yet.

[01:08:46] So I think the more we continue to do that through our libraries that are doing incredible work, through our neighborhood community services, I think that's sort of the excitement I have for the next phase of our history work and our oral history work that's really kicking off to a bigger level with a semi-sequentennial.

[01:09:06] I think I got it right. And so thank you for that leadership, and please, I look forward to continuing to work with your – I have the best, but you have many, many amazing commissioners. And thank you, Sue, for your excellent dedication to our county. And thank you, Gretchen.

[01:09:22] Thank you. Thank you. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'll go quickly. I just wanted to first thank the commission for the work in helping us on the interpretive panels. We're looking forward to placing those in the conference rooms. And I just want to say the anticipated timeline is sometime this winter. I'm looking at the county executive because I'm not sure yet, but we're going to have a date soon. I'd love to have you be there so you can see us actually placing those in their respective conference rooms. So thank you so very much for doing that. And then second, I want to thank Ms. Carnes. She's been a gracious host to me

[01:09:59] coming to Historic Huntley, helping me understand kind of the history of that facility and the importance of it here in our district. So I look forward to spending some time with you later this fall. We do that once a year. So again, appreciate all the work that you're doing, the importance of it. The markers are, as Supervisor Alcorn said, just amazing to be a part of the unveilings and just recognize that shared history, that collective history is so important for us to all know and understand. So thank you so very much.

[01:10:34] Thank you, Supervisor Jimenez. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm being last here. Obviously, there's been lots said, all very true. But I just want to say thank you for your work or time, because you are putting your time into this and a lot of time thank you for volunteering thank you for being part of such important work and a special thanks to um miss coleman miss margo coleman for all the hard work that's been done in mason district and with the mini h payton center i know how much uh how much time you've invested in that and obviously you know not only was it a success but what was great was seeing young people there it was folks from all different age groups i think that that really

[01:11:14] It shows that the community is invested and wants to work on these issues. And again, thank you so much. Thank you, Supervisor Jimenez. And I want to pick up on that point because I think it's important. All the History Commission events I've been to, markers, et cetera, certainly the Black African American Historic Marker Program, the kids are phenomenal.

[01:11:35] The History Commission is phenomenal. But to see the kids engaged in wanting to learn more, do better, and present history in their own communities has just been fantastic. And I know you mentioned, Gretchen, that they're a big part of the April conference next year, and I think all of us are looking forward to that.

[01:11:55] It's kind of the big one, but having our young people involved is so important. I also want to thank you for the 24-page report because it is so well done, concise to the point, easy for any resident to

read and to understand.

[01:12:12] So really, really well done on that front. And also for the transitions piece, because I think it's important for us not only to recognize those who are transitioning off the commission, but also those who were not technically on the commission but played a major role in protecting and enhancing our history.

[01:12:30] And I know they would all be I know they all are honored for that recognition. But it's a really important thing to do. As you mentioned, there's some folks there who have been serving this county for a long, long time. They are part of our history and have played a major role in helping to protect it.

[01:12:46] So I want to thank you for recognizing them as well and keep up the good work. I know there's a lot going on right now and a lot that's going to be coming forward over the next year. And so I know all of us want to work with you closely to make sure that we fill the vacancies, as you mentioned, that are on the History Commission.

[01:13:08] There's a ton of people out in this county that would be honored to serve. It's just a matter of finding them. And so we all will go to work on that and work closely with you to make sure we can fill those vacancies. With the amount of things you have coming up over the next year, I think it's going to be important to do that.

[01:13:26] So you have our commitment to that. So thank you very much for the presentation today. And thank you for the commissioners who are here and all those who are not. And then finally-- and I should have mentioned this earlier-- In the awards and recognition section of this-- and I know Supervisor Stork shares this with me-- how glad I was to see Glenn Fatzinger get the Lifetime Achievement Award.

[01:13:50] Those of us who know Glenn personally have known him for many, many decades. He is walking history, literally, of Fairfax County and has given so much. So you could not have picked a better person for the Lifetime Achievement Award. I'm not sure how that was voted on, but well done.

[01:14:08] And Glenn has done amazing work here, not just in Mount Vernon District, but really throughout Fairfax County. And I have provoked Supervisor Stork. You reminded me what I should have already mentioned, which I feel bad that I didn't, but I also wanted to highlight one of the key things that he's done is put together the Mount Vernon History Commission.

[01:14:29] That's not exactly their formal title, but they meet regularly. And anybody who really wants to know what's happened in the Mount Vernon area, you go to it, because there's always some insight about how this came about or how it didn't, frankly. I mean, there's just lots of information, and that's just a great, great way to get connected.

[01:14:49] So thank you, Mr. Chairman, for highlighting Glenn's role and continuing role and keeping us all grounded in the history of Fairfax County and Mount Vernon. Absolutely. Thank you, Dan. And Gretchen, unless there's any final comments, we say thank you to all of you for another year of great progress, and we're here to help support you in the year ahead.

[01:15:11] I'll just conclude with thank you. Thank you for your support. We appreciate everything you're doing to help us be successful as well. Thanks. Definitely. Thank you all. Appreciate it. And with that, we are going to move on to our next agenda item, which is appointments to boards, authorities, commissions, and advisory groups. And I am going to hand the gavel over to Supervisor Smith for a motion. Thank you,

Mr. Chairman. I move approval of the appointments to board's authorities and commissions in the document dated October 28, 2025. And the chair will

[01:15:48] second that motion. Is there discussion on the motion? As Supervisor Smith said, this is October 28, 2025. Everyone should have a paper copy in front of them. If there's no questions or any votes that would be requested separately, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposition? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. And that takes us to our next agenda item, which is board matters. And as we always do, these have been compiled digitally, circulated to the board. We will go by district following myself

[01:16:23] and Vice Chairman Smith. And I first have to turn the gavel over to Supervisor Smith. I do have a couple of board matters. First, I move to approve without objection the proclamation request listed in this document to be presented inside or outside of the boardroom as appropriate, and that is a proclamation to recognize National Adopt-a-Senior Pet Month, a proclamation jointly with Supervisor Lust to recognize Military Family Appreciation Month in November, another one with Supervisor Lust to recognize Hunger and Homelessness Week, November 16th through 22nd, proclamation

[01:16:59] to recognize GIS Day in Fairfax County on November 19th, and finally, a proclamation to recognize Kim Chi Day on November 22nd. Without objection, it's so ordered. Thank you. And my next board item is Small Business Saturday, which is observed annually on the Saturday after Thanksgiving as a nationwide movement that celebrates and supports small businesses for the vital role they play in strengthening our local economy and fostering a sense of community. Small businesses are the backbone of our economy, driving job creation, innovation, and local investment. Here in Fairfax

[01:17:34] County, we're proud that small businesses make up approximately 92 percent of our business community. From family-owned shops and local artisans to innovative startups, these enterprises not only contribute to our economic growth, but also help define the unique character and success of our neighborhoods. Due to the uncertainty surrounding federal policies that continue to have a profound effect on our local economy, many of our small businesses and residents are feeling the strain. Over the past year, federal layoffs and contract cancellations have already taken a toll, and now the shutdown is further squeezing family budgets across Fairfax County.

[01:18:12] Now more than ever, we need to stand with our small businesses, support them, and fight to ensure they have the resources they need to weather these challenges and continue serving our community. Every purchase we make from a local business strengthens our neighborhoods, and invest in our community here. Residents are encouraged to explore and shop through our Made in Fairfax initiative, featuring more than 150 local makers and vendors listed in the online directory. By buying locally, we're investing in our neighbors, our workforce, and our shared prosperity. Now, therefore, I move that the Office of Public Affairs promote

[01:18:50] small business Saturdays on the county's official social media channels and websites to encourage public participation, that the Department of Economic Initiatives collaborates with local chambers of commerce and business organizations to amplify awareness and participation through Small Business Saturday during the holiday season, celebrate Fairfax and visit Fairfax to promote this on their website and communications platforms, and all of our board offices to promote Small Business Saturdays in their newsletter and social media accounts.

[01:19:20] I'll second that motion with Supervisor Stork. Any discussion on the motion? I just will say we had our chambers here at our last meeting. We talked about the importance of supporting our small and local businesses. And it seems like each day that goes by, their challenges get even larger.

[01:19:37] As we know, less money in the pockets of our residents because of what's happening at the federal level means less money going into our small local businesses. And to that end, I want to thank Supervisor Jimenez for his Mason events over the past week where we got to go out and dine in some of Mason District's small family-owned restaurants.

[01:20:00] And the more of that we can do in promoting our small businesses, especially during these challenge times, is important. And so we need to step up. We would do this regularly, talk about this initiative. But this year, I think all of us need to be talking about it more than ever to help those that are out there struggling.

[01:20:18] So I'd appreciate my colleagues' support. Thank you. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Anyone opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Mr. Chairman. Thank you very much, Supervisor Smith. And that is the end of my board matters. And next up is Supervisor Smith.

[01:20:34] I have no board matters. Thank you. Thank you very much. And I have none submitted on behalf of Braddock District. So next up is Supervisor Bierman. Mr. Chairman, no board matters, but happy Halloween. Enjoy the candy. Stay safe out there. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Beerman.

[01:20:50] None of us will report how much of that candy we enjoyed, but we all will enjoy it. With a five-year-old, I'll be enjoying more than he will. And as the Kingstown Fire Station used to annually remind me on their sign-out front that November 1st is National Steal Your Children's Candy Day for all the adults out there, I miss that message annually. It's not up there this year.

[01:21:12] We're going to need to reach out and get that fixed. Next up is Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I appreciate that chuckle there. So Kay Hovnavian at Mount Vernon Gateway, LLC, the applicant, will soon submit a rezoning application, a concurrent profit condition amendment application of approximately 7.5 acres, representing a consolidation of 15 parcels previously rezoned to the PDH-30 district as part of a development known as Mount Vernon Gateway.

[01:21:42] Mount Vernon Gateway was approved in 2005, and I can say, Mr. Chairman, I was your planning commissioner at that time. But this portion of the project has not been constructed. The applicant proposes a rezoning of the remainder of the site from PDH 30 district to the PDH 20 district to permit 66 townhomes and 78 stacked townhomes.

[01:22:05] The applications will propose the inclusion of right-of-way previously dedicated and known as Rolling Hills Avenue. This portion of Rolling Hills Avenue may no longer be necessary for roadway purposes. Since the Board of Supervisors owns the right-of-way associated with Rolling Hills Avenue, the applicant is requesting Board's concurrence in filing of the applicable applications.

[01:22:30] Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move the Board of Supervisors consent to the inclusion of right-of-way previously dedicated for Rolling Hills Avenue to be included in the Mount Vernon Gateway applications to authorize the county executive and or his designee to act as agents of the board in conjunction with these applications subject to the execution of an amendment indemnifying the board as to any proper conditions associated with the zoning applications.

[01:23:01] The inclusion of this right-of-way in the zoning application in no way relieves the applicant of the requirement to process a vacation and or abandonment request. This motion must not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the Board, nor does it relieve the applicant from compliance with the provisions of all applicable ordinances, regulations, and adopted standards.

[01:23:28] In addition, this consent does not imply county support for these applications, does not dictate to the staff that the applications should be approved, nor should it prejudice staff's review of the applications. So move, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. I'll second that motion. Any discussion on the motion?

[01:23:45] Seeing none, all those in favor say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstention? That motion carries. Good. Supervisor Luss. Thank you very much, Madam Vice Chairman. The federal government shutdowns continue, entering its 28th day today, leading to severe financial hardship for many Franconia District residents and residents all through the region, and further damaging the already difficult environment for federal workers throughout the region. Last week, the United Community, in partnership with county staff, the Capital Area Food Bank, and others in our area,

[01:24:20] played an instrumental role in helping to meet the employment and food needs of Franconia District residents and the broader community. So on Wednesday, October 12th, United Community, in partnership with the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, hosted a job fair and career expo at the Workforce Innovation Skills Hub, also known as the WISH, located in the Hyba Valley area of Franconia District.

[01:24:44] Over 15 area employers from both the public and private sectors were present to discuss employment opportunities with the community at the job fair. I want to thank Inova Hospital, Shirley Contracting, Inc., Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, Navy Federal Credit Union, ADECO, and Anchor Remodeling were among those employers present.

[01:25:05] It was timely and a well-attended event. And then on Friday, October 24th, the United Community and the Capital Area Food Bank worked together to provide a food distribution event to support our furloughed federal workers.

[01:25:20] This distribution provided over 300 families with more than 600 boxes of food. These boxes consisted of produce and nutritious meals, ensuring that our community's furloughed workers had access to healthy food. In total, over 1,000 people were served.

[01:25:39] I want to take a moment to thank everyone who chipped in and made a difference with both successful events held last week. First, I'd like to thank United Community, the Capillary Food Bank, our local employers, including our own Fairfax County agencies.

[01:25:55] The staff and volunteers at all and all the participant organizations are the cornerstones who make our community better. I'd also like to send a special thank you to Congressman Beyer for donating his time at the food distribution, and thank you to every person who has generously donated to these organizations.

[01:26:15] With that, thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. First, I'd ask the clerk to record me as an affirmative vote in the last board matter on Mount Vernon Gateway, and I want to thank Supervisor Lusk for the last board matter. And for my colleagues who weren't aware, and this is kind of special, United Community, who was mentioned, was named the Goals for Good Charity of the Year

with the Washington Capitals, which means for every goal that the Washington Capitals score, Burke and Herbert Bank will donate \$100 to United Community throughout this season.

[01:26:49] So this could be pretty large. So if you're not already a Washington Capitals fan, and you should be, this is even more reason to be. And so this is a real honor for one of our nonprofits that is serving more people than ever right now because of the trying times that Supervisor Lush just announced.

[01:27:06] So thank you. Next up is Supervisor Alcorn. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have a couple board matters and then a couple announcements. First of all, Reston Community Center preference poll. So as we do from time to time, the Reston Community Center has completed the annual preference poll election for its Board of Governors.

[01:27:28] The following individuals were elected to serve three-year terms on their board. Paul Thomas, Beverly Cosham, and Shane Ziegler. The poll is an annual community event held to guide the selection of members to serve on the RCC's Board of Governors, which was established by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, without objection, I ask that the board appoint Paul Thomas, Beverly Cosham, and Shane Ziegler to serve on the Reston Community Center's Board of Governors in time to be seated at their next board meeting on November 3rd.

[01:27:59] And without objection, that is so ordered, Supervisor Alcorn. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. TriPoint Homes DC Metro, Inc. is currently processing a series of applications identified as PCA 2018-HM-020, FDPA 2018-HM-020-003, and FDPA 2018-HM-020-002.

[01:28:25] Collectively, the applications propose 143 residential units comprising both traditional and back-to-back townhomes on approximately 8.94 acres, approximately, located in the northern portion of the Isaac Newton Square office park, specifically blocks W2, N1, and N3 of Isaac Newton Square on property identified as portions of Fairfax County tax map, parcels 17-4, double circle 5, 3W2, 3N1, and 7N2, at least part of that last one. This proposal represents a significant an opportunity to complete the northern phase of the long-planned Isaac Newton Square project.

[01:29:05] TriPoint Homes is anxious to pursue construction as soon as possible on the project and accordingly seeks concurrent processing of all pending applications. Therefore, and this will not be an objection, this will be a regular motion, at the request of TriPoint Homes, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors direct land development services to accept a site plan and any of the site records that may be necessary for concurrent and simultaneous processing

[01:29:31] with pending applications PCA 2018-HM-020, FDPA 2018-HM-020-003, and FDPA 2018-HM-020-002. This motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the Board on the proposed application since it does not relieve TriPoint Homes from compliance with the provisions of applicable ordinances, regulations, or adopted standards in any way, but I would so move.

[01:29:59] I'm happy to second that, along with Supervisor Lusk. Discussion on the motion? Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Alcorn.

[01:30:14] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. A couple of announcements here. First of all, last week, Arts Fairfax honored local champions of the arts. I know several of us were there. That was for their of 2025 awards. And artist and educator Marco Rando was recognized with the Education Award.

[01:30:30] And I just wanted to extend my congratulations to him on this well-deserved honor. I know I was happy to be there. As I mentioned, several of us I know were. And Marco's done just some great things I want to expound on just a little bit.

[01:30:48] He's pretty well known in the Reston community. His works include the Wooden House Sculpture, which is a recreation of Gonzalo Fonseca's original at the Lake Anne Village Center. So he grew up in Reston.

[01:31:04] He's done so much to facilitate public art through Reston. And of course, as was noted at the awards, he's an art teacher at South Lakes High School. And he's been running and organizing the South Lakes STEAM Team, something that he got going together in collaboration with Public Art Reston and also the Reston Association.

[01:31:28] So each year the STEAM team does provide-- guide students in designing and creating large-scale public artwork, which has been installed on the Lake Thoreau Spillway in Reston. So anyway, congratulations to Marco on this outstanding recognition.

[01:31:45] And I can't wait to see what's next for him. And another announcement, and I had handed out these photos related to this one that I sent around. As we, in Fairfax County, as we incorporate sustainable and energy-efficient technologies in our own buildings, we're also seeing a lot of things going on in homes.

[01:32:10] And I wanted to recognize and congratulate Vienna and Hunter Mill District resident Susan Stillman for her net zero home. That's what these photos are of. So her house recently earned a 2025 James M. Scott Exceptional Design Award, receiving a merit award for that.

[01:32:32] And she's gotten some other awards as well. But her home really does not just design, but demonstrates commitment to sustainability. And it's incorporated in the architecture. It incorporates and builds on the natural features of the property.

[01:32:51] And also, it doesn't compromise on aesthetics or functionality, which is quite amazing. As far as I'm aware, this is the first net zero home, at least in the town of Vienna. There are some more that are under construction.

[01:33:10] And it's not only a good thing to do sustainably, but also it achieves approximately 75% lower energy use than the average single-family home. So it's got rooftop solar, and it has an electric vehicle charger, and so she's paying less than \$9 per month for electricity with all that.

[01:33:35] So she also has received awards. She received the 2025 Design Award from the American Institute of Architects, Virginia, which is a pretty serious thing, recognizing clear examples of thoughtful and engaging design.

[01:33:51] And on Thursday, Stillman, along with the other exceptional design awards recipients, will be recognized here in the boardroom at 5 p.m., and I hope there will be a good number of folks joining that ceremony. So I do want to thank the judges and county planning staff, including Marcia Collins, for their work on this annual awards program, which was established by the Board of Supervisors.

[01:34:13] The Exceptional Design Awards recognize superior works of architecture, outstanding site design, and landscaping in green building practices, and this is a great example. So thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. And one last thing. I know we have scheduled. We've got the policy plan amendments coming up on November 18th.

[01:34:31] And I know some of us are trying to fit in public outreach efforts. I'm working on getting a public meeting in Hunter Mill. I've been trying to coordinate with staff. I know the Planning Commission is doing a lot of work on that. Certainly, hopefully, we'll be able to fit all the outreach in before we get to that.

[01:34:52] But if it does get deferred, I certainly wouldn't be too upset. But in the meantime, we'll try to make sure we get the word out and get everybody a chance to provide input. So thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn. Supervisor Jimenez. Mr. Chairman, I have one board matter.

[01:35:09] Before I get started, I just want to say thank you to you, Mr. Chairman, again, for coming out to Restaurant Week in Mason District and helping celebrate our local business owners. To Supervisor Bierman and his staff, who all traveled to Mason District to Eat a Flavor Hive.

[01:35:25] We had a wonderful time. To our county executive, Mr. Hill, for also coming out to help celebrate and put a spotlight on small business owners. So thank you all for that. And with that, Mr. Chairman, I have one board matter. Mr. Chairman, SJS and W Washington Property LLC is the owner of approximately 20 acres located at 6805 Industrial Drive and identified in the Fairfax County Tax Assessment Records as Tax Map Parcel 80-2130.

[01:35:58] The subject property is zoned to the I-6 district and improved with the St. James Sports and Wellness Complex at 429,735 square feet, two-story indoor commercial recreational use.

[01:36:13] The applicant proposed to add 20,370 square feet to the St. James for an FAR of 0.5166 on the subject property. The proposal necessitates a special exemption to exceed the permitted limit of 0.5 FAR on the subject property.

[01:36:33] The proposed project will allow the St. James to expand its existing St. James Academy sports and academic program by adding classrooms and sports training areas to accommodate additional student-athletes. The additional floor area and increase in enrollment will be implemented in three phases.

[01:36:52] The applicant intends to complete construction of Phase 1 of the proposal in time to enroll new student-athletes at the St. James Academy for the 2026 and 2027 school year. The applicant is eager to begin the development process and has requested consideration of concurrent and simultaneous processing.

[01:37:10] Therefore, I move that the Board directs staff to authorize concurrent and simultaneous processing of a site plan, architectural drawings, and any other drawings as may be necessary in conjunction with SE 2025-MA-00035.

[01:37:27] This motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the Board on the proposed application and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with provisions of any applicable ordinances, regulations, or adopted standards. And the Chair will second that. A lot of people seconded that. Any discussion on the motion?

[01:37:48] Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Jimenez. That is all I have for today. Thank you. Thank you very much. Supervisor Stork. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I don't have any written board matters, but I have several verbal ones.

[01:38:07] And I want to start with introducing Cynthia Rosales. Cynthia, if you could stand up, please. Thank you. Cynthia Rosales is a Fairfax County native with a background in administrative coordination and operations. Over the past few years, she's focused on helping teams stay organized and supported and enjoyed creating systems that make day-to-day operations run smoothly.

[01:38:29] Cynthia is a Lee Lewis High School alumni, and when she isn't working, she enjoys being outside in our parks. Fairbanks County programs and initiatives have had a meaningful impact on her throughout her life, so working in this office is a special opportunity.

[01:38:46] Cynthia is excited to learn from and work alongside our constituents and our remarkable team as she takes on her new role as office and events manager for our office. So Cynthia, welcome. All right, I have a few more to go through.

[01:39:07] I know many of you have had announcements about annual holiday food drives, and I just wanted to make mine as well. We are collecting gift cards and healthy canned or non-perishable food items to support Mount Vernon High School students and their families for the holiday. You can drop off your donations in the designated bin outside my office at the Mount Vernon Governmental Center through December 5th.

[01:39:29] And you can also, we're collecting similar donations at the Mount Vernon Rec Center, and as part of this we are having a welcome back and welcome back is truly a celebration the rec center was closed for almost two and a half years as we really totally redid it it's an amazing facility the celebration which the chairman is going to join us and i invite all of you to join us as well is saturday november 15th from 10 a.m to 2 p.m and we encourage you all to come out and enjoy this fun free event with us as well as bring some donation items so thank you and hopefully

[01:40:07] you'll join us for that it should be a true celebratory event uh and i also have to thank the chairman um we had our tour to mount vernon this past saturday and and he was dressed to to the nines in terms of riding and he he in fact i think he completed the course in record time but i think you had a few stops on the way with with the many other people who said hello to you and And the nature of the ride, if you will, is greeting and connecting with the community.

[01:40:34] And I think we all went by a No Kings protest at the Stone Bridge, which is a famous bridge on the Parkway in Fairbanks County in Mount Vernon District. And a lot of folks out there, that was a lot of fun to see all of them as well. And, Dan, that was a tremendous event.

[01:40:52] I mean, I just thank you and your team. And, I mean, I know there were a lot of partners that helped, but I don't, as I said that morning, I don't think people realize, Supervisor Alcorn realizes, but I don't think many people realize how hard these are to coordinate and put on. And the weather was brilliant, the perfect day for riding.

[01:41:10] We got the parts of the county I think a lot of people hadn't been to before. So just widespread positive comments from folks really well done. I couldn't have said it better myself, and it tied in a little bit to FAB, Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling.

[01:41:27] They're 20th anniversary. This is our 10th anniversary of the ride, and I saw Supervisor Alcorn there, and I was there to truly thank them for their advocacy for 20 years plus. I mean, most of us know individuals who have been particularly passionate.

[01:41:43] Jeff Anderson in particular is one that I met early on in my school board career, and has, but so many, many other people. Jeff Gogler, particularly in Mount Vernon District, has been a huge part of our ride every year. Again, a lot of incredible partners, including, I have to thank Heather Johnson and Stephen Pitts from Woodlawn and Pope Lady House.

[01:42:02] They were our starting and ending location. Fairbanks County Police Department were everywhere. They were at every major intersection. They truly made it a remarkably and an importantly safe ride. FC Dot was there and a key part of our planning and making this happen. handy bikes. Pete is there almost all the time helping folks with that. The chamber, Mount Vernon, Springfield Chamber of Commerce, Mark Vianney and Holly Doherty were there, as well as La Prima, State Farm, Capital Trails Coalition, Friends of the Mount Vernon Trail, as well as Team NVD. And we had Cassie Donne, who was really the ride event planner, ride driver, and really made for an

[01:42:42] exceptional event. Camila Speer, Christine Morin, Peyton Smith, Diego Rodriguez Cabrera, as well as Angelique Renaldi. So my whole team was there and did a great, great job. We also had another celebration last Friday, October 24th, Arts Fairfax. Anybody who knows Tim Reiser knows how generous and truly exceptional community member he has been for all of us. He got the philanthropy award for his really truly unwavering commitment to the Workhouse Arts Center.

[01:43:15] I'm not sure how well that the Workhouse would be without Tim Reiser. I mean he has been that exceptional, that crucial, that core of a foundational member of the community and the not-for-profit board that's helped to drive that. So again I don't think we can say enough about Tim's work and and frankly Barbara too, his wife, their work together in really promoting and ensuring that we had an amazing Workhouse Arts Center that keeps growing and I think keeps getting stronger and better.

[01:43:50] I also need to mention that you all might remember a couple weeks ago at Davis Industries when we were at the table here, there was a major fire and I wanted to make sure that I thanked not only Fairfax County Fire and Rescue but the police department because it was an amazingly difficult, Route 1, if you can imagine, was closed for more than six hours in both directions during rush hour so just just and i don't know how many they had so many different departments that were responding on the fire department with all the different kinds of equipment they needed the individual that was particularly hurt that was in the crane is looks like he's going to be okay but he's he's had a struggle getting through that and we had firefighters

[01:44:30] who were injured as part of that process so it was just really one of those extraordinary events And, Mr. Kim, you kicked it off with just what we do in Fairbanks County, the kind of technical skills and abilities that we have that are second to none. And we saw that on display at Davis Industries.

[01:44:48] The last item I have is one that I really don't want to do and one that has been painful to even think about doing. But for those of you who know my office and the key things that have helped to make and drive the success of my office, know that there's some key individuals that have had that and made that happen.

[01:45:12] And one of those individuals is right behind me, Kamala Spear. If you could stand up, please, and have a resolution that I want to do. And hopefully the board will support me in this. Whereas Kamala Spears devoted the past 20 years of her professional life to serving the residents of Fairfax County with energy, passion, and steadfast commitment to improving the community she loves.

[01:45:39] And whereas she started as an instructional assistant in Fairfax County Public Schools, supporting preschool and autistic students, and then as marketing director at the Workhouse Arts Center, where she revitalized marketing, built partnerships, and enhanced community impact and sustainability.

[01:45:55] And whereas at the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, she led public engagement and media relations, ensuring residents across Northern Virginia were informed and involved in critical transportation initiatives.

[01:46:07] And whereas since 2017, Ms. Speer has served in the office of Mount Vernon District Supervisor Dan Stork first as communications director and environmental liaison, modernizing outreach and launching the district website, creating the Fairfax Green Initiative, which was a major environmental initiative that this board and the community has really benefited from, and the Mount Vernon Environment Expo, and advancing efforts towards county carbon neutrality by 2050.

[01:46:37] And whereas now Deputy Chief of Staff, she continues to lead with creativity, professionalism, mentorship, and deep commitment to the Mount Vernon and Lorton communities, along with a spirit of adventure and travel that enriches her work and inspires those around her.

[01:46:55] And whereas she helped establish the Potomac Bank's branding initiative, coordinated public art installations, and launched cultural programming at the Commons Mount Vernon to bring professional theater and tourism to this new community hub. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents, does hereby recognize Kamala Spear with profound appreciation for 20 years of exemplary service, leadership, and dedication to Fairfax County and the Mount Vernon District.

[01:47:26] I will second that for discussion on the motion. Let me just say, Christine said if we don't vote for it, she might stay. Just saying. Discussion, Supervisor Stork. For those of you who know Kamala, she has been planning to move to Portugal, has been planning to move to Portugal for years, I think is probably accurate.

[01:47:53] And anybody who knows Kamala knows how well she plans, organizes, and why this long list of achievements were possible. Plans and executes. And executes. So we can't stop her. So she is on her way there and looking to live there for a good while.

[01:48:10] You know, time will tell, but it's something that, you know, it's one of those passions that most of us have about what do we want to do and where are we going to go. And she's got that figured out, and she's going to live that dream. And we're hoping that she's going to continue to give us some support because we need it for a few items.

[01:48:26] But the core of her time will be really enjoying her life, frankly. That's great. With her husband and wife. That sounds so good. Yeah, I know. Any further discussion?

[01:48:43] I'll just say I knew Kamala before she came to Mount Vernon and her transportation circles and has been making a difference in this community for a long time, so we're definitely going to miss you. We'd always welcome you back with open arms, but certainly going to miss you here at the dais.

[01:48:59] I know in Supervisor Stork's office, but thank you for all you've done. As the resolution mentions, everything from schools to transportation to serving the people of Mount Vernon District, We appreciate it. If there's no further discussion, all those reluctantly in favor, please say aye.

[01:49:17] Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And we do want to get a photo. So we are going to, if the board could rise, we will go down. Supervisor Stork and I will go down here in front of the dais with Kamala.

[01:49:32] And if the board could rise so that we could get a picture. Mr. Chairman, my staff is. Yeah, please. I know I would have already.

[01:49:44] Next up is Supervisor Palcic.

[01:51:07] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And before I go, Kamala, we will miss you. One of the greatest moments of my life was walking the Camino Santiago and then going to Porto. Next fall. I'm hopping on a plane. Anytime.

[01:51:24] Before I read my one board matter, I do want to, first of all, also mention today we were honoring Perfection Recycling Day. And just a few, last Monday, my staff got a chance to go visit the Nomenkol water recycling plants.

[01:51:41] And we don't always think about how important and what incredible work they are doing at the plant. Because it's not in my district, we had not had a chance to go in person. And especially now to see the new UV light process that is infected at the end.

[01:51:59] And even though we can't officially, you know, sell the water as potable, I got a chance to taste the end product. And it really is incredible. It reminded me of my hiking days using the UV light at the end. And just the work that's being done there.

[01:52:16] And, you know, it really, I mean, as you know, it is one of the most advanced plants in the nation, probably worldwide. And I do – reaching out to the chairman for us to, I think, honor Water Quality Day moving forward, it's so, so critical that we take for granted too often.

[01:52:35] And then December 6th, they're holding their open house. So I know they're doing their own marketing for it, but I think as much as we can help support it, we're trying to see if we can organize some shuttles down there and work with OPA to help push it out. I believe it's their second annual open house.

[01:52:52] On December 6th, you can get your ticket now. And just an incredible experience. The number of scientists, engineers, the whole process. You can see from beginning through each portion all the way to the end, and not to mention the IT and energy required.

[01:53:10] And so it really, to me, is a marvel of modern engineering, how far we've come. And so just highly recommend it to anyone who has not been there yet. My team really enjoyed that and want to thank the staff. I also want to thank Northern Virginia Association of Realtors, Arts Fairfax, and NCS, who have helped us coordinate the first portion of the Jim Scott Community Center Outdoor Arts Garden.

[01:53:39] We now have the first portion. There's a mural coming. But if you have a chance to swing by Jim Scott, the outdoor space is beautiful. there is painting on the trees. My daughter was a big fan of painting dots. Anyone could participate and just appreciate all of the art and the work and the support for NVAR on that.

[01:54:01] Finally, before my board matter is it was a virtual ribbon cutting, but the Route 50 multi-use sidewalk trail projects are now complete. I want to thank FCDOTMV teams who have helped make that happen. We'll be working on some kind of probably smaller spring events, multimodal trail use to show

how we start to connect some of these older, very multimodal areas that were not built for pedestrians and are very slowly and painfully going through that process.

[01:54:33] So just very much appreciate that staff that worked on that and the FCDOT communications team for helping us put that virtual ribbon cutting together. And then finally, my one written board matter is an authorization for a comp plan amendment for Merrifield Land Subunit G2.

[01:54:54] Members of the board, the adopted comprehensive plan for the Merrifield Suburban Center includes recommendations for Land Subunit G2 that limit the number of drive-thru facilities to four, one for a bank, one for a car service station, and two for restaurants. In 2018, the Board approved SCA 95-P-008 to allow the conversion of the former drive-thru financial institution to a drive-thru restaurant use, which has since become the Starbucks located at 3046 Gatehouse Plaza, Tax Map 49-3, double parentheses, 142.

[01:55:31] A, the property owner has requested consideration of a comprehensive plan amendment and special exception amendment to allow an additional drive-through facility and to reintroduce a financial institution to the property. The addition of this plan amendment to the work program was coordinated with staff and with my office, and I want to add that the concerns around transportation were viewed in light of this. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors authorize staff to consider a comprehensive plan amendment to review the recommendations for land subunit G2 of the Merrifield Suburban Center to allow for an

[01:56:09] additional drive-thru use at 3058 Gatehouse Plaza, Tax Map 49-3, double parentheses 1, 142A. That this plan amendment be added to the Comprehensive Plan Amendment Work Program as a Tier 2 item and processed concurrently with a special exception amendment application. This motion should not be construed as a favorable recommendation by the Board or the Planning Commission on the proposed amendment, or the associated special exception amendment, and does not relieve the applicant from compliance with all applicable ordinances, regulations, and adopted standards.

[01:56:44] And Chair will second that. Is there discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries, and is that all? That's all, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Pouchek, Supervisor Herity. Yes, Mr. Chairman. I'll do one quick unwritten one, and then I've got an upward matter.

[01:57:04] People have been highlighting their efforts to fill our food banks. We have an ECHO collection bin at our office. We're highlighting, for those of you that have voting locations at your office might consider, bring canned food as you come to vote, if you're coming to the office anyway.

[01:57:22] Check your cabinets and bring the canned food. But it is filling up quickly, so our residents are responding. So with that, I've got a quick board matter. As we look towards a difficult FY 2027 budget, we should consider every way we can to improve cost-effectiveness of our services.

[01:57:43] During my recent meeting with the Park Authority, it came to my attention, county mowing contracts are negotiated and maintained separately from FCPA mowing contracts. While different property types require different types of care, there may be efficiencies from holistically evaluating the mowing needs of all county properties.

[01:58:00] We should consider if there are cost savings that can be realized by consolidating these contracts as well as any contracts in other county-funded properties that require mowing. Therefore, I move without objection the board direct the county executive facilitate a discussion between our FMD,

Facilities Management Department, and the Fairfax County Park Authority to evaluate any efficiencies from consolidating our mowing contracts along with other properties that the county is responsible for mowing.

[01:58:30] It's without objection, it's so ordered, but discussion is Supervisor Alcorn, and I'm just going to look, before I turn to Supervisor Alcorn, I'm just going to say I know the county executive real-time is doing this all the time, looking for efficiencies, as we know, and I just had a meeting with the Park Authority director and chair last week to go over some of the things they're looking at.

[01:58:53] They did not bring this up in that meeting, but certainly we know the county executive and our team are working on budget efficiencies every minute of every day. So without objection, we'll add this to the list. Supervisor Alcorn. Yeah, I don't have any objection to the county executive looking at this, but I think perhaps the bigger issue is actually the school system and the park authority.

[01:59:16] And there's a discussion going on, I understand, with the Joint Committee on School Facilities. So I was just going to ask anybody that's in that process. Okay, thank you. Supervisor Bierman. I'll just say I support having this discussion.

[01:59:33] I support having that discussion. I support having lots of discussions. But I definitely support this one, and we will talk about that. And opportunities for operational efficiencies, sorry, lots of words, at the Joint Facilities Committee meeting on Thursday.

[01:59:50] And just to be clear, and I know I've been clear about this repeatedly, It will be clear in the mission statement, but the purpose of that particular committee is cost, savings, and efficiency. That is it. That is all. Cost, savings, and efficiency.

[02:00:05] It is not about expanding the CIP. It is not about coming back with a report asking for more revenue, more bonding capacity. It is explicit that it is for efficiencies and cost savings. And so I just want to say that again because other things have been said out there about it, but folks should read the board matter when the group was constituted.

[02:00:27] We'll read the mission statement of the group at their first meeting, and what this board adopted was very specifically narrowly focused on efficiencies and cost savings, and their timeline is tight. So that's another reason why we want them to make sure they stay on message and stay on the task that the board approved.

[02:00:49] Supervisor Herity. No, thank you for the school piece, because I wanted to include it in here, but I hadn't had a chance to check with them yet. But I did check with FMD and Parks. I brought it up. Parks didn't. I think it's something we should look at, and I verified it hadn't been looked at yet.

[02:01:04] So I think we need to be thinking about things where we can do this, and I look forward to what you guys are going to come up with at the joint meeting, hopefully. Okay. Any further discussion? It was already without objection.

[02:01:20] So, ordered Supervisor Herity. That's it for me, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. That's all. Thank you. With that, we are going to move on to our admin items. And let me ask Supervisor Smith, do you have a motion to approve admin items 1 through 13? I move approval of admin items 1 through 13.

[02:01:36] And the chair will second that. Let me ask board members if there are any admin items board members have questions about or would like to have voted on separately. Seeing and hearing none. All

those in favor of Admin Items 1 through 13, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed?

[02:01:53] Any abstentions? And that motion carries. That takes us to action items, of which we have one, approval and authorization to donate vehicle to Occoquan Police Department. And let me ask Supervisor Lush, Chair of our Public Safety Committee, if you have a motion.

[02:02:11] Yes, Mr. Chairman, I move the county executive's recommendation. The Chair will second that. Is there any discussion on the motion any discussion seeing and hearing none all those in favor of action item one please say aye aye any opposed any abstentions that motion carries and we have one information item the board does not vote on this but we do bring it forward for the board members information and if anyone has any questions but this is the county holiday schedule for calendar year 2026, which has been vetted by staff to be accurate.

[02:02:47] And let me ask if there are any questions or comments on this information item. Seeing and hearing none. We then will move on to closed session. But let me ask before I turn to Supervisor Smith for a motion, let me ask the county attorney how long we need for closed session.

[02:03:04] Mr. Chairman, I estimate approximately one hour. one hour, which means we need to be, if the board, let's see, if Supervisor Smith's motion passes, the board will report back to closed session at 2.30, 2.30 p.m. With that, let me recognize Supervisor Smith. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. 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

[02:03:38] in addition, as permitted by Virginia Code section 2.2-3711A8, legal analysis of the following, existing agreement with volunteer fire and rescue departments and massage establishment regulations. You've heard the motion.

[02:03:54] The chair will second that. Discussion on the motion? Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. all those in favor of the motion please say aye aye any opposed any abstentions that motion carries and it is now 11:42 so the board will break report back to

[02:04:13] closed session promptly at 2:30 p.m. all right the board is back from closed

[02:15:53] session and there are no let me first turn to supervisor Smith to make a motion to bring us out of closed session mr. chairman I move that the 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.

[02:16:23] And I'm going to second that motion, and I'm also going to take advantage of this opportunity to share that Supervisor Palchek, who was here with us this morning, is not feeling well and left the meeting early. And in addition to that, Supervisor Palchuk did not participate in the closed session, which just occurred.

[02:16:41] If there's no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. And that brings us to our public hearings. And just a few reminders for folks. Individuals wishing to provide testimony have a number of options.

[02:16:58] They can testify here in person, or they can provide testimony by phone or by YouTube video. At the designated point in the public hearing, I will call for any speakers from the speakers list, and they will either come forward or their video will be shown, or they will be connected by telephone. There will then be an opportunity for anyone else present who would like to speak on the matter to come down to the podium, or for anyone who would like to call in, to call in at 703-324-1020.

[02:17:27] Speakers testifying by video must have signed up and submitted their video no later than 9 a.m. on the day prior to the hearing. For public testimony, you are given three minutes to speak as an individual. If you are a spokesperson for a group, you are given five minutes.

[02:17:41] With that, I'm going to call our first public hearing, which is a public hearing on PCA 2003-HM-046-04, CDPA 2003-HM-046-002, Union Investment Real Estate GmbH Corporation in the Drainsville District, and could we please have the applicant reaffirm the affidavit?

[02:18:07] Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. Bob Brandt with the law firm of Walsh Colucci on behalf of the applicant. Happy to reaffirm the affidavit, which is dated October 7th, 2025. Thank you very much. Are there any disclosures from board members? Disclosures from board members. Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize county staff for a staff presentation.

[02:18:26] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm Kevin McMahon with the Department of Planning and Development. The 6.78-acre site is zoned PDC and located on the north side of Woodland View Drive, west of the intersection of Woodland View and Monroe Street.

[02:18:44] The site is bounded by the Dulles Airport Access Road to the north, office uses to the west, and to the east on Lot 3A is the Woodland Community Sports Park. Development to the south includes single-family attached townhomes and multifamily buildings.

[02:19:02] The property is currently developed with an approximately 195,000-square-foot, six-story office building, which will remain, and a four-level above-grade parking garage. Both of these structures were constructed in 2008. The applicant is proposing to remove the existing parking structure and replace it with a two-story office building with two levels of below-grade parking containing 283 parking spaces and with 275 surface parking spaces for a total of 523 spaces on site.

[02:19:37] The existing office building and plaza in the front would remain with no changes proposed. Site improvements include an additional vehicular entrance on Woodland View Drive to provide access to the parking and loading of the new office building. Pedestrian improvements include a new 8-foot-wide sidewalk along most of Woodland View Drive frontage and two new crosswalks at the Woodland Point Avenue and Woodland Gap Terrace intersections.

[02:20:07] I apologize. Staff recently received revised proffers yesterday, which were provided to the board. The revisions sought to address the escrow amount for the LEED Silver Certification and the extension of the sidewalk to the Western Property Line, which were specifically identified by the Planning Commission.

[02:20:26] This concludes my presentation. Thank you very much. At this time, we welcome an applicant's presentation. Thank you again, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. Bob Brandt on behalf of the applicant. I'll dispense with a formal presentation. I will want to thank Mr. McMahon, Ms. Tai, and everybody at staff that worked with us on this application process.

[02:20:47] Very excited to be here with what amounts to an exceptional economic development opportunity for the Dranesville District and for Fairfax County. This new office building that's being proposed is a future location for Paraton, a Reston-based company that's looking to expand its footprint here in Fairfax County.

[02:21:06] The approximately 90,000 square feet of office that we'll be adding to the county's commercial tax base is a major benefit, as is keeping the 600 or so jobs that Paraton will have here in the building. The existing building, as Mr. McMahon mentioned, was constructed in 2008.

[02:21:23] It's in excellent condition. So Paraton will be occupying the existing building in addition to the approximately 90,000 square feet that it's building to the east of it in place of that existing parking garage. We have worked very closely with staff throughout this application process, very pleased to have staff's recommendation of approval, as well as the planning commission's last week.

[02:21:45] As Mr. McMahon mentioned, we have submitted revised proffers in response to the two items the planning commission asked us to address. The first being the increase of the green building from \$1 to \$2 per square foot, and the second being bolstering our commitments for the extension of that future sidewalk, a portion of which is going to be provided by the applicant.

[02:22:05] We're very mindful of the importance of that sidewalk in terms of establishing increased pedestrian connectivity throughout Woodland Park East and throughout this area. And so that's something that the applicant was happy to include in its most recent proper submissions. At the end of the day, I think we would all agree that adding office to Woodland Park East is a major benefit.

[02:22:26] It's going to replace some of the office square footage that's been eroded over the years as this area has transitioned into largely a residential community. But restoring that office square footage, improving the mix of uses in Woodland Park East is a major benefit.

[02:22:41] So with that, I'll conclude. Request your favorable consideration, and I'm happy to answer any questions that you have. Thank you very much for that. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant? Any questions of staff or the applicant? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing.

[02:22:57] I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter. Is there anyone here present in the auditorium that would like to testify? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to speak on this matter? Seeing and hearing none, let me ask the clerk if we have any callers. There are no callers.

[02:23:13] No callers. Assume the applicant waives rebuttal. Closing comments and a recommendation from county staff. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On October 22, 2025, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the requested PCA and CDP applications and the requested modification, Subject to the execution of proffers consistent with those now dated October 27, 2025.

[02:23:38] And staff concurs with these recommendations. Thank you. Thank you very much. Last check, questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Beerman for a motion. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors approve PCA 2003-HM-046-04 and CDPA 2003-HM-046-002,

[02:24:08] subject to the executed proffers dated October 27, 2025, and approval of the requested modification of subsection 5100.2.8A2 of the zoning ordinance to allow commercial buildings within 75

feet of the Dulles Airport Access Road to that shown on the CDPA slash FDPA.

[02:24:41] And I'm happy to second that, along with a lot of folks. Discussion on the motion. Supervisor Beerman. I'm very excited about this one. As you heard, 600 jobs staying right here in Fairfax County, and, of course, the best district in Fairfax County, the Drainsell District.

[02:24:59] I drive by this building often. Seeing that there is lots of office space for lease, keeping this building as an office building is a huge economic boon for us. I'm excited to see a proposal that retains commercial office space.

[02:25:16] I also will note that this proposal does not add any new intensity to the site. I'm thankful for the unanimous Planning Commission recommendation. It might have gotten a little dicey there for a second. I was worried it was going to be deferred.

[02:25:33] That would have been a huge, huge mistake. I am extremely happy to see this moving forward today and that it moved forward with some degree of speed. Huge kudos to our planning staff on this application.

[02:25:48] It was submitted March 3, 2025, and the Planning Commission hearing October 22. That's 33 weeks and two days. So thank you, thank you, thank you. Of course, you know what I'm going to say next. Next time, do it in a few fewer weeks. We've got to keep moving faster.

[02:26:04] This is great stuff, though. I thank the applicant for working with the Planning Commission and getting these comments done within one week. I'm happy about the new crosswalks that are happening here, the non-residential contribution to our housing trust fund in line with the comprehensive plan, \$200,000 towards transportation improvements in the vicinity, electric vehicle charging stations.

[02:26:32] I have to thank Bob Brandt, the agent for the applicant. You did a great job. And then NDPD staff, Kevin McMahon, Marianne Tsai, Tracy Strunk, Mark Dreyfuss, Nina Emot. Brian Hill, thank you for your work on this. Billy, thank you. As always, Billy O'Donnell. Lots of thanks around.

[02:26:50] Thank you, Alyssa Bachelakazi, my planning commissioner, for getting this done. This is the type of stuff that we have talked about wanting more of in Fairfax County, wanting more businesses to continue to stay here, to operate here, and to be a part of our community.

[02:27:06] So thank you with that, and hopefully I've made the case and we'll get a unanimous vote here in a second. Thank you, Supervisor Behrman, and this is a great opportunity, so I was going to thank a lot of the same folks you thanked. I won't do that again, but I will specifically thank the county executive and the applicant.

[02:27:25] I know meetings on this began a while ago, and here we are at the finish line, and everything we can do to protect jobs, especially in this environment, is important, and to do that in a timely manner. So thank you, Supervisor Beerman, for your work on this. It's a good application.

[02:27:41] If there's no further discussion, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Next, we have a public hearing on SE 2023-SU-00009, New Life Christian Church in the Sully District.

[02:28:03] And as soon as they are ready, if we could please have the applicant reaffirm the affidavit. Good afternoon. Sarah Mariska here on behalf of the applicant, and I do reaffirm the affidavit August 14, 2025. Thank you very much.

[02:28:18] Are there any disclosures from board members? Any disclosures from board members? seeing and hearing none, as soon as they are ready, we would welcome a staff presentation. Hi, my name is Ciara Downing from the Department of Planning and Development.

[02:28:41] The applicant, New Life Christian Church, is requesting a special exception to construct a permanent outdoor commercial recreational athletic field with an eight-foot-tall fence. The subject property is located on the west side of Route 66, north of its intersection with George Carter Way in the Sully District, currently existing as a church, zoned I-3 and I-5, spread across 10.68 acres. The property is made up of two parcels, the smaller parcel being the one that the SE is being filed on in part. The larger parcel is developed with a warehouse that

[02:29:17] the church converted to religious assembly use as a matter of right. In 2013, they received a special permit for indoor commercial recreation for the adjacent property. After the approval of the special permit, the church consolidated the two parcels. The subject property is currently vacant.

[02:29:35] The zoning ordinance permits athletic fields as a matter of right for a period of five years, provided the use meets specific standards identified in the zoning ordinance. With this application, the church requests that the fields be allowed on a permanent basis and further proposes to install an 8-foot fence around the fields and 20 feet of containment netting as well as field lighting. The containment netting extends from ground level to a maximum height of 20 feet so that 12 feet of netting is visible over the 8-foot fence. Six 50-foot fixtures are also

[02:30:10] proposed. Parking is proposed on site and additional parking would be available on the adjacent property which is owned and managed by the applicant. No changes are proposed to the Existing indoor commercial recreation use on the adjacent property. Outdoor commercial recreation hours will be weekdays 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., weekends 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

[02:30:34] Staff finds the proposal to be in harmony with the comprehensive plan and in conformance with the zoning ordinance. Thank you. That concludes my presentation. Thank you very much. At this time, we'd welcome an applicant's presentation. Good afternoon. I'll be very brief.

[02:30:51] New Life has operated a church within what used to be the Budweiser Warehouse along Lee Road, and they have also established an indoor commercial recreation use that has been very successful both for the church and for the larger community. They've developed partnerships with Springfield Youth Association, Chantilly Youth Association, and building off the success of that facility are carrying it forward to these outdoor fields that would be provided at the expense of the church, but really offered as a community serving use to the surrounding community with the intent that it would be flexible, could accommodate a number of different sports from soccer to flag football to lacrosse, depending on the size of the children

[02:31:31] and the type of the sport being played. So we're really excited to expand the community use that the church has established in this area. Staff's recommending approval, as is the Soli District Clean Use Committee. I'm happy to answer any questions you all might have about this.

[02:31:46] Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant? Not seeing or hearing any, so thank you. This is a public hearing. I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter. Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this subject? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify?

[02:32:05] Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask the clerk if we have any callers. There are no callers. No callers. Assume the applicant waives rebuttal, closing comments, and a recommendation from county staff. On September 17, 2025, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the application subject to the development conditions dated September 4, 2025.

[02:32:28] Staff concurs with those recommendations. Thank you very much. Questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Vice Chairman Smith for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I request that the applicant confirm for the record their agreement to the development conditions dated September 4, 2025.

[02:32:49] We're in agreement with those conditions. Thank you. I move that the Board of Supervisors approve SE 2023-SU-00009, subject to the development conditions dated September 4, 2025.

[02:33:05] You've heard the motion. It's been seconded by Supervisor Herity. Any discussion on the motion? Supervisor Smith. Just briefly, I know the Church has been wanting to get this done for a while. It's going to be really exciting to have outside use here, and the church does a great job with community use in their church.

[02:33:22] So thank you, and thank you to Ciara for all your work on this. Thank you. Thank you very much, Supervisor Smith. If there's no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Thank you. Next, we have a public hearing on SE 2025-SU-00003.

[02:33:46] RUA, Sedan, Virginia, Inc. in the Sully District, and as soon as they are ready, could we please have the applicant reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon. I'm Jessica Washington with the law firm Wash Colucci, and I reaffirmed the affidavit dated August 6, 2025.

[02:34:03] Thank you very much. Are there any disclosures from board members? Any disclosures from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I'll now recognize staff for a staff presentation. All right. Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board.

[02:34:19] I'm Carlos Shumate with the Department of Planning and Development. The applicant requests a special exception to create Royal Bazaar, a specialty grocery store primarily focusing on Indian food within the one-story low-rise office building outlined here, right off Route 50 on Lafayette Drive. The extent of the special exception application is highlighted in blue. This parcel is split I-3 and I-4 with the smaller portion that will be the warehouse zoned I-3 at 2,229 square feet and the rest being I-4 at 13,050 square feet. It will feature a

[02:34:56] standard grocery store layout with retail space for product shelves, display areas, coolers and freezers, but also a spot for hot foods, while the rest of the space, approximately 30%, will be an accessory warehouse to store food and goods. The applicant does not propose any exterior modifications to the building or existing screening, buffering, or landscaping, but will install a small loading dock in the southeastern corner of the subject property. Overall, staff finds proposed changes to be in performance with the zoning ordinance and in harmony with the comprehensive plan. Thank you very much. If the applicant would like to give a presentation,

[02:35:32] not required, but if you'd like to, we'd welcome that. I just want to thank the board for hearing application this afternoon and thank staff for their review. It's been a pleasure working with them and Mr. Shumate's done a great job. So great that I have nothing else to add other than that the applicant is excited

to bring this to Fairfax County and I'm happy to answer any questions you may have. Great. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant? Any questions of staff or the applicant seeing and hearing none? I do not have any speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter, but this is a public hearing. Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this subject? This is a public hearing. Anyone who

[02:36:07] would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask the clerk if we have any callers. There are no callers. There are no callers. Soon the applicant waives rebuttal. Closing comments on a recommendation from county staff. On September 17th, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the application subject to development conditions dated September 4th, 2025. Staff concurs with those recommendations. Thank you. Questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Vice Chair Smith for a motion. Thank you.

[02:36:39] Mr. Chairman, I request that the applicant confirm for the record their agreement to the development conditions dated September 4, 2025. Thank you. I move that the Board of Supervisors approve SE 2025-SU-00003, subject to the development conditions dated September 4, 2025.

[02:37:02] I also move that the Board of Supervisors approve the requested modifications to allow an increase in the maximum gross floor area that may be devoted to retail sales, display area, and accessory office space in the I-4 district from 60% to 70%.

[02:37:17] You've heard the motion. It's been seconded by Supervisor Alcorn. the chair seconds that. Is there any discussion on the motion? I just want to thank Daniel for his, I mean, Carl for his work on this. Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Smith. If there's no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions?

[02:37:37] That motion carries. Thank you. And I understand our next case is going to be deferred, but I'm I'm going to go ahead and call it, which is a public hearing on PCA-86-C-119-09, PRCA-86-C-119-03, DPA-86-C-119-05, RZPA-2024-HM-00019, Boston Properties Limited Partnership in the 100 Mill District, Supervisor Alcorn.

[02:38:09] Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and hopefully there's nobody here to speak to this. Good. I'm not seeing anybody raise their hand. Ah, Rob is here. Well, I'll talk to Rob after I make this motion. So there was a problem with the affidavit on this case, and so this public hearing is, well, if the board approves my motion, will be deferred.

[02:38:33] So I move that the Board of Supervisors defer the public hearing for PCA 86-C-119-09, DPA 86-C-119-05, and PRCA 86-C-119-03 to November 18, 2025.

[02:38:54] And the chair will second that motion. Discussion on the motion. There's no discussion on the motion. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And it's not 4 o'clock. Yes, I know.

[02:39:12] So we are five minutes ahead of schedule, and I cannot call our 4 o'clock case until we reach 4 o'clock. So the board will take a five-minute recess.

[02:44:55] All right. We are back to handle our 4 o'clock cases, and I am going to call our first one, which is a public hearing, on proposed amendments to Chapter 101, Subdivision Ordinance, and Chapter 112.2,

Zoning Ordinance of the Code of the County of Fairfax Code regarding Platt, Site Plan, and Subdivision Plan review times and processing.

[02:45:17] And at this time, we would recognize a county staff presentation. Good afternoon, Chairman McKay and members of the board. I'm Jerry Stormfield with Land Development Services. Also with me today is Kirsten Muntz, Director of Site Development Inspections Division.

[02:45:34] your consideration this afternoon a proposed amendments to the subdivision and zoning ordinances to incorporate changes made during the 2025 General Assembly session to sections sorry 15.2 - 2259 of the Code of Virginia these changes reduce the plan review time that the county has when reviewing site and subdivision plans and creates a new I'm going to call it director level review

[02:46:06] when the county is to disapprove the plan on the third resubmission or what we wouldn't normally call fourth submission of the plan that the director level or equivalent supervisor over the person reviewing the plan has to make a decision of either disapprove the plan with the comments allow the applicant to review revise the plan and then gives another seven days for the county to

[02:46:40] review those changed plans or approve the plan without issuing the actual comments the proposed amendments also include other editorial changes changing shall to must that type of thing the amendments are described and included in the staff report dated September 9th, 2025. That concludes my presentation. We're here for any questions. Thank you for that. Are there any questions of staff? Any questions of staff?

[02:47:19] Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing. I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter. Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this subject? Anyone present who would like to testify? This is a public hearing. Seeing and hearing no one. Let me ask the clerk if we have any callers. There are no callers. No callers. Any closing comments or further recommendation from staff? Yes. On October 8th, the Planning Commission voted to recommend the Board to adopt the proposed amendments and set forth in a staff report dated September 9th.

[02:47:50] Staff concurred with that recommendation. Thank you very much. Any questions from Board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Vice Chairman Smith for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board of Supervisors adopt the amendments to Chapter 101, Subdivision Ordinance, and Chapter 112.2, Zoning Ordinance, is set forth in the staff report dated September 9, 2025.

[02:48:15] And I further move that the amendments become effective at 12.01 a.m. on October 29, 2025. And I'm happy to second that motion. Is there any discussion on the motion? I just want to thank Jerry and staff for all their work on this. It's bringing us in compliance with law, so thank you very much.

[02:48:32] It is, and I would add that I confirm that LDS is already meeting these shorter timelines in practice, and we appreciate that because the speed here is of essence, so thank you for that. With that, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye.

[02:48:48] Any opposition? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. I mentioned earlier Supervisor Palachuk had to leave early because she's ill. Supervisor Alcorn had to leave the board meeting early, so just want to make a note of that.

[02:49:02] All right, our next public hearing is a public hearing on the acquisition of certain land rights necessary for the construction of requests for condemnation authority for the Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit, BHBRT, I'm sorry, RHBRT, Project 2G40-162-004 in the Franconia District and the Mount Vernon District, and as soon as they are ready, we recognize county staff for a staff presentation.

[02:49:31] Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, members of the board.

[02:50:06] My name is Clyde Monaghan, and I'm a senior right-of-way agent with the Land Acquisition Division of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. I'm the Land Acquisition Division agent that has been assisting in oversight of the acquisition of land rights for the Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit Project.

[02:50:23] The Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit Project is based on recommendations from a Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation study. The Fairfax County Department of Transportation has been working with residents, community stakeholders, and partner agencies to plan, design, and construct a bus rapid transit BRT system for the Richmond Highway Corridor.

[02:50:45] Public outreach consisted of mailings, public information meetings in person and virtual, along with focus meetings with several groups and individuals along the corridor. This outreach was ongoing for approximately three to four years prior to the start of the acquisition phase.

[02:51:00] The goal of the BRT system is to increase transit ridership along the corridor and help implement the county's future Embark Comprehensive Plan. The system is planned to extend along Richmond Highway Route 1 and North Kings Highway from Fort Belvoir to the Huntington Metro Rail Station in two sections.

[02:51:21] The improvements constructed as part of the project will provide an upgraded roadway cross-section for Richmond Highway, including a new bicycle and pedestrian facilities along the corridor and a dedicated transitway for the BRT system. The county is responsible for the Section 1 of the project, which extends along North Kings Highway from the Huntington Metro Rail Station to Richmond Highway and along Richmond Highway South to Sherwood Hall Lane.

[02:51:46] There are approximately 224 affected parcels along this section. Acquisitions on Section 2 will be completed by VDOT as part of a separate road widening project that will include the median reservations for the BRT. To better manage the overall acquisition process, land rights for these improvements have been split into groups.

[02:52:06] The focus on this hearing is the first critical zone required for the start of utility relocations. Current project schedules require that property rights be acquired in this zone by the end of 2025. This will allow the prompt start of utility relocations in early 2026.

[02:52:23] delays to the start of utility relocations will affect overall project construction and deliverance the team has currently acquired land rights on 39 affected parcel this includes 32 whole parcel acquisitions ongoing activities include the removal of structures on acquired properties the demolition of 12 structures along the county portion have already been completed during this phase fcdot has partnered with multiple agencies across fairfax county to ensure an efficient safe and community focused process the building design and construction division bdcd has played a key role on administering contracts and overseeing the day-to-day activities

[02:53:02] of the demolition contractor while implementing a recycling program for materials when feasible fcdot has also partnered with fairfax county fire and rescue department and the fairfax county police departments to provide access to several of the acquired properties for live training exercises including live fire scenarios that offered firefighters valuable hands-on experience in realistic conditions. To maintain site security, FCDOT works closely with the Department of Emergency Management and Security, which conducts weekly inspections of county-owned vacant properties and maintains ongoing coordination with the Facilities and Management Department,

[02:53:39] FMD, to ensure that all county-owned properties are secured and maintained in accordance with county standards both before and after demolition. These partnerships reflect FCBOT's strong commitment to collaboration, safety, and responsible stewardship throughout every stage of this project. Initially, this hearing was to cover 39 parcels, but we will be removing a number of parcels due to achieving settlements on multiple properties, and one will be removed due to a recommendation to have the affected property reappraised. The parcels to be removed will be eliminated from the resolution. Although acquisitions are

[02:54:16] ongoing, we're here today to ask permission to finalize the acquisitions on 34 properties, a majority of which have been in the acquisition phase since early 2024. Authorization is necessary in order to reach a conclusion to the negotiations. Finalizing these acquisitions now is necessary due to overall project scheduling requirements. Adherence to this schedule will ensure not only the prompt start of the utility relocation phase, but it also will prevent delays to the overall construction schedule. The next five slides shows the parcels that are part of this resolution.

[02:54:52] Negotiations have been ongoing since mid to late 2024. The majority of these properties are considered partial acquisition or easement only, meaning that only strips of land rates along the highway frontage will be affected by the acquisitions. Settlements have not been reached with these properties due to multiple reasons, including questions about the impacts to parking and signage, as well as counter offers that we were unable to approve due to lack of justifications necessary to meet not only county requirements, but also federal transit authority requirements.

[02:55:24] It is important to recognize that negotiations will continue if this action is approved. The team will continue to meet with all remaining affected owners and their representatives to work towards amicable settlements. We would also mention that settlements are in process on multiple properties, and we're optimistic that final settlements will be reached prior to filing the certificate of take on several of these settled properties.

[02:55:48] The county executive recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution authorizing the acquisition of the necessary land rights related to the reference properties for this important transportation project. Thank you. Representatives from the Office of the County Attorney, Fairfax County Department of Transportation, and Land Acquisition Division are here to answer any questions you may have.

[02:56:09] Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff? Supervisor Stork. I just want to make sure that the public's, I guess, familiar with the notification process that property owners would have gotten ahead of this. Can you maybe just do a quick list of what those kinds of things are?

[02:56:29] Yes, Supervisor Jim Strayhorn, FCDOT, right-of-way specialist. In the lead-up during design, affected owners were notified of possible impacts to their property years ago.

[02:56:45] And then as negotiations began, they would receive appraisal notices for requests for permission to inspect the property, the acquisition area, and then ultimately the offer and the commitments of negotiations. And as the presentation stated, many of these negotiations began in early 2024.

[02:57:02] Thank you. And are there any property owners that you've not been able to contact? They come and go sometimes. Off the top of my head, no. Some have disappeared for periods of time and then popped back up.

[02:57:19] And if we were to approve this today, does that foreclose any opportunity for the property owner to still reach settlement with you all? Absolutely not. These negotiations are ongoing.

[02:57:37] Action today would not preclude us from continuing those negotiations and where they are in the particular phase of those negotiations. Those are all my understanding. And then the final piece, I would say my understanding is that this really ensures that we can at least stay closer to the schedule that we've set in order to get this project completed and operational currently slated for 2033.

[02:58:04] Yes, sir. This is Utility Zone A, which is scheduled to go into NTP for utility relocation in January. Thank you. Are there any other questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing. I have one speaker who has signed up to testify in advance on this matter, Morgan Hadlock.

[02:58:24] Morgan here? Okay. Is there anyone else here present who would like to speak on this matter? This is a public hearing. Anyone? Okay. Anyone else who would like to come speak, come down here and sign in with the clerk to my far right here. If you're here to testify on this matter, if you could please sign in with the clerk.

[02:58:41] And with that, welcome, Ms. Hadlock. Thank you. Good afternoon, Chairman McKay and supervisors. and thank you for the opportunity to comment today. My name is Morgan Hadlock. I'm an associate with Curata Partners, and my comments this afternoon are on behalf of Combined Properties, whose South Alex development is among the properties impacted by this project.

[02:59:05] Combined is supportive of the BRG project, and I'm pleased to share that we are very, very close to finalizing an agreement that should eliminate the need for the county to move forward with eminent domain proceedings for the property. I want to thank staff for their continued collaboration on this project and Supervisor Lusk for his assistance in moving this process toward resolution.

[02:59:26] I would like to highlight a situation that South Alex is experiencing that may also affect other property owners. With HUD financing on the property, the government shutdown has affected Combine's ability to obtain required lender approvals on easements and other documents that require recordation.

[02:59:45] We imagine that this is likely impacting other property owners as well and recommend that the county consider the timing of any eminent domain proceedings for property owners affected by the government shutdown. We appreciate the county's partnership and look forward to seeing this project move forward successfully, and please reach out with any questions that you have.

[03:00:05] Thank you. Thank you very much for that testimony, and we have a second speaker. If you could come on up and introduce yourself and give us your address. Welcome. Thank you. My name is Ryan Probasco. I'm an attorney at law, partner of Dimitri Picrolidis, Fairfax Lawyers, Civil and Criminal.

[03:00:26] We represent M&K Realty LLC. It's on tax map number 0931-01-0024, parcel number 613. We received a letter to my partner. It's dated September 30th, 2025, certified mail.

[03:00:45] He was, I believe, on a plane to Greece at that time. That's why I'm here in his stead, and I'm not lead counsel on this. But we've been negotiating through an agent of the county. There has not been a resolution.

[03:01:03] My understanding is that this is going to have a significant impact on our client's business, and we've provided to the county our assessment of that impact, and we would ask the county to not move forward with this, to consider that impact and make a reasonable counteroffer that would include that.

[03:01:23] It's not just a taking of the land, it is an impact on a business that's been in this county for many, many, many, many years, hardworking, blue-collar people providing construction glass services to the county.

[03:01:40] So with that said, we've made offers to the county that I understand have not been responded to. Obviously, if we can't work it out, the path the county is going could result in litigation, and we would like to avoid that. Thank you so much.

[03:01:57] Thank you very much for your testimony. As I mentioned, this is a public hearing. Is there anyone else here present who would like to speak on this matter? Anyone else present who would like to speak? Seeing and hearing, no one. Let me ask the clerk if we have any callers. There are no callers. No callers.

[03:02:13] Closing comments from staff. Sorry about that. The county executive recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt the resolution authorizing the acquisition of necessary land rates related to this important project. Thank you very much for that.

[03:02:31] Are there any questions of staff? Any questions of staff? Supervisor Stork. I guess just to respond, at least generally, to the gentleman that testified, I'm familiar with the business that he's referring to. And I also have read through the materials, understand that there's offers and counteroffers and still some work, still some ongoing work to address that.

[03:02:58] Are you all, have you all had any recent conversations and do you anticipate going back and talking with them further? The right-of-way consultant reaches out on a regular basis to try and continue negotiations, but nothing of substance recently.

[03:03:16] Thank you. Any further questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing, and let me recognize Supervisor Lusk for a motion.

[03:03:32] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, county staff has distributed to the members of the board a revised resolution that is dated today, October 28, 2025, for this acquisition of land reflecting the reduced scope of acquisition still needed for the BRT project.

[03:03:50] I will move that this revised resolution be adopted for this acquisition of land rights in the Richmond Highway Corridor for the project. It is the same as the draft resolution that was presented in the board package and sets forth the public purpose for this eminent domain action, except that it differs by removing properties that no longer need to be subject to this action today.

[03:04:15] The tax map numbers of the originally listed properties that can now be removed are 1-0833-37-A, Parcel 1034, Huntington Grove 2, HOA, 2-1013-3-Condo, which is Parcel

[03:04:42] 1051 Huntington Watt Condominium Unit Owners Association. Number 3093-1-02-02-0001, which is parcel 760, Edith W. Skidmore. Number four is 0833-0501-001.

[03:05:15] which is parcel 759, Potomac Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventist. And then last is 0833-01-0023A, parcel 831, Drake Petroleum Company.

[03:05:38] The remaining parcels listed in the October 28th, 2025 revised resolution remain subject to this eminent domain action. Properties that have already reached an agreement with the county but have not yet settled will not have certificates of take recorded if closing takes place prior to the date to record the certificate.

[03:06:05] Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the county executive's recommendation to acquire the required land rights for the BRT, the process of eminent domain, for the remaining properties that have been identified in the revised resolution and in this public hearing.

[03:06:22] So moved. You've heard the motion. It's been seconded by Supervisor Stork. Discussion on the motion? Supervisor Luskin. I'll make comments at the end. Go ahead. Okay. Any discussion on the motion? Supervisor Stork. Yes.

[03:06:38] Just a clarification. Do we know approximately how much time will elapse before the recordation will take place? therefore how much time a property owner might have to further address or resolve or reach agreement with the county on this land.

[03:07:02] Supervisor Stewart, are you speaking with regards to the filing of the certificate of take? Yes. The earliest we could file is December 1st, and I would defer to Hayden for how long? After December 1st, they'll have over 30 days. So there's at least a...

[03:07:21] Up to 45 days from this action. 45 days they would have before this would move forward. So that time is available right now to meet with you. Are you all available to do that and meet really at their discretion, their availability?

[03:07:37] Yes. Okay. I obviously always share great concern and caution about condemnations and any kind of taking. I have a strict philosophy of that for myself, which is for safety and security.

[03:07:56] I'm willing to do that, and this is clearly part of the safety and security for our communities and for the project that we've been working on for more than a decade. I know that the property owners all along the corridor are very aware of this.

[03:08:11] I get calls, e-mails, and kind of requests for more information. We've had countless meetings over the decade that we've been providing and going through this process. I also know that we refer individuals to you all, and you all have responded and followed up properly.

[03:08:34] So I would urge anybody who's on this list that's uncomfortable and wants to try to get resolution to meet with you all and see if that can be addressed very quickly. but I also strongly support moving forward and keeping this project on track.

[03:08:51] And I'm also confident, particularly with respect to Delray Glass, one of the property owners that's concerned that what I understand so far, and if it's different, I urge them to come see me, that this will not preclude them from currently continuing to use their land.

[03:09:11] There are some issues that we have with access to properties next door, which we've having conversations about, which are a very important part of this process. But I urge any party that's on this to see you all immediately and make good-faith efforts to try to get it resolved, because I support that.

[03:09:27] Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Stork. And I'll just add, I concur with everything that you just said. I mean, this has been a long, long process. We know that there are real impacts. We know that the conversations must continue. And this is a point in time where hopefully what we're doing instigates those conversations to come to a successful, mutually agreeable close.

[03:09:49] But this is an important, very important project, not only to Fairfax County, but to the region and one that we have been working on for, I know I can count, at least 15 years working on this. And a lot more work still to be done, but a highly complicated project with a lot of moving parts.

[03:10:07] And so I thank staff for their work on this and continued work, particularly with the folks who testified here today, so we can come to a mutual agreement. With that, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions?

[03:10:23] And that motion carries. And thank you for your work on this. Did you want to mention something, Supervisor Loews? Well, there were a couple of points, and I'll thank Supervisor Stroke. He basically captured a few of them. which is going to be very specific in saying that there's still opportunity to work with the staff.

[03:10:39] We've already had a series of meetings that we've been involved with as the supervisors representing some of the property owners. So if someone in the Franconia district certainly has issues with any of the questions around their specific parcel or parcels, please feel free to reach out.

[03:10:56] We're happy to coordinate and be a part of meetings that includes the staff. and we've done that in the past, as you heard with one of the speakers earlier. We know that this is necessary for us to get to the next phase. And unfortunately, we've got to keep this on track.

[03:11:15] So I'm excited that we made the decision that we did here today. But for those who still have questions, you do have the opportunity to have those answered and to make decisions on your individual parcels. So thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. And again, thank you, staff, for your work on this. This is ongoing.

[03:11:36] So one of the many, many mileposts we have to get to to make this project work. All right. With that, let me make sure we voted on that, correct? We did vote. You were commenting after. Yes, we did. So our next public hearing is a public hearing to consider an ordinance expanding the Edison Residential Permit Parking District District 50 in the Franconia District, and as soon as staff is ready, we would welcome a staff presentation.

[03:12:15] Good afternoon, Chairman McKay and members of the board.

[03:12:36] Beverly Duran-Wagner with the Department of Transportation. This is a public hearing to consider expanding District 50, the Edison Residential Permit Parking District, to include the north side of Woodway Drive from Gum Street to the east side and the south side of Woodway Drive from the western property boundary of 5505 Woodway Drive to the east end, as shown on Attachment 2.

[03:13:01] Residents along Woodway Drive have requested establishment of RPPD due to unreasonable burdens to access their property caused by parking of non-resident vehicles during school hours. The

petitioning block meets the code requirements for RPPD on its walking distance proximity to Edison High School.

[03:13:21] Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff? Any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none. This is a public hearing and I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter. Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this subject? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one. Let me ask if there are any callers. There are no callers. No callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from county staff.

[03:13:50] Based on the fulfillment of all requirements set forth in Fairfax County Code, staff recommends approval of the Edison RPPD expansion as proposed. Thank you very much. Questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Lusk for a motion.

[03:14:10] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This one is a very straightforward request. So with that, I will move the county executive's recommendation that the board adopt an amendment to Appendix G of the Fairfax County Code, Attachment 1, to expand the Edison RPPD, District 50.

[03:14:29] And the chair will second that motion. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Thank you. Thank you. Our final public hearing before public comment is a public hearing on a proposal to vacate a portion of rolling road in the Springfield District.

[03:14:52] And as soon as they are ready, we would welcome a county staff presentation.

[03:15:05] Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman. My name is Jeff Edmondson with the Fairfax County Department of Transportation. I'm here to present a proposal to vacate a portion of rolling road in the Springfield District.

[03:15:23] The applicant, Walsh Colucci, Lubley & Walsh, on behalf of their client, West Springfield Center LLC, is requesting that a portion of Rolling Road be vacated under Section 1522272 of the Virginia Code.

[03:15:39] The applicant is seeking this request with the intention to relocate a sign on the property that is currently blocked by a tree in the green space. The applicant does not plan for any additional parking to be added as a result of this proposal and notes that they do not anticipate any trees being removed for the sign relocation.

[03:15:59] The subject portion of Rolling Road east of the intersection of Rolling Road and Trafford Lane is part of the old alignment of Rolling Road, which was realigned around 1970. The subject portion of Rolling Road would be returned to the adjacent property owner, West Springfield Center, LLC, as shown on the vacation plat attached.

[03:16:19] The vacation will not impact the Virginia Department of Transportation's secondary system of highways. And that concludes my presentation. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff? Any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing. I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter.

[03:16:36] Is there anyone present who would like to speak on this subject? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers. There are

no callers. No callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff. Staff recommends board adoption of the vacation ordinance.

[03:16:55] Thank you very much. Last check, questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Herity for a motion. Yes, Mr. Chairman, this hearing is regarding a proposal to vacate a portion of the right of way along Rolling Road fronting the West Springfield Shopping Center near my office.

[03:17:14] Applicants have been upgrading and improving the appearance of the shopping center and should be opening a new grocery store soon. section of right-of-way consists of an unimproved grassy area and therefore the vacation would allow the applicant to relocate the signage for the shopping center I want to thank our clerk Jill and the staff who actually got this on the agenda for today so they could meet the the schedule they have for opening the store so I do appreciate staff working this through mr. chairman I move the board adopt the attach order of vacation of the subject right-of-way

[03:17:49] shown in attachment three. So moved. And chair will second that motion. Is there discussion on the motion? Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Thank you very much. That now brings us to public comment. And just this is the last item on our agenda today. So just a couple reminders about public comment. The board will hear public comment on any issue except issues under litigation, issues that have been scheduled for a public hearing before the board, and personnel

[03:18:26] matters and or comments regarding specific individuals. Speakers must register in advance, and each speaker is given three minutes for their remarks. A maximum of 10 speakers may address the board during any public comment period, and speakers may address the board once during a six-month period. And I will now call from our speakers list. We have four speakers that the board will hear from today, and our first speaker has submitted video testimony, and that is Chris Pak. We can play his video. Hi, my name is Chris Pak, and I am commenting in support of the upcoming countywide

[03:19:05] proposal for the countywide policy plan update. I want to support suburban village centers, equitable development, especially transit-oriented development, and streamline the repurposing of commercial buildings. I wish we would do more to handle affordable housing and people who are displaced in these changes, but in an area that is rapidly increasing in population and yet is constantly burdened by traffic, we need to be setting ourselves up for the future. We need to

[03:19:41] have a model more like the Roslyn Ballston corridor all over Fairfax County where we have places where where people can live and work close together and meet most of their needs without having to spend lots of time in a car or even needing to own a car. Corresponding to that I also specifically support the projects at 7600 Leesburg Pike and Rock Hill Road at the Innovation Metro Station along with projects in the Hunter Mill District for multifamily

[03:20:19] development but I think we should also not be widening Richmond Highway that corridor is a fairly dense corridor today and is ripe for transit but we are going to kill the walkability of that corridor if we make a highway that's already hard to cross even wider. Thank you for your consideration. Thank you very much for submitting your video.

[03:20:48] Our next speaker is Margaret Fitzsimmons, who is a caller. Ms. Fitzsimmons, can you hear me okay? Yes, I can. Welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you. My name is Margaret Fitzsimmons, and I'm a

new mom to a three-month boy and I'm calling to advocate for a flashing crosswalk sign at the intersection of Bluensville and Falstaff. I walk this crosswalk about five times a week and it's been extremely dangerous with the cars that speed on the road and they actually go around the stop car. So I think having a lighting crosswalk sign would be really safe. In the past

[03:21:28] three months. I have felt unsafe and in danger. So by installing the flash and crosswalks, I hope to bring awareness that there is a crosswalk at that intersection. Thank you. Thank you very much for your testimony. And our third speaker is Hassan Dar. Hassan here to be followed by Thomas Lewis. It's Thomas Lewis here. If you can come on down a little bit closer, you will be our fourth and final speaker. Welcome, Mr. Dar.

[03:22:03] Good evening, respected members of the board and honorable residents. My name is Hassan Dar from Vienna, Virginia. I live in the Drainsville District, and I am a junior at Langley High School in McLean, Virginia. Thomas Jefferson wrote in 1776 that every human being is entitled to three things.

[03:22:21] Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. But how can there be life without shelter? What liberty does a tenant have when rent rises faster than wages? And what happiness is possible when children grow up counting eviction notices instead of stars under the night sky.

[03:22:42] Children do their homework in cars parked behind grocery stores. Seniors ration their medication so that they can afford rent. Families move further and further away from the county because they're pushed away by one common thing. Policy and profit. Policy and profit. Policy and profit.

[03:23:00] This housing crisis was not born from scarcity, it was manufactured by greed. The same greed that powers companies to do anything to earn even a cent more of profit. This housing crisis is not sporadic, it is completely generated by our mistakes.

[03:23:19] The same mistakes that has allowed housing to be commodified and become a casino for the rich, where chips are homes and collateral. It is not the job of hedge funds to house the people. It is the duty of the state, of the county, and the collective will of the public to ensure shelter for all.

[03:23:38] The hard hat, the hammer, and the brick must become our instruments of justice because we build not for profit, but we build for people. We don't build to sell, but we build to house. Frankly, I'm worried.

[03:23:54] Worried that in the future that I cannot raise my kids and my future family in this county because I'm worried that prices are going to continue to rise because the county refuses to take accountability and take action on the housing crisis. The current public-private partnerships that the county has organized for affordable housing is like cutting weeds without removing its roots.

[03:24:16] You're still keeping the profit incentive there. Corporations do not care about housing. They only care that they're making a profit. Members of the board, history will remember you. Either as the ones who stood tall and defended the people's right to a house, or as the bureaucrats who watched as corporations drained the soul from Fairfax County.

[03:24:39] Pierre Trudeau of Canada once said, It is more important to keep law and order in this society than to be worried about weak-kneed people who don't like the looks of a soldier's helmet. Today, Fairfax stands before its own test of courage. Our battlefield may not be one of soldiers and rifles, but it is one of zoning maps and hearings.

[03:24:59] Our enemy is not disorder, but our enemy is cowardice. Because the weak-kneed among us do not fear the sound of marching boots. They fear the idea that fairness will take form in brick and mortar. They fear the idea of a Fairfax where the working class can live next to the wealthy. Members of the board, leadership is not the art of pleasing the comfortable.

[03:25:19] It is the duty of protecting the vulnerable. For too long, this county has built walls of policy where we should have been building doors of opportunity. So members of the board, let them say what they will. Let the weak need mutter about shadows and neighborhood character because we will build light.

[03:25:39] If we do not build homes, there will be no world to look kindly upon in the future. If we do not build homes, there will be no houses for Santa to deliver presents to. Instead, there will be sidewalks where the homeless people in this county are sporadically rising.

[03:25:58] Thank you for your time. Thank you for your testimony. And our final public comment speaker is Mr. Thomas Lewis. Welcome. The floor is yours. How do you follow that?

[03:26:17] Good afternoon, and thank you for the opportunity to speak with you guys today. I'm Tom Lewis from the Franconia District out of Fairfax. I want to start by saying that coming before you today was not my first choice. I recognize that the board handles a lot of wide range of important issues, and the last thing I wanted to do was bring this matter to the floor.

[03:26:38] However, after exhausting many of my options, I feel like this is the only way to ensure the problem that has properly reviewed and meaningfully action is taken. Over the last 10 years, I've reached out through multiple channels, including Fairfax PD, VDOT, Supervisor Lust's office, and Delegate Mark Sickles' office.

[03:27:00] Unfortunately, I've seen little progress or a lasting resolution. Me taking my time off of work to come here today, to be the voice of my community members, combined with my previous efforts, should be an indication of how I feel that something needs done.

[03:27:25] The issue at hand involves just parking and traffic problems within the section of our community. Specifically, people are parking in areas that should not be, such as turning lanes, designated parking zones, spots, and blocking visibility and or traffic flow.

[03:27:43] These habits have created serious safety and accessibility concerns. And residents are becoming increasingly frustrated and worried as they try to navigate around vehicles that simply should not be there. VDOT's favorite answer to all my tickets estimate are the takeaway from parking.

[03:28:09] Since there is limited parking for the area, they don't want to take away parking and to just call police. My thought on this is, if this is VDOT's mentality, then they are putting the convenience of a few in the safety of all.

[03:28:30] I understand that they're limited parking, but it needs to be added in a safe manner. Vehicles should not be allowed to just park anywhere they want. Also, we should not be calling the police as a catch-all.

[03:28:48] The police in this area have way more pressing things to take care of. What I would respectfully ask you today is for your guidance and support, whether that's through new signage, trafficking workings,

and or contacting, connecting me with the appropriate department that can take care of a more proactive role.

[03:29:07] This board has changed the speed limit on Route 1 to 35 miles an hour. They've gotten the bus main project in motion. So this should be an extremely light lift for somebody on the board. My goal is simple, to restore safety and accessibility for all of our community.

[03:29:26] Thank you again for your attention. Thank you, Mr. Lewis. I appreciate your testimony and for the work you do with your HOA. With that, that brings us to the end of our public comment period. Again, I want to thank all the folks who testified today, and if there's no further business before the Board of Supervisors today, our board meeting of October 28, 2025 is adjourned.



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