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[00:00:03] Good morning. Oops, my light is off. Someone else is pushing that. I'm going to try again.

[00:00:21] Good morning, everyone, and welcome to our board meeting of October 27th, 2026. And we are going to begin our board meeting as we always do, with a moment of silence to be followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In a moment, I will ask all who are able to rise for that. But before we do that, we do want to recognize a few folks that we would like to keep in our thoughts and prayers.

[00:00:44] And I would ask for people's patience here this morning because, sadly, we have a lot of people, at least I have a lot of people, to mention. And I'm going to start with a tremendous loss, not just for Franconia District, but for Fairfax County as a whole.

[00:01:01] On Wednesday, October 21st, Fairfax County lost a longtime dedicated public servant in Carl's cell of the Franconia District at the age of 90. Carl's service to Fairfax County spanned decades as one of the originators of the Franconia District Land Use Committee.

[00:01:20] He was a planning commissioner under then-supervisor Joe Alexander, where Carl coined his most memorable phrase of, the fish ain't ready to fry, quote-unquote, which means your land use case isn't ready for a vote. And during his tenure as planning commissioner, Carl played an important role in the

development of Kingstown, Island Creek, and the Franconia Springfield Transportation Center, the Joe Alexander Transportation Center.

[00:01:48] Anyone old and new to the Franconia Government Center has seen the Franconia Museum, which Carl created himself to make sure that the history of Franconia was never lost. He was a longtime sports writer for the old Washington Star and former sports information director at George Mason University.

[00:02:09] Carl also served as president of the Rose Hill Community Association until his passing. And few people, and I can tell you this as a lifelong resident of this part of the county, few people have made as big a difference in the lives of people in Franconia and the creation of that entire community as a longtime planning commissioner and dedicated public servant as Carl Sell.

[00:02:32] And I literally knew him, met him when I was about three years old, and always knew him as the person who was getting things done with passion. His passion for not just land use and good planning, but his passion for youth sports, his passion for George Mason University, and his beloved community of Rose Hill.

[00:02:54] So if we could keep all those who have been impacted by Carl's passing and our thoughts and prayers, especially his family, an extended Franconia family, this is an icon that we lost. Speaking of icons, I also want to mention, sadly, we learned of the passing of James Jim Wordsworth.

[00:03:17] And Jim passed away on October 12th. He was born in Rocky Mountain, North Carolina, moved to our area in the early 1970s. In 1974, Jim opened J.R. Steakhouse in Fairfax County, which launched a business legacy that spanned for more than five decades.

[00:03:34] A titan in the hospitality industry, one of Jim's companies catered gatherings from intimate dinners to major events, such as the White House Easter Egg Roll across five different presidential administrations, presidential inaugural events, the Cherry Blossom Festival, and meals for the Washington Nationals and visiting teams during home games.

[00:03:53] Committed to advancing hospitality and tourism, he served on a number of national boards specific to Fairfax County. Jim founded Visit Fairfax and was instrumental in merging Virginia's tourism and hospitality industry through the Virginia Hospitality and Travel Association, which we know today as the Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, and Travel Association.

[00:04:15] Jim left a legacy of philanthropy and community service through his years. We all knew of his famous steakhouse in Tyson's up until its last day. And Jim was a character, but somebody who really had a passion for this community, for his family business, and made a real difference in our community.

[00:04:35] And we would like to keep him in our thoughts and prayers, as well as his wife, Karen, and all of his loved ones and friends. And sadly, we lost also three county employees that I want to mention. These are part of our county family. Michelle Hickman on October 6th the Department of Planning and Development lost a treasured Cali and Michelle Hickman she was a planner in the zoning permit section passed away after a valiant nine-year battle with cancer a friend to all Michelle was best known for her unending willingness to go above and beyond to help anyone in need assisting customers even in her final

[00:05:13] days Michelle was a true public servant who will be greatly missed if we could keep Michelle's family as well as her family and DPZ in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Secondly, I

would like to honor the memory of Hank Friedel, who served the county for 44 years as a commercial real estate appraiser with the Department of Tax Administration.

[00:05:36] He began working for Fairfax County in 1981 in the Office of Assessments, predating the Department and Tax Administration, and served honorably until his retirement in January of 2026. Hank passed away on October 11th after battling cancer.

[00:05:53] After graduating from high school in 1965, Hank enlisted in the Marines and served in Vietnam. Upon returning from Vietnam, he was stationed in Quantico and was a member of their all-star baseball team. He was scouted by the Pittsburgh Pirates and the New York Yankees while on that all-star team.

[00:06:11] He loved his country and took as much of his spare time as possible to perform charitable work with his church, as well as several veterans groups here locally. A lifelong fan of baseball, Hank was always at the ready with statistics and trivia. He will be remembered for his good humor, gentle nature, and generous spirit, and for us, his 44 years of service to the residents of Fairfax County.

[00:06:36] Tank will be dearly missed by friends, family, co-workers, and we send our thoughts and prayers to all of those. Finally, in our county employees, I want to mention the passing of Paul Hall. Tomorrow, our county flag will be lowered at half-staff at several county facilities in memory of Paul Hall.

[00:06:55] Paul served Fairfax County and our residents for over two decades as a heavy equipment operator, supervisor, and assistant refuse superintendent. And if we could keep Paul's loved ones, including his co-workers, in our thoughts and prayers, as well as those at the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, that would be appreciated.

[00:07:16] And then last, I received notification last night of a pedestrian accident that occurred at University Mall. And unfortunately, we know there's been too many pedestrian accidents happening everywhere in Fairfax County. This particular accident involved Monica Horan, who's the wife of Bob Horan, who served as Commonwealth's attorney for many decades in this county.

[00:07:43] And she is in the hospital now recovering from being hit in the parking lot at University Mall yesterday. So if we could keep Bob Horan, certainly Monica, in our thoughts and wishing her a recovery as she deals with the impacts of being hit in the parking lot.

[00:07:59] And I think for all of us, just another reminder of being aware, putting our phones down, paying attention we're in the car, and respecting pedestrians because these things are preventable. This one was preventable, all of these accidents.

[00:08:15] And I know some people don't call them accidents because they weren't accidents, but these are preventable instances that we all can learn from. And so if we could keep all of those folks in our thoughts and prayers, I would appreciate it. And this time, I will recognize any of my other colleagues.

[00:08:31] Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'll join you in acknowledging the loss of Carl Sell. It's hard. This one's a hard one. He served in many different roles over 60 years of volunteer service.

[00:08:49] He was a baseball coach, and he loved baseball. He was a lead district representative at the time and chairman of the Fairfax County Park Authority Board. He was the co-founder, as the chairman mentioned, of the Lee District Land Use Committee, now Franconia District Land Use Committee.

[00:09:05] He was the Lee District Representative to the Planning Commission for so many years, president of the Rose Hill Civic Association, president of the Franconia Museum. And while he was chairman of the Park Authority Board, Carl facilitated the acquisition of Huntley Meadows Park from the federal government at no cost to the taxpayers here.

[00:09:26] He called Huntley Meadows the crown jewel of Fairfax County, and I think many of us would agree with that assessment. While serving on the Planning Commission, Carl worked on many important cases, both in the planning and rezoning, and Kingstown was mentioned, Island Creek, and the Springfield-Franconia Transit Station Center.

[00:09:48] I'm grateful that I had the opportunity to spend some time with Carl to commemorate his 90th birthday this past summer. And it's kind of funny to note when I was talking with him, he was still focused on so many issues.

[00:10:04] He was asking me about a rezoning case that was pending in the Rose Hill community. He was asking me about another case in the Kingstown area. And at that time, I just imagined that he would still be here.

[00:10:21] So this is a bit of a shock for me and all of us here at this dais. But I want to express to his family that we have their thoughts with us, his wife Marty, his family, and the Franconia Museum volunteers who are at the Franconia Government Center every day, and to the Rose Hill community in particular.

[00:10:44] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. And I'm sorry. Yes. That was just for Carl. Supervisor Lusk, yeah. And then the second, I would like to acknowledge and remember Diana Stanley. I'm sorry to share the passing of Jefferson Manor resident Diana Stanley after a courageous two-year battle with lymphoma.

[00:11:06] I'm going to share some remarks that I got from the Jefferson Manor Civic Association noting that Diana was one of the very best neighbors in Jefferson Manor. She was fiercely loyal, endlessly hardworking, and deeply devoted to her community.

[00:11:25] She put her heart and soul into the Jefferson Manor Civic Association. For seven years, she served in a variety of roles, and most recently as its treasurer. But her impact reached far beyond the spreadsheets and budgets.

[00:11:41] She worked tirelessly behind the scenes to strengthen her neighborhood, increase engagement among neighbors, and create a sense of community, which so many of us do treasure with Jefferson Manor. One of her proudest accomplishments as serving JMCA was an achievement that is pretty impressive.

[00:12:05] She was able to secure more than 40% membership amongst the 600 homes in the Jefferson Manor development. Now, beyond the accomplishments and the volunteer hours, Diana was simply a kind, dependable, funny, and caring person.

[00:12:25] Jefferson Manor is better because of her. Her fingerprints are all over that community, and her absence will be deeply felt. And I want to extend my condolences to her husband, George Lee, and the entire Jefferson Manor community. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[00:12:41] Thank you, Supervisor Loss. Supervisor Sizemore-Hyser, were you looking to be recognized? Yes, just very briefly, I just wanted to acknowledge the passing of Monica Horan as well. And you mentioned her at that horrific craft at University Mall, which is in my district. Yeah, the latest update I have is she is still hospitalized.

[00:13:01] I heard that she had passed, so thank you for letting me know. I had heard that she had passed. But I just still want to acknowledge the importance. We keep hearing about pedestrian safety and the importance of all of us being vigilant and careful. So thank you for clarifying that with me.

[00:13:17] I'm glad I muted that. But just the importance of being safe out there and being vigilant and watching out for each other, it is very sad to see. Thank you. Supervisor Beerman. Okay. Others who would like to be recognized?

[00:13:33] Supervisor Stork and then Supervisor Herity. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And I never had the opportunity to meet William DeGraff, who passed on October 4th at a retirement community near Fort Belvoir.

[00:13:50] But his career, his life was so remarkable, and it was an amazing obituary that was written up in the Washington Post last night. That's what got my attention by Paul Duggan. But Mr., or I should say Colonel DeGraff, was a product of San Francisco.

[00:14:13] In high school, he was senior. He was also named commander of all the schoolboy ROTC units in the city. And that was just the beginning of a lifetime of service to the Army and, frankly, to all of us. After he graduated, he went into the Army.

[00:14:31] This is 1944. In 1944, he went from being a private to being a first lieutenant in a matter of six months through his bravery and activity, exploits. So he was the youngest American soldier in World War II to receive such a promotion, a battlefield promotion.

[00:14:52] This is World War II. In addition to that, he tried multiple times to get into West Point. He clearly had all the other elements, but he kept having difficulty with passing his health tests.

[00:15:10] So after his fourth try, he finally was able to get into West Point. He graduated in 1950 as the first man academically in West Point in his class, and as the second militarily among 671 classmates. And again, we're just starting.

[00:15:27] Even further, he took part in the Korean War. He was in the Busan perimeter. For those of you who are familiar with the Korean War, that was an amazingly difficult time. In fact, the general had ordered the American soldiers to stand or die in order to protect and defend that corridor.

[00:15:48] And additionally, then, he also ultimately was fought in the Vietnam War. And his long, long list of accolades and really things that he did, the awards that he got, bronze stars for valor, bronze stars for other meritorious service.

[00:16:14] Along the way, he got a master's degree in nuclear physics from Purdue. He got three more bronze stars for meritorious combat service, a third combat infantry, Brad, again, World War II, Korean War, and then Vietnam War, and then a distinguished flying cross for heroics aboard a helicopter under intense fire. Again, an amazing life that I just frankly understood and discovered, if you will, as part of this. But maybe it's even more amazing is the life that he had and that his children identified that he had. Gwyneth de Graff, his daughter,

[00:16:51] said, my father had principles. He told me, you have to abide by your principles. Even when it costs you or otherwise, it's not a principle until that point. So again, you don't always know about the lives well-lived and the differences that people have made in our community.

[00:17:14] And sometimes they come upon you like an article in the paper. But I definitely deeply appreciate the fact that this was brought to my attention. I want to thank his surviving two sons and two daughters. As well as he has five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and his wife, the foreman Robin Wilde, died in 2020, three months shy of their 70th wedding anniversary.

[00:17:39] So, again, we'd always know that his life of service to all of us was a huge part of what we all look for in the people around us, Carl Sells and the many others who've given in so many different ways. So, thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[00:17:55] Thank you, Supervisor Stork, Supervisor Herdy. Yes, Mr. Chairman, I want to thank you and Supervisor Luss for the recognition of Carl Sell. I don't think I was three when I first met him, but he was a force back in my dad's day and all the way through.

[00:18:12] And the list of accomplishments is just incredible. And Jim Woodsworth, to lose Jim, too. You know, I think, Mr. Chairman, you talked a lot about the local stuff, but he was not only locally as a national leader, Served on the U.S. Chamber of Commerce for 20 years as the regional vice chairman for the Southeast region.

[00:18:34] He was with the National Restaurant Association as well as the National Cattle Beef Board. Long list of awards. Probably one of the neatest things in tribute to his dedication and success in the restaurant industry. The Virginia hospitality industry has permanently named its annual Restaurateur of the Year Award, the James M. Woodsworth Restaurateur of the Year Award.

[00:19:04] But he's probably best known for being the driving force behind the state statute that allowed us to start Visit Fairfax. It's an effort I had the honor to work with him on when I was with the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce Board. And he went on to serve as its founding chairman for two years and really made Fairfax what it is today.

[00:19:24] But his impact went well past his business success. He was a community leader who shared his time. In 1978, he co-founded the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia with my dad, Jay Lambert, and Florence Townsend.

[00:19:40] He co-founded the establishment of Meadowlark Gardens. Working with Tom Davis, he chaired the funding committee for the park and the atrium building, then designed and consulted on building the atrium itself. He served years with the United Cerebral Palsy, the YMCA, the Boy Scouts of America, and educational advisory boards at Virginia Tech and the Northern Virginia Community College.

[00:20:05] So his contributions to the community, both nationally and locally, were deep, and he was a titan of industry. To me, he was a friend and a mentor. He was one of my dad's closest friends, even though my dad would put ketchup on his great steaks.

[00:20:25] Something Jim forgave him for. I don't know how, but he had to work hard at that. He'll be missed. I ask that we keep Jim and his wife, Karen, in our thoughts and prayers. Thank you. Thank you very much, Supervisor Herity. And if there's no one else looking to be recognized at this time, if all who are able to could rise for a moment of silence to be followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

[00:21:01] Please face the flag.

[00:21:17] I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. So it is great to see a full auditorium here this morning.

[00:21:44] We do have five presentations. We're going to try to go through them as efficiently as we can, and we're going to go in the order in which they're presented. And when I call out the presentation, if the speaker, designated speaker, and anyone else who's here with them could come on down to the podium, we will read the proclamation, vote, and then take a picture from the dais.

[00:22:05] And first up this morning is a very special one, and that is a resolution to recognize Marlene Blum for dedicating more than four decades of public service and volunteer leadership in Fairfax County. And this was requested by myself and Supervisor Palchuk.

[00:22:24] And Marlene does not need a refresher on the process here that we use as she makes her way on down to the podium. And before I read this resolution, I do want to thank so many folks who are here to celebrate the legacy of Marlene.

[00:22:42] We had a reception right before this, and the room was packed. And so I am going to hand the gavel to Supervisor Smith so that I can read the following resolution. Whereas Marlene Blum has dedicated more than four decades of public service and volunteer leadership in Fairfax County, including her distinguished tenure as the chair of the Fairfax County Health Care Advisory Board, advising the Board of Supervisors and Health Department on the health and well-being of county residents.

[00:23:12] And whereas Ms. Blum helped establish the Fairfax County Community Health Care Network, expanding primary care access for uninsured residents and advocating for vulnerable populations, including people experiencing homelessness, individuals with disabilities, older adults and students, while also helping establish the Fairfax County HIV AIDS Task Force.

[00:23:36] And whereas Ms. Blum strengthened Fairfax County's human services and housing programs as a founder of the Access to Care Consortium and Fairfax County Alliance for Human Services, the first chair of the Consolidated Community Funding Advisory Committee, and a member of the Affordable Housing Advisory Council.

[00:23:56] And whereas Ms. Blum championed children, families, and education as president of the Fairfax County Council of PTAs and Fairfax County Association for the Gifted, while leading the School Health Task Force to expand school nursing services and improve student health.

[00:24:15] And whereas following more than 40 years of dedicated volunteer service, Ms. Blum has retired from the Health Care Advisory Board, leaving a lasting legacy of leadership, advocacy, and commitment to Fairfax County residents.

[00:24:31] Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents of Fairfax County, does hereby commend and express its sincere appreciation to Marlene Blum for her extraordinary service and lasting contributions to the health and well-being of the Fairfax County community.

[00:24:51] Seconded by most of the board. A discussion on the motion, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Vice Chair Smith. This is a hard one just because it is unimaginable to not have Marlene's constant guidance on

things. And I sense that even though the formality of the Health Care Advisory Board may be gone, the access that Marlene has to all of us will not stop.

[00:25:16] She will be an independent advisor now, not held back by anyone, not that she ever has been. but it is it is bittersweet Marlene that you know we think back on the 40 years and think what the county has been through and I would say that Marlene was way ahead of her time when it comes to equity and access for all and advocating for the many people in our community that are voiceless for many reasons and I said at the reception and I'll repeat here that I don't know anyone who has

[00:25:55] more people that they have helped that will never meet Marlene than Marlene because her work has helped so many vulnerable populations of individuals that may not have the time energy that some of us have to put into this work, may not have the loudest voice, may not have an ability to show up at public hearings or to advocate for themselves, but absolutely their lives have been improved because of the programs, because of the opportunities that we have in Fairfax County that have been advocated by you, Marlene.

[00:26:33] And, you know, I also mentioned when Supervisor Hudgens and I were drafting the framework of our One Fairfax policy in Fairfax County, our equity policy, the number of times Marlene's name came up and some of the things that she did that represented long before we had a formal policy to guide us, but just represented her acknowledgment and her support and her advocacy on equitable treatment of all individuals without regard for what zip code they live in, what income they have, what they might be challenged with.

[00:27:09] And that really set the framework for the policy that we have in place and the humanitarian Fairfax County that we have built over decades of service, thankfully, people like Marlene. And so I can't say enough. I read in the resolution all the things that she's been involved in. That's just a thumbnail of the real things she's been involved in. I mean, she has been the heart and soul of health care delivery, of human services, of affordable housing advocacy, and really just, if I had to sum it all up, has been the heart and soul of the humanity

[00:27:46] that we now have in Fairfax County and Marlene I can't say thank you enough I know my colleagues are going to pile on but we expect to have you fully engaged still we assume that you will be because we need your continued guidance we need your attitude of what is in the realm of possible while still advocating for perfection and advocating for our most vulnerable residents and so we we need you still involved, even though we're acknowledging this formal retirement from one board authority

[00:28:21] or commission. I'm already thinking of a couple others we could create, put Marlene in charge of, so just give me time. But Marlene, from the bottom of my heart, thank you for everything you have done for this community. Thank you. Supervisor Palchuk. Thank you, Madam Vice Chair. Marlene, As Kate Hanley mentioned this morning, you were first appointed by Jim Scott, then by Kate Hanley, Jerry Connolly, Linda Smith, and myself.

[00:28:53] You've left me with the hardest job of having to find a worthy replacement. You're welcome to come back. I sincerely want to thank you and your family.

[00:29:10] You know, we choose to do this as a profession, and our families have to put up with a lot. But you've given your heart and soul, not just to your family, but to our entire Fairfax County family. As

someone who had the opportunity and the privilege to grow up here and now sit at this dais, I could not be here without the work that you and so many across Fairfax County have implemented.

[00:29:36] And that is true for thousands, thousands of our kids and families. So, as the chairman said, this community would not be the place it is without you. And so many will never know that they had these opportunities because of you.

[00:29:53] But we know, and you know, that the countless hours and arguments in order to make this a better place will forever be in our hearts. As was said this morning, I believe by Congressman Walkinshaw, and I full-heartedly agree, the greatest thing about Fairfax County is our people and the humanity and the respect that you help bring to this county is incredible.

[00:30:24] And it's why so many of us choose to live here, come back here, raise a family and retire here. So I know you won't be far. We know how to find you. But I hope you get a little bit of time to spend enjoying this full retirement, I hope, with your husband and your family. So thank you again on behalf of all of the county. Thank you for your dedication and service.

[00:30:52] Thank you, Supervisor Alcorn, then Lusk. All right, thank you, Madam Vice Chair. I think the first time I ever talked with you, Marlene, was 39 years ago. I was interning in the Providence District Supervisor's Office, and I remember talking with you several times, and I was 20, and I was trying to keep up.

[00:31:21] I was really trying to understand, wow, you know, there's so much going on. And, you know, even at the time, it was very clear to me that not only were you passionate about many of these issues, but you also knew what you were talking about.

[00:31:39] That was clear from the beginning. I just want to highlight a couple of things that haven't been maybe – I think the chairman's right. The resolution is a thumbnail of all the things that you've done, but I do want to mention a couple of others.

[00:32:00] A few years ago, you received the Virginia Peters Fair Housing Award for all your advocacy over the years for the unhoused. Housing advocacy, I know, has been something else near and dear to you.

[00:32:17] And then there's something else that is worth mentioning, and I think this goes back to your Council of PTA days, but you were a trailblazer for advocating for public education to meet the needs of all our students, special ed to GT. And I know you were one that was pushing the conversation back then. And again, some of that goes back before my time, which is a long time

[00:32:54] ago. But without your dedication, without your commitment, many of the things that we take for granted now in Fairfax County would not be there. I very much appreciate that. And these challenges obviously continue in many different ways and in different forms but but the constant is there and in many ways Marlene you really represent our model

[00:33:25] Fairfax County resident because you not only gave of your time and you gave your expertise and you knew what you were talking about you made so much money doing it so you know that that that level of advanced I would call it maybe postdoctoral volunteerism is just remarkable and something we probably

[00:34:01] don't highlight enough in our roles so thank you Marlene and and again this is one ending but new beginnings as well so look forward to you staying involved as well thank you thank you Supervisor

Lusk and Sizemore Heiser I'm gonna promise I did not coordinate this comment with Supervisor Alcorn I met Marlene Blum a year later when I was the intern and then Supervisor Kate Hanley's office. And I

[00:34:37] just want to say, Marlene, I live with my grandparents and my grandmother was just an amazing person. And she taught me a few things. She always wanted me to be mindful that if you ever see someone in need or if you see someone that's suffering, that you have a responsibility to help. When I think about her words, I think about you, because you have exemplified that

[00:35:07] through your four-plus decades of service. And not everyone looks at life in that way. And I just appreciate your commitments and your dedication to improving the quality of life for so many. And I'll just make a couple of points here that I did note. Your work on the Healthcare advisory board came at a very pivotal moment in Fairfax County's history. And I believe in an

[00:35:40] oral history that you gave, you shared that during the AIDS crisis, you would testify before the board and male members would leave the dais. It's hard to believe. It's hard to believe that something like that happened not so long ago. Luckily, things have changed because of activists like you. As the racial and cultural makeup of this county changed, you helped respond to the unique challenges that it brought. You understood the connection

[00:36:15] between culture and health care and other social services which influences our social service delivery today. And as a Franconia District Supervisor, I just really, really appreciate the work that you've done to bring community health care to the Route 1 corridor, and it's made a difference specifically for so many of my residents.

[00:36:38] And again, thank you for your commitment to Fairfax County. I anticipate that we will continue to see you. I will look forward to that, and you deserve a little bit of a break, but not a permanent one, so thank you so very much.

[00:36:54] Thank you, Supervisor Sizemore Heiser. Thank you, and I couldn't not say something, Marlene. You so graciously said upstairs when we talked briefly that we kind of came out of the same world, right?

[00:37:11] But you are a pioneer in this world that I looked up to and admired so much. We came out of the world of advocating for everybody to have a voice. We came out of the world of making sure nobody got left behind and everybody was seen as valuable and human and provided what they needed in the way that they needed it with respect and dignity.

[00:37:31] I mean, the work you did for gifted education, for special education, for healthcare access, for cultural competency in all of those spaces, I had the honor of serving with you very briefly on the Alliance for Affordable Housing before I ran for school board.

[00:37:53] And I was amazed not just at the font of knowledge that you had, but the very thoughtful way in which you engage somebody new into that space or newer into that space where they come on in.

[00:38:09] We value your opinion. We value your thoughts. We value your expertise. Now let me teach you mine as well. I'll never forget that. And I'm hoping as the chair of HHS here, I can still call you from time to time and pick your brain. But thank you for being a role model for those of us who were in your world, who advocated because we had a passion, who got paid so much to do it.

[00:38:34] Just kidding. Truly out of a labor of love to make the world a better place. Thank you for being the trailblazer and the pioneer. And I hope to be a quarter of as good as you are. Thank you. Seeing no

further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[00:38:51] Aye. Anyone opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Mr. Chairman. Thank you. And before we get to the best part, which is hearing from Marlene, I do want to mention one thing that was not mentioned. And I see some of them here, but many of them are not. I want to acknowledge the relationship that you built with so many of our nonprofit organizations in Fairfax County.

[00:39:13] Because, you know, the intersection of health care and the work that they do was never more profound to me than during the pandemic that we all were challenged to get through. And I remember the governor at the time asking how we in Fairfax were able to get our vaccinations out the door, how we were able to vaccinate vulnerable populations at a rate far exceeding anywhere else in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

[00:39:40] And I've got to tell you, it was because of people like Marlene, because she understood the importance of that delivery system, the relationships that we built, the trust that we built, so that when we do have a health care crisis, we're not getting to know the community.

[00:39:58] We're not getting to learn the assets that we have, but in fact, we are deploying them with trust and humanity. And those relationships with our community-based nonprofits were strengthened constantly by your advocacy and work. So I do want to thank you for that as well.

[00:40:15] And with that, this is what we've all been waiting for, an opportunity for Marlene for the first time ever to address the Board of Supervisors in a profound way. Marlene, the floor is yours.

[00:40:30] Thank you very much. I'd like to, before I begin, thank you all very much for those very kind and very generous words, and back at you, and for the honor of this. I'm very grateful, deeply grateful.

[00:40:48] I'd like to introduce some of my family members who are here today and who live and thrive in Fairfax County. My son, Matthew, my daughter-in-law, Jennifer, and my two granddaughters, Emily and Leah, and proud products of our wonderful school system, I might add.

[00:41:07] And my daughter-in-law, Jen, is a special ed teacher at Sleepy Hollow Elementary, just putting in a word for our schools. Okay, thank you again. It's wonderful, and I'm really glad to have a few minutes to speak because it gives me the opportunity to thank you and previous boards for giving me the chance to do worthwhile work and have fun doing it. Let's remember why the Board of Supervisors created the Healthcare Advisory Board way back in 1973. That is before my time, by the way. I just

[00:41:43] want to mention that. In its resolution, the board recognized that health planning was the best way to understand and respond to health needs and problems in Fairfax County. Furthermore, and please note this, the board asserted the importance of community involvement in the planning of services vital to the community's welfare.

[00:42:05] I honor the members of that PASS board for their foresight. I've treasured being part of that community involvement over all these years and working with many dedicated and outstanding community members and staff on many different issues, problems, and projects. I thank all of them for the important work they've done and continue to do, and for the privilege of sharing those efforts with them.

[00:42:31] I feel lucky to have settled in Fairfax County, where, when there are problems to be solved or changes to be made, we set up committees, organizations, boards, commissions, task forces, and councils,

et cetera, to deal with them. When we talk about such efforts, we sometimes sound skeptical about their value, but we keep on doing it. Community members complain about how hard it is to get things done and how long it takes to get things done. And when it's a government-based

[00:43:03] group, county staff sometimes object to the extra workload, but we keep doing it. Obviously, we really believe that people working together can solve problems. And we know from experience that this community collaboration and involvement has often been productive and that needed changes have happened as a result. I might add and applaud the fact that many of you on the board and quite a few of your predecessors have devoted your talents and energies to just such volunteer work, right?

[00:43:39] Right. And in so doing, I want to mention that we are continuing a wonderful tradition, renewed in every generation and embraced by those born here and those who have settled here.

[00:43:54] And it has made our country great. It is truly the American way. That belief that organizing ourselves to do what needs to be done is the way that is to solve our community problems is alive and well in Fairfax County. And we know that democracy is not a spectator sport.

[00:44:19] In saying that, of course, I align myself with many people who have said that. But I was curious about who said it first. So I did a little research. I hope you enjoy as much as I do knowing that it is attributed to Lada Sharfman, a League of Women Voters of Massachusetts president and a refugee who escaped with her family from Austria during World War II.

[00:44:48] Ms. Sharfman said, democracy is not a spectator sport. It requires full participation and engagement to make it work. We must be participants, not observers. That belief is fundamental in Fairfax County, and long may it flourish.

[00:45:05] Thank you.

[00:45:17] Yes, we are. I was going to say, she didn't do bad for her first trip to the government center, huh?

[00:45:37] With that, we are ready for a photo. And if you are here supporting Marlene, don't be shy. Come down and join us for the photo. One big happy family here. Supervisor Palczyk and I will join you. The board will rise.

[00:47:45] Next, we have a resolution to recognize the Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burk on its 20th anniversary

[00:48:41] and celebrate its dedication to supporting older adults through volunteer services, educational programs, and community connections. And this was requested by myself and by Supervisor Sizemore Heiser. Our speaker is Beth Kilgore-Robinson, Executive Director of Shepherd Center at Fairfax-Burk, and an army of folks who are here with her, which is great to see if you all could come on down.

[00:49:05] And while you were doing that, I will recognize Supervisor Sizemore Heiser for a motion. Thank you. Whereas the Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burke was founded in 2006 as a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping older adults maintain their independence, dignity, and quality of life through volunteer services and community engagement.

[00:49:28] And whereas for 20 years, the Shepherd Center has provided essential support to older residents of Fairfax County through free transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, and other necessary activities, helping them remain active and independent in their communities.

[00:49:43] And whereas, the organization offers educational programs, fitness classes, and social activities that promote lifelong learning, healthy aging, and meaningful connections, or reducing isolation among older adults. And whereas, during the past year, the Shepherd Center recorded more than 10,000 client contacts, offered 132 fitness classes attended by more than 5,000 participants, and provided nearly 3,000 free rides to older adults throughout Fairfax, Burke, and the South County communities.

[00:50:15] And whereas, the dedication of its staff, volunteers, community partners, and supporters has strengthened neighborhoods, fostered a spirit of service, and made Fairfax County a more welcoming and supportive place for older residents. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents of Fairfax County, does hereby recognize and congratulate the Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burke on its 20th anniversary and express sincere appreciation for two decades of outstanding service to older adults and to the greater community.

[00:50:51] And the chair will second that, along with Supervisor Palczyk and Supervisor Bierman. Discussion on the motion, Supervisor Sizemore Heiser. Just briefly, I just wanted to thank you for the work we do. As our county population is aging, similar to the rest of the country, the work you do becomes even more important and even more seminal.

[00:51:09] As more of our seniors are aging in place, that isolation and that need for rides, for connection grows even stronger. So the work you do 20 years ago was groundbreaking in recognizing the need, not just for rides, but really that connection and that social activity, right?

[00:51:25] To keep people healthy, not just from seeing doctors for their physical health, but for their mental health and their well-being. 20 years ago, that was a newer concept. That was something we didn't recognize as important, but now we recognize that the breadth of services you provide and support is so crucial and critical to our community.

[00:51:44] So thank you for what you do. Thank you for your volunteers. And here's to 20 more years of serving our community. Thank you, Supervisor Sizemore Heiser. And let me also congratulate you on 20 years. We are proud to have you as a partner.

[00:52:01] You know, we talk about our nonprofits all the time and the importance of them in our community, but Fairfax County cannot do this work alone. And so I am grateful that your organization exists, grateful that Consolidated Community Funding Pool money has been awarded in Fairfax County to help sustain the programs that you have.

[00:52:21] I'll just share on a personal note, and I've shared this at a previous meeting, that my mom took a fall earlier this year. And as a result of that, really couldn't do anything. She was incapacitated for a period of time after just taking a simple fall in the house.

[00:52:38] And I never thought I'd have to spend as much time as I did looking for opportunities for engagement, for socialization, for transportation. Sometimes we forget that in an instant, somebody's entire life can change. And their access to the world and the engagement that we all need to live healthy lives can be materially impacted in a second.

[00:53:01] And as we continue to look for ways to improve Fairfax County's ability to support our older adults and make sure that people can continue to live and thrive in our community, I think the thing that you identified 20 years ago that's so critical is that engagement and socialization piece and the isolation that some face when they are cut off from access.

[00:53:26] And that is a huge need that you fill. I also want to thank you for your partnership with George Mason University, because this is a treasure in our community, sometimes underutilized, and I appreciate that you have partnered with them as well on some of the technology pieces and other things that are improving the lives of so many people in our community.

[00:53:46] So 20 years is a long time. It seems fitting that this follows the last presentation that we had, because I will just say this, again, is the embodiment of the humanity that exists in this great place that we live that we never take for granted. So here's to 20 more years. With that, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And as I mentioned, we are blessed to have with us our speaker, who is Beth Kilgore Robinson, the Executive Director of the Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burke. Welcome. Thank you. Thank you, Chairman McKay,

[00:54:23] And thank you to Supervisor Stork and to Supervisor Sizemore Heiser, as well as my recent conversation with Vice Chair Smith. Thank you all, because we definitely serve the older adults who live in your districts.

[00:54:40] I would be remiss if I did not mention that each of you have a Shepherd Center. There are five Shepherd Centers in Northern Virginia, and so I encourage you to get to know them. We are small, but we are mighty, as you hear, in how we serve older adults.

[00:54:56] I will tell you that it is very unfair that we go after Ms. Marlene. But I will say that she truly embodies why Shepherd Centers of America was formed in 1972 by Dr. Albert Cole, and that was to show that aging and retirement does not mean that it is the end, that you still have a lot to offer even after your paying job ends and you still have some growth and lives that you can touch.

[00:55:30] So thank you again. This recognition means so much to us because it celebrates not only 20 years of service, but also the people, partnerships, and shared commitment that have made our mission possible. As you said, for two decades, the Shepherd Center of Fairfax-Burke has been dedicated to helping older adults live a life that matters.

[00:55:51] Through our transportation services, friendly visits and calls, educational programs, and opportunities for connection, we strive to ensure that older adults in our community feel supported, valued, and never forgotten. We know that this work cannot be accomplished alone.

[00:56:11] It takes a community that cares, leaders who recognize the importance of serving older adults, and partners who believe that everyone deserves the opportunity to age with dignity. Your recognition affirms that this mission matters, and it encourages us as we look forward to the next 20 years of service.

[00:56:32] I'm deeply grateful to our volunteers. Without them, our work would not be possible each day. the staff, the donors, the community partners, board members who have helped build this organization into what it is today. This milestone belongs to all of them, as well as to the older adults who inspire us every day. Thank you for honoring our history, recognizing our impact, and helping us celebrate this important milestone. We look forward to serving Fairfax County. Thank you.

[00:57:05] Thank you. Thank you very much, Beth, and thank you all for joining us as well. I think we're ready for a photo, and if Supervisor Sizemore Heiser can join me, and the board will rise if you all could come forward and face the audience.

[00:57:41] All right, next we have a resolution to recognize the Fairfax Women's Soccer Association on

[00:58:52] its 50th anniversary and celebrate its long-standing commitment to promoting women's soccer and community engagement, and this was requested by myself. I am going to hand the gavel over to Vice Chairman Smith so that I can read the following resolution. Whereas the Fairfax Women's Soccer Association, FWSA, was founded in 1976 by a group of mothers of youth soccer players who sought opportunities for women to enjoy the physical, social, and emotional benefits of organized soccer.

[00:59:24] And whereas for 50 years, FWSA has promoted women's health, wellness, friendship, and lifelong recreation through organized soccer leagues with age-based divisions serving women ages 19 to over 60, fostering an inclusive and supportive environment for players of all skill levels.

[00:59:45] And whereas FWSA has expanded opportunities for women to participate in soccer through its instructional academy, welcoming those who may not have played in their youth, and its annual tournament, which attracts teams from across the United States to Fairfax County.

[01:00:00] And whereas FWSA has demonstrated a strong commitment to community service through charitable initiatives, supporting local food banks and women's shelters, partnerships with youth soccer organizations and public schools, and collaboration with the Fairfax County Park Authority to preserve athletic fields.

[01:00:18] And whereas FWSA's dedication to physical fitness, social connection, and active aging supports Fairfax County's commitment to building a healthy, inclusive, and age-friendly community while empowering generations of women through sports.

[01:00:34] Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all Fairfax County residents, does hereby commend and congratulate the Fairfax Women's Soccer Association on its 50th anniversary, recognizing five decades of promoting women's health, soccer, wellness, and community engagement.

[01:00:54] I'll second that motion along with a bunch of my colleagues. Discussion on the motion? Yes. Thank you, Madam Chair. I appreciate an opportunity to honor this organization. Fifty years is a long time, but I did want to make sure that we not only acknowledge all they do in the community, the charitable work that you do that was mentioned in the resolution, but really just for the opportunities for all people to engage and to participate and to lead healthier lifestyles. I mentioned there are age divisions here, various age divisions, and I first learned of this organization, I have to mention and embarrass because it's required,

[01:01:34] through Frances, who works in my office, who reminded me that her mother, 64-year-old mother, still plays in the league about three nights a week. And so I don't know about what the rest of us are doing, but, you know, we should get involved.

[01:01:52] It is impressive, but most impressive is the community that you've built and what you're doing. Last night, just about 12 hours ago in the same auditorium, we had a celebration in here of our champions of character, which included youth players, coaches, parents who help support our youth network of athletics.

[01:02:17] And I'm always impressed with the equity elements of that, that we are celebrating both boys and men, but equally women and girls who are playing sports throughout our county. And we take for granted sometimes the opportunities that we have here, the many leagues, the organizations that exist.

[01:02:37] We live in a place where if you want to engage and play in sports throughout your life and recreate and socialize, we have those opportunities out there. And this is as much about celebrating 50 years as it is promotion so that people know this organization exists and know how to engage and to be active and continue to be active in Fairfax County.

[01:03:00] And so last night we honored kids as young as first graders all the way up to seniors who help maintain some of our athletic organizations and maintain our facilities throughout the county. And we know that without all of them engaged, sports in Fairfax County just wouldn't happen.

[01:03:20] And so it's an all-in effort. And the organization that was started here 50 years ago, the Fairfax Women's Soccer Association, continues to thrive to this day. and we'll continue to make residents of Fairfax County aware of the opportunities that exist.

[01:03:36] But really just want to thank you, wish you well in the future. Many more years to come, but 50 is a lot. This is a milestone, and we should let that sink in a little bit and celebrate that. So congratulations. Thank you. Supervisor Herity. Yeah, as somebody who goes out and plays ice hockey every Sunday night, the opportunity to get out and do competitive sports, And I know we have a great women's basketball program here, too.

[01:04:05] But the opportunity just to go out and be competitive, the camaraderie, you know what sports brings. Our young people, it brings our old people a lot of joy, too. So thank you for that. But I think what sets you apart most is your contributions to the community.

[01:04:22] So I really want to thank you for all you do outside of sports. We do some of that, but not to the extent that you all do. So thank you for 50 years of providing the opportunity and 50 years of helping our community. Thank you.

[01:04:37] Supervisor Jimenez. Thank you so much. And I just want to say congratulations and thank you so much. You know, your impacts are just felt throughout the county. Everyone from one of our staff members, Michaela, who played several times a week to last night's honorees.

[01:04:54] Three of our honorees in Mason District were from the soccer community. So we're really excited. Everything that you've done has helped influence where we are right now with soccer. And what are most people excited about when it comes to soccer? The Washington spirit. And so, you know, it's all in part of all the work you've done to help really make soccer so important in this country and in this county.

[01:05:16] So thank you so much for all you do. Thank you. Supervisor Sizemore Heiser. Just really briefly, you know, it struck me when you said you've been doing this for 50 years and Title IX was passed 54 years ago, right? really opening up access to sports for girls in school and in college. And so you're a groundbreaker right there with Title IX in providing access to soccer for adults in our community. And I just want to take a moment to celebrate the historic nature of what you have done for 50 years and what you continue to do. I was a soccer coach for one season because they couldn't find enough people to

[01:05:54] coach soccer. And they're like, well, you teach fitness. You must be able to coach soccer. And I I never played it in my life, and I wish I had. It was a very interesting season. We did win the second half. But I think what you do for a lifelong love of sports, it relates early to what we talked about with the Shepard Center, right?

[01:06:11] Bring health and wellness and fitness and connection is so vital to our community. So even beyond soccer, your impact is ginormous. And I wish I had played with you all before I coached. I knew that was coming.

[01:06:28] Okay. Seeing no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Mr. Chairman. Thank you very much. And as I mentioned, our speaker is Wanda Rickson, the former head commissioner on the executive board of the Fairfax Women's Soccer Association.

[01:06:46] Welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you. Thank you, Chairman. Thank you, Board of Supervisors, for this honor. It is truly a privilege to stand here today and help celebrate the 50th anniversary of Fairfax Women's Soccer Association. It was truly an amazing group of women who started our league.

[01:07:02] I doubt they had any idea what our league would look like 50 years from the start or if it even would survive those early years. They were instrumental in the development of Pine Ridge Park and then years later served on the Green Team to save it from development and ensure that it became a permanent park.

[01:07:22] In addition to saving the park, we have twice partnered with Braddock Road Youth's Club, Neighborhood and Community Services, the Fairfax County Park Authority, and Fairfax County Public Schools to help fund the turfing of both Wakefield Park and Woodson High School, a great example of partnership and collaboration amongst user groups and local government.

[01:07:43] We've had tremendous growth from one division of teams to now offering opportunities for players in age groups 19 and over, 30s, 40s, 50s, and are very active over 60s. We have one family that three generations have participated in the league, an original member, Barb Starrs, her daughters, Siobhan Starrs, and Barb Murillo, and Barb Murillo's daughters, Sydney and Shannon.

[01:08:12] Also, we have a number of mothers and daughters that have played together on a team that was specifically established so they could do just that. Since 1989, we have held our annual Pine Ridge Tournament, drawing teams from the DMV, other parts of the Commonwealth, and out-of-state teams as well.

[01:08:30] We have been and continue to be run by extraordinary volunteers who give a tremendous amount of time to our organization. On November 7th, we will hold our 50th anniversary party, bringing together players from the past, present, and future, ones I'm sure.

[01:08:48] We look forward to many more years of soccer offered by Fairfax Women's Soccer Association. Thank you. Thank you, Wanda. Thank you, Wanda. And before we pose for a picture, I mentioned last night, but I forgot to mention the most important part of last night, which is the chair of the Athletic Council is Lula Bauer, who is the executive director of Lee Mount Vernon Sports Club, a youth organization I played in and coached in.

[01:09:19] And I mention that because this is, and you saw the acknowledgement here, Lula has brought equity in sports to a new level in Fairfax County, and she is the first female to chair the Athletic Council in Fairfax County.

[01:09:34] I appointed her many, many years ago, and it is her tenacious advocacy that will make sure organizations like yours still have plenty of opportunities in Fairfax County to play and to make sure that when fields and other facilities become available that we're always looking at those through the way our residents would expect through an equity lens. And so I wanted to acknowledge that because it was powerful last night to see her running that program as a coach and as a head of a soccer organization and just great stuff. So the legacy of what your group started we're seeing it all over the county now and that's a tribute to

[01:10:14] you and the founders so with that I think we're ready for a photo if you all

[01:10:19] could come on forward and the board can rise rates we now have a resolution to

[01:11:25] recognize celebrate Fairfax on its 43rd anniversary and honor its contributions to community engagement cultural celebrations and bringing residents together across Fairfax County our speaker is Debbie Kilpatrick the chair of the board of directors of Celebrate Fairfax, Inc., and while they are making their way down, I am going to hand the gavel to Vice Chair Smith so that I can read the following resolution.

[01:11:49] Whereas, Celebrate Fairfax was incorporated in December of 1983 with the signing of its Articles of Incorporation and for more than four decades has brought generations together through events, including the Celebrate Fairfax Festival Salute to Lord and Lady Fairfax and Fall for Fairfax fostering community pride cultural appreciation and a strong sense of belonging and whereas celebrate Fairfax evolved from organizing major annual events into a year-round community resource expanding opportunities and strengthening partnerships to meet the changing needs of Fairfax County

[01:12:26] residents businesses and organizations and whereas through rotating gallery exhibit get exhibits a paid curator program shop local markets equipment loans and event guidance, Celebrate Fairfax has supported local artists, small businesses, non-profits, and public agencies, encouraging creativity, collaboration, and community engagement.

[01:12:50] And whereas Celebrate Fairfax demonstrated leadership and innovation in placemaking, working with Fairfax County to transform vacant parking lots and underused spaces into welcoming destinations where residents could connect through arts, culture, and shared experiences.

[01:13:06] And whereas through the dedication of its employees, board members, volunteer and community partners, Celebrate Fairfax has celebrated cultural diversity, recognized service and built lasting connections among residents, businesses and organizations, leaving a legacy of partnership and community spirit.

[01:13:26] Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all the residents of Fairfax County, does hereby congratulate and commend celebrate Fairfax on the occasion of its 43rd anniversary, honoring more than four decades of dedicated service and its lasting contributions to the vitality, character, and quality of life of Fairfax County.

[01:13:50] I'll second that motion along with Supervisor Palczyk. Discussion on the motion. Thank you, Vice Chairman Smith. This is, in a lot of ways, a celebration of a legacy that was created and an evolution as we move forward into the next chapter of this type of civic engagement.

[01:14:07] And so, you know, as the proclamation mentions, this was established in 1983. And at that time, it was called the Facts Fair Corporation. And it was established to set up a countywide celebration that lasted for many, many years in this county.

[01:14:26] But even just in its name, Facts Fair, it was originally established to do just that, create the Fairfax Fair. And what I have seen through Celebrate Fairfax over the years is a real evolution into meeting the needs of residents in Fairfax County today.

[01:14:42] It was way more than a fair. It became way more than a fair. And the work that you've done to try to get to all the corners of the county, the work that Celebrate has done in engaging with our offices and providing support for events, I would say that the accumulation of all of those things have brought more people in Fairfax County together than one single event ever could.

[01:15:08] And your partnership in so many activities that happen throughout the county is wonderful. As we look forward to the new evolution of this and work with Visit Fairfax and other organizations, we're hoping to take the seeds that were planted and turn them into even bigger and better things and making sure that equity is at the forefront of the work that we do.

[01:15:32] Because one of the challenges with a county of this size is meeting the needs of people at every corner of the county. And as much as I loved all the years of the fair and really grateful for all the work that was done to put on that fair, it became very evident to me that it was not meeting the needs of people in every part of the county.

[01:15:54] And this facility that we're sitting in today is a long way for some parts of the county to be able to engage in and participate in. And so the acknowledgement that one event does not satisfy the needs of this county is appreciated, at least by this supervisor.

[01:16:12] And so I want to congratulate you on all the work. As the resolution mentions, this organization wouldn't exist without a whole lot of volunteers, a whole lot of residents who put in their time, a whole lot of businesses that support the work that you've done over many, many years.

[01:16:30] And that spirit will continue because of the foundation that you all have laid. And so, Debbie, and you and your board have been fantastic to work with as we transition into this next chapter. and that legacy will continue to live on, so congratulations.

[01:16:49] Thank you. Supervisor Herity. Yeah, I want to thank you for 43 years of highlighting the best of Fairfax County and promoting our sense of community. I still hear frequently from residents about how much they loved the Celebrate Fairfax Fair that was hosted right here at the Government Center and the Lord and Lady's Fairfax program that recognized our community leaders.

[01:17:11] Thank you for celebrating Fairfax's impact on many generations of Fairfax County residents through those events. They are missed. Thank you. I have Supervisor Palchuk, then Stork. Well, thank you.

[01:17:27] 1983 is a great year to be born. But more seriously, I really want to thank this board and the many boards, but really Ashley and her team, who we've had an opportunity to work with since I've been in this office, from bringing you to the building formerly known as the container store in the park, you really helped create both a place to bring your staff to store your incredible materials and to help pilot ideas and build community across the county.

[01:18:04] So as more than four decades really leads to the opportunity to evolve to the next level to help us better meet the community-building needs we have in the county, which means that in a county that once was very easy to traverse from one end to the other, now as I go from community to community, they're hosting their picnics.

[01:18:27] We're hosting small events because people really, really want to be in person, at home, building community, celebrating each other, family, and everything that we have to offer. And we have everything to offer here in Fairfax. So thank you for your many years of dedication, and I personally am excited to see this next chapter that helps grow and exemplify the best of Fairfax.

[01:18:54] So thank you to Debbie and the board, and thank you, Ashley, and your team. Thank you. I have Supervisor Stork, then Lusk. Thank you, Madam Vice Chair, and thank you, Celebrate, Fairfax, Debbie, the team. You all have made a tremendous difference for us, particularly in the Mount Vernon District.

[01:19:11] You know we hold a lot of events, and you all have been a key partner in supporting those events, not only the supplies and the equipment and the other elements that go with that, but some of the organization, some of the planning, really all the pieces that are essential for, frankly, the success of our Summer Palooza or our Environmental Expo or our Senior Summit or, you know, again, the mini and Tournament of Running, which is going to be this Saturday, et cetera.

[01:19:37] So thank you all very, very much. And I especially want to thank you because this is something that maybe folks in the community don't recognize as much of the role that you played in our Fairfax 250th efforts and celebration.

[01:19:53] And frankly, the experience, the 250 experience that we had at our town meeting, as well as supporting having George Washington join us at our 39th town meeting. So, again, you've done this in so many different ways, and we deeply appreciate it.

[01:20:08] I know the residents and my team especially appreciate that work and support. So thank you very much. Thank you. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you very much, Madam Vice Chairman. Very quickly, I'll just note congratulations on the 43 years. I, too, like Supervisor Herity, remember coming here and enjoying the fair on the grounds of this government-centered property and really enjoyed it.

[01:20:32] As I'm sitting here, I'm going to hearken to a person in particular, and I think Pat will feel the same way about this, Supervisor Herity. I'm thinking about Pete Murphy as he was so involved in Celebrate Fairfax and his role as the unofficial mayor of Celebrate Fairfax.

[01:20:50] I just want to acknowledge his contributions and the work that you've collectively done over the years, and I look forward to the continued and future collaborations. Thank you. Okay, seeing no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[01:21:06] Aye. Anyone opposed, any abstention? That motion carries. Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Vice Chair Smith. And as I mentioned, our speaker is the Chair of the Board of Directors of Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. Debbie Kilpatrick, welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you, Chairman McKay and supervisors.

[01:21:25] We really appreciate the recognition of Celebrate Fairfax's contributions to Fairfax County community for the past 43 years. First, I would like to thank Ashley Morris for her dedication,

professionalism, and loyalty to Celebrate Fairfax for the past 18 years, beginning as a student intern and advancing to the position of CEO and president during these past seven years.

[01:21:53] Her leadership elevated Celebrate Fairfax as the premier events organization throughout the Mid-Atlantic area. In spite of unexpected challenges along the way, my journey with Celebrate Fairfax began in March 2020 with my appointment to the board of directors by Chairman McKay.

[01:22:16] I was so excited to be part of this great organization that had provided major community engagement events such as the festival and fall for Fairfax. However, my excitement quickly became concerned for the mission of Celebrate Fairfax with the shutdown of all in-person activities due to the pandemic.

[01:22:40] During the fall of 2020, Celebrate Fairfax was faced with a recommendation to dissolve due to the lack of revenue, reserves, and with no opportunity to engage our community. I was appointed chair in August 2020, and I knew that our nonprofit organization had to tell our story to you, our supervisors, to understand the value and relevancy of Celebrate Fairfax once community activities eventually opened up again.

[01:23:12] We knew that Celebrate Fairfax needed to be ready to welcome back the community, both in your districts and countywide. Ashley and I worked diligently to connect and engage with you to share our vision for Celebrate Fairfax's future.

[01:23:32] To be ready to re-engage the community through meaningful experiences, programs, events, and to highlight the benefit of living in Fairfax County. We are so appreciative of you and your staff's support during Celebrate Fairfax's recovery, rebuild, and relaunch phases.

[01:23:57] Because Celebrate Fairfax became a contributory agency, we were able to reestablish our organization as a valued partner with Fairfax County, local service agencies, and a variety of community nonprofits.

[01:24:13] We evolved the services we offered and rebuilt our board of directors with community advocates, redefining our vision, mission, and values. We are very proud to have offered over 240 free events these past five years.

[01:24:36] Our principles have always been centered on people, places, and shared experiences for all to embrace a sense of belonging and building community. While Celebrate Fairfax is no longer a county contributory partner, we want to thank you for your support and belief in our ability to serve the Fairfax County community.

[01:25:00] Again, thank you for recognizing Celebrate Fairfax's contributions to the county. We really, truly appreciate it. Thank you, Debbie. Thank you very much.

[01:25:18] And with that, we're ready for a photo. And if you all could come forward and face the audience, and the board will rise.

[01:27:13] The board is changing.

[01:27:33] We have a final proclamation this morning, which is to designate November 14, 2026, as Fairfax County Recycles Day and Stormwater Day in Fairfax County. And this was requested by myself and Supervisors Herity, Palchuk, and Lusk.

[01:27:49] Our speaker is Kirsten Sabina Buchner, Management Analyst 2 of the Solid Waste Management Program in Fairfax County, and a whole lot of her closest friends and co-workers who are making their way down as well.

[01:28:06] And while they are doing that, I am going to recognize the chair of our Environmental Committee, Supervisor Palchuk, to read the proclamation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Whereas Fairfax County government established Fairfax County Recycles Day in conjunction with America Recycles Day, observed nationally on November 15th to promote recycling, while the National Municipal Stormwater Alliance, NMSA, designated November 16th as National Stormwater Day.

[01:28:38] And whereas the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services Solid Waste Management Program, SWMP, is dedicated to keeping Fairfax County clean, healthy, and sustainable through the collection, transfer, and processing of recyclables.

[01:28:58] And whereas the county's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, MS4, program works to reduce pollution in streams and rivers from stormwater runoff through training, outreach, maintenance of stormwater management facilities, and stream and wetland restoration projects, protecting the health, safety, and welfare of county residents.

[01:29:22] And whereas the health, safety, and welfare of Fairfax County residents depend on the stormwater and solid waste management facilities, programs, and services, and whereas community engagement and public awareness are vital to supporting stormwater and solid waste management efforts, protecting natural resources, and preserving the environment for current and future generations.

[01:29:49] Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on behalf of all residents of Fairfax County does hereby proclaim November 14, 2026, as Fairfax Recycles and Stormwater Day in Fairfax County and urges all residents to learn about the services and programs provided by the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, stormwater and solid waste management programs, and recognize the dedication of staff to protecting our community's health, safety, and welfare.

[01:30:28] Chair, we'll second that, along with Supervisors Behrman, everyone. I think we'll say everyone. Discussion on the motion, Supervisor Belchick. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you to all of you.

[01:30:45] As someone who had the opportunity to grow up in this community, every day when I pass a stormwater site, a stream restoration, work we've done in the places where I learn to explore and run and enjoy the community. It is just incredible to understand now the work and the impact that that has. But it's not easy. First, the recycling outreach and engagement. To me, outreach and engagement are huge. As you know, it's not easy. But when you do an excellent job of starting with that outreach, having those conversations, having the tough conversations,

[01:31:23] it really helps us ensure excellent outcomes. When it comes to our trash and recycling, I really appreciate the new content your teams have created, both in Spanish and Korean, for our residents, making videos that are really pretty cool, if you haven't seen them yet.

[01:31:46] Some of the video series, including Real Trashy, or Pura Basura, and Trash Talk, Hablemos Basura, have increased engagement with our recycling programs. And they really teach all of us and engage. You also have a Spanish-language episode of Trash Talk, focused on composting, which won a 2026 Capital Emmy.

[01:32:06] The first Emmy awarded to Channel 16 for a Spanish-language production. So thank you to you and your teams for all the work, and Channel 16 for your support. We know that your staff have participated in over a dozen community events, many of them.

[01:32:22] We thank you for joining our events as well, and over 1,000 residents are recycling and county services. Then we turn to stormwater management. Since 2009, the county has completed more than 500 stormwater capital projects across the county's 30 watersheds.

[01:32:42] And for me, again, the really critical piece there is Danielle Nguyen here. No. So she was the first person I met on the school board doing a project in my elementary school and got to learn how important it is and to see the whole landscape changed from a much less environmentally sound backyard to the school to really a place that I love to see kids grow, share and learn.

[01:33:16] And it just changes the whole environment, from the trees to the restoration and how we do that for our kids. And last but not least, the Operation Stream Shield crews have collected more than 4,749 bags of trash and counting and 1,088 bags of invasive plants.

[01:33:37] And I know many of us have gone out there, will continue to go out there and do this work. But we know that we're just helping spread the word. But your critical expertise, rolling up your sleeves, these are a little long on me, but rolling up your sleeves and helping us understand that we all care about the environment and our trees, our backyards, our streams, and learning together and really spreading that word through our schools, through our students, but also across the community.

[01:34:09] To me, that's what our environmental committee is about. So thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Palchuk, and we're going to try to keep this brief because I know you all have been here a long time this morning. So with brevity in mind, we'll start on my left, Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[01:34:25] I very much appreciate the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services for all that they have done to support residents of the Front County District. In addition to what has already been said, strong partnerships have allowed your reach to extend even further.

[01:34:42] In partnership with NCS, the first ever zero waste ambassador course for teenagers was held at the new Franconia Governmental Center over the summer. Very well appreciated and highly attended. In partnership with Nature Forward, Hyper Valley residents have learned about invasive species and received the necessary supplies to clean up their neighborhoods.

[01:35:06] And it was a pleasure for me to join in a number of those cleanups. And most recently, revenue from the plastic bag tax has enabled your department to provide 700 recycling bins to the Audubon Estates mobile home community.

[01:35:24] And this is an area where the community expressed concerns about litter, pervasive issue in their community, and they were looking for a way to get resources to help. So I want to say thank you for the education, the outreach, and the advocacy that your agency has been providing for recycling and stormwater issues here in Fairfax County.

[01:35:48] Thank you, Supervisor Luss, Supervisor Behrman. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The purpose of democratic self-government is to solve collective action problem, right? It's, you know, any one person who recycles today probably isn't saving the entire environment.

[01:36:04] But if we all together recycle, then we make a real impact. The stormwater that runs off of one property may or may not change the health of the stream. But the stormwater that runs off of everybody's property would really have a big impact.

[01:36:24] So the whole point of government is to come together and to try to solve those kinds of problems. And I just love looking out at a group of people who I know work so hard on that every day and who, ironically today, because we are all wearing these high visibility shirts, do not nearly get enough acknowledgement.

[01:36:44] You guys are heroes in this county because you are trying to move things forward and make things better for everybody, even if any one individual does not realize the work that you're doing.

[01:36:59] So with that, I just wanted to say thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Behrman, Supervisor Alcorn. Yeah, just very quickly, I had a little bit of a conundrum today. Do I wear the solid waist or do I wear the stormwater thing? So I went with solid waist, which is a little cooler.

[01:37:15] So but I did want to not only thank you, but but, you know, these what you guys do is core is a core local government service or set of services. So, you know, thank you for doing that. But it's not only core, it's also changing and it's evolving.

[01:37:33] And I really appreciate you all working everything that you do every day, but also working with us as we figure out, you know, what's next? What do we need to do? What do we need to focus on? And that really working partnership that we've established over the years is so critical, not just to us, but obviously to our community and to the environment.

[01:37:57] So thank you all. Thank you. Supervisor Herity. Yeah, and I'm going to try to be quick and not repeat what's been said about Stream Shield and that. But, you know, for your point, well, first, let me start by thanking you all. What you all do, day and night, rain, snow, it is incredible.

[01:38:19] A lot of times you are first responders. I mean, a lot of you are the ones that clear out driveways and parking lots when it snows and take care of floods when those happen. So I want to thank you, first of all, for what you do.

[01:38:36] But to go to Supervisor Alcorn's point, we've got to evolve. What you did with the Purple Can Club, amazing, we created a market for glass. Now there's a market for glass. We can get back to curbside single, making it easier, increasing the amount that we recycle.

[01:38:59] Today's kind of about awareness of what you all do in Recycles Day. I wanted to talk a minute about batteries, because right now one of the biggest threats, at least in the solid waste side, is batteries. We've had to make investments in our facilities.

[01:39:19] We've had to monitor batteries. I frequently hear questions from residents and businesses asking where they can recycle batteries, not in your recycle or your trash bins, But battery cycle locations are housed at our two solid waste disposal sites at I-65, I-95, and 66 libraries.

[01:39:41] And what I learned is local hardware stores, many of them in office supply stores, will take batteries back. But we regularly have fires in facilities. We have fires in our trash vehicles. So I think that's the one thing that would be useful to share with our residents as we move forward to keep you all safe.

[01:40:03] because a big part of it is keeping you all safe there are going to be two battery recycle options on recycles day one is it the DPWS recycles day event the other one will be in Herndon hosted by our our

trash haulers so good opportunity to get the word out to residents but thank you all for what you do it really is important and you're important to our residents and us thank you Supervisor Harrity and I'm just going to mention that the title of this is a little bit misleading because this is to designate November 14th as Fairfax recycles day in stormwater day in Fairfax County and what

[01:40:39] we know is that's every day not November 14th but 365 days a year and you know one of the things I think we're most grateful for is our residents to a person just about to a person will do the right thing when it comes to environmental sustainability if they understand what that is and so I do want to highlight the education piece of what you do, because not everyone in our county instinctively knows the right things to do to reduce stormwater, the right things to recycle and how to recycle those, and the education component of what you do or why we have such high numbers and

[01:41:19] why we have people in this county who want to comply and do the right thing when armed with the right information. And so I can't emphasize how important that is. And then lastly, just to just be redundant a little bit, but I mean, we're wearing these high visibility jackets today really because we're in solidarity with the men and women who are out there in the field and even in the offices, giving the back support to make sure that all of these things in our community that are fundamental to county government happen.

[01:41:49] And I do want to point out that there are throngs of people wearing these same vests right now who aren't here today, who are out there doing the work in our community that so many people in Fairfax County rely on. And so I want to thank the entire team of folks who do this.

[01:42:06] As was mentioned earlier, it is critical, core, essential county government services, but in many cases also first responders. And I've been in communities that have dealt with massive flooding events in the past, and it is not always a pleasant situation.

[01:42:25] I know when we have major rainstorms that are predicted and forecast in this area that there's a lot of coordination between many of the people here in front of us, as well as our emergency communicators and some of the other departments that we have in the county, emergency management, to always do everything we can to proactively protect the residents and property of Fairfax County.

[01:42:48] And then lastly, these two things are very related. People don't think about the relationship between stormwater and recycling, but at the core of all of that is protection of the planet. And if we're not doing that together, our planet will not continue to thrive.

[01:43:06] And if we are not being mindful of the things we can do to prevent major storm events, to prevent major flooding in our community, then we're losing an opportunity. And I am grateful that we have put additional money and resources into so many of our environmental initiatives in Fairfax County, that we have increased money that goes into floodplain or flood mitigation in parts of the county, including a lot of our older parts of the county that don't have built-in good systems of drainage. And so all of these things

[01:43:41] are related to being good stewards of the planet and to recognizing and appreciating the people who are out there every day doing the work and the education for our community to be more resilient. And that's really what today is about. It's not about one day. It's about all of that.

[01:43:58] So with that, I think we're ready for a vote. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And as I mentioned, our speaker is Kirsten Sabina

Bauchner, Management Analyst 2 of the Solid Waste Management Program in Fairfax County. And I really hope I pronounced that right. But if I did not, please correct.

[01:44:21] Close enough. Thank you so much. Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. Thank you so much for the opportunity to speak today. I'm super honored to speak on behalf of this incredible group of people behind me to share about Stormwater and Fairfax Recycles Day, which will be taking place on Saturday, November 14, 2026 at Glen Forest Elementary School in Falls Church. This event is an important part of our county's ongoing commitment for responsible stormwater and waste management, environmental stewardship, and community engagement. We thank the board for your support of

[01:44:57] our programs with this morning's proclamation, and for consistently championing our efforts outside the boardroom. As in previous years, this event will again feature one of our most popular attractions, the Touch a Truck Experience. Families will have the opportunity to explore a variety of county vehicles up close, meet the staff who operate them, and learn more about the essential services that our incredible teams provide every single day. It's a fun way to connect residents, especially our youngest ones, with the people and the equipment that help keep Fairfax County running. The event will also include drop-off stations for hard-to-recycle

[01:45:32] items such as electronic waste and batteries. These materials often end up in the waste stream because residents aren't sure where to take them. Stormwater and Fairfax Recycles Day will give our community a convenient, environmentally responsible solution. When we offer residents multiple opportunities to dispose of waste correctly, we protect our stormwater system, prevent pollution, and keep our streams clean. This year, we are proud to continue our partnerships with ECHO and the Springfield Masonic Lodge No. 217, and we're pleased to welcome a new partner, FASETS.

[01:46:06] Together, these organizations help ensure that items donated by residents can be put to good use, supporting neighbors in need. These partnerships highlight how environmental responsibility and community care can go hand-in-hand. In line with One Fairfax Goals for Community Engagement, we continue our tradition of rotating the event location each year to make it accessible to residents across the county.

[01:46:28] Two years ago, Fairfax Recycles Day was held at the South County Government Building, on Route 1. Last year it was at the Backlick VRE station in Springfield. This year we're excited to host the event at Glen Forest Elementary School in Falls Church. This rotation allows us to reach new communities and encourage broader county-wide participation. Stormwater and Fairfax Recycles Day demonstrates what we can accomplish when county agencies, non-profit partners, and residents come together with a shared purpose. We hope you will help us spread the word and encourage your constituents to join us on November 14th for a day of learning, community connection, and

[01:47:04] sustainability in action. Thank you for your time and for your continued support of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, Stormwater, and Solid Waste Management Initiatives. Thank you very much. Well said, and thank you all for being here. It matters. And with that, we're ready for a photo. And if you all could come forward and face the audience,

[01:47:32] Supervisor Palachuk will join me and the board will rise. Next up, we have a presentation by

[01:50:01] History Commission of its annual report and I would welcome to the podium Subhi Mehdi chair of the Fairfax County History Commission who is accompanied by a lot of her closest friends from the Commission as well as Delegate Gretchen Bulova thank you for hanging out all morning with us so that you can give us this important report and with that I'm going to turn the microphone over to you So Chairman McKay, Vice Chair Smith, members of the board, thank you for the opportunity for the Fairfax County History Commission to present our annual report today.

[01:50:39] We want to update you on our accomplishments for fiscal year 26 and the challenges we see ahead. My name is Subhi Mehdi, and I'm the current chair of the History Commission. But more than that, I'm a Fairfax County resident for 46 years.

[01:50:57] This is the county where I swore my allegiance to the United States, and the county that embraced me as a new citizen 37 years ago. I'm grateful to this place in so many ways, and honored to be able to give back a little.

[01:51:19] Standing with me are my extraordinary colleagues. We are not as big as the stormwater, but just as my team. So let me just quickly introduce Carmen Powell, Hunter Mill, Toddy Carnes Franconia, Michelle R. Curry Rose Drainville, Anne Stuntz, Hunter Mill, Gretchen Bulova Braddock, Tammy Manarino Montvernon, Sukhovek Schumann Providence District.

[01:51:47] The commission has been serving the county for more than 57 years. We advise the board and county agencies about the historic properties in their care and promote public interest in the rich history of Fairfax County. Our work aligns well with the county strategic plan.

[01:52:05] I'm looking at you, Mr. Hill. Particularly the key drivers of equity, community outcome, and inclusive engagement. Our budget remains at \$21,013 since 2011. So we have two major initiatives for fiscal year 26.

[01:52:28] The first one was commemorating the semi-quincentennial, led by Providence District Commissioner Sukovak Schumann through two key efforts. The first one was a docuseries produced in partnership with Channel 16.

[01:52:45] It featured oral history interviews where diverse county residents reflected on our nation's founding principles. It's on the Channel 16 website. I'll make sure that you guys get a link and watch it.

[01:53:02] It's really something. The second one was the April History Conference, which drew about 250 participants in this building, featuring renowned speakers, student presentations, and interactive sessions hosted in partnership with George Mason University, the Fairfax 250 Commission, and the Fairfax Historical Society.

[01:53:26] Chairman McKay, thank you for opening the conference for us. And thank you, Supervisor Palczyk, for your support of Commissioner Sukovak Schumann. Our second set of commemorative activities originated from the board positioning Fairfax County as a leader in marking the 250th anniversary of our nation.

[01:53:51] Almost all members of the History Commission supported the 250th, both inside the county and in neighboring jurisdictions. Four History Commissioners served directly on the Fairfax 250 Commission, including Gretchen Bulova, Tammy Manorino, Jane McPherson, and me.

[01:54:11] As the Fairfax 250 Commission sunsets at the end of fiscal year 27, the History Commission will continue to support the VA 250 in executing its mission through 2031. The second major initiative in fiscal year 26 was establishing a formal park authority liaison position to improve strategic communication with that organization.

[01:54:42] And this position is filled by Commissioner Toddy Carnes from Franconia District. While the park authority stewards roughly 15% of our inventory of historic sites, preserving them with shrinking budget remains a challenge.

[01:55:00] Furthermore, the Park Authority recently chose to renovate the archaeology collections facility rather than build a new one as was planned, and they reallocated bond funds to other projects, jeopardizing the facility's reaccreditation.

[01:55:22] The outreach section of our report continues our journey of accomplishments and challenges. Last week marked the 60th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act.

[01:55:38] The Fairfax County History Commission is deeply concerned about the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's proposed revision to Section 106 of this Act. These revisions will severely weaken the 106 process and disregard local knowledge and professional expertise that are indispensable to understanding those impacts.

[01:56:04] Chairman McKay, the History Commission appreciates the strong letter that you sent to the Advisory Council in September reflecting these concerns. We are keenly following how the Dulles Airport redevelopment project is executing the Section 106 consultation process.

[01:56:22] And we will keep you updated of any concerns if needed. Just a little footnote, the vast majority of Dulles Airport falls in Loudoun County, as you know, including the main terminal. A little bit in the southeastern part belongs to the Sully District.

[01:56:43] Supervisor Stork, you'll be happy to know that our outreach efforts from previous years have resulted in the successful inclusion of the Randall Estates Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places. And thank you for your strong support of Commissioner Tammy Manorino.

[01:57:03] Departing from that little good news, I must highlight that we are continuing to monitor and advocate for our amazing historic courthouse. Chairman McKay, thank you for your response to our letter in January. The challenge here is to obtain funding for the repairs while safely storing extremely rare historic records in the interim.

[01:57:26] We added three new properties to our threatened sites list. The first one, the Olander and Margaret Banks house in the Franconia district. The Park Authority Board voted in March 26 to explore options for developing a planned park, but one of the options includes demolishing this historic house.

[01:57:51] The second property is the Laurel Hill in Mount Vernon. It's owned by you, by the Board of Supervisors, with the surrounding parkland owned by the Park Authority. And the house is currently, unfortunately, the house is currently undergoing demolition by neglect.

[01:58:11] The third property is the Robert Wheelie House in the Hunter Mill District. Built in 1895, this uninsured home suffered major tree damage in July 2026, prompting the owner to seek public-private restoration support.

[01:58:31] So let's move on to the efforts of our various longstanding committees. We already mentioned the oral history and the conference committees under Sukovak Schumann. The advocacy committee under Commissioner Anstent's leadership continued its outreach activities at county and community events, especially with 250th information. The committee was also instrumental in working on complex preservation issues at Dunlaring School and Fort Belvoir. Under the leadership of Commissioner Brian Hines,

[01:59:10] he's our school teacher, he's our school history teacher, he was here for a few minutes and had to leave, from the Braddock District. Under his leadership, we presented two awards this year, both were monetary in nature. Under Commissioner Tammy Manorino's leadership, the Inventory Committee assisted the Heritage Resources Branch to amend the state-required comprehensive plan with historic sites added since 2018, as well as revised definitions and other updates.

[01:59:45] I wanted to show you this chart that indicates that the county owns about 20% of the properties in the Inventory of Historic Sites, about 10 of which are fully or partially owned by you, the Board of Supervisors.

[02:00:02] The Historic Marker Committee is chaired by Commissioner Cheryl Ann Rappetti. Under her leadership, two markers were unveiled in fiscal year 26. We talked about the Louise Archer unveiling at last year's presentation to you, But we included it again this year because it was a fiscal year 26 accomplishment.

[02:00:28] The Goins marker in the Braddock District that celebrates James Milton Goins' legacy was the second unveiling. And Supervisor Seismore Heiser, thank you for your presence and words at that event. The other historic markers that are in the pipeline are for the First Baptist Church of Merrifield in the Providence District, the Springbank Colored School in the Mount Vernon District, and Dolly Madison's Flight from Washington in the Drainseville District.

[02:01:00] So we'd like to leave you with a few requests. Can't come here and not have asks for your support. So please continue to advocate against the changes to the National Historic Preservation Law, especially Section 106.

[02:01:16] Please help us establish a monitoring process for county-owned historic sites as we currently learn of despair or demolition too late in the process. Please expedite funding for the historic courthouse repairs and for the interim archival storage of our irreplaceable historic records.

[02:01:41] Lastly, please prioritize funding for the Park Authority Collections Facility to ensure retention of its accreditation. At full strength, our commission is comprised of 21 members, and we maintained our strong cadre of 17 members through fiscal year 26.

[02:02:03] But I'm sad to say that we will be losing Gretchen Boulevard at the end of this calendar year after 20 years of stellar service to the History Commission. I want to thank my remarkable colleagues in supporting me to achieve our mission.

[02:02:21] I want to thank DPD's Heritage Resource Branch, especially Stephanie Newman and Dennis Dressel, who continue to guide and support us in our operations. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve the people of Fairfax County, and we look forward to continuing our work in fiscal year 27 and beyond.

[02:02:43] And I'm happy to answer any questions with my support team here. Thank you very much. Excellent presentation. Thank you for your excellent presentation. And thank you for beginning it with your personal story, because it is one that so many people in Fairfax County share and is an important part of our history.

[02:03:05] And so, and in saying that, I will say I am particularly grateful at the shift the History Commission made some years ago to make sure that we were, in fact, telling our entire story and making sure that the diversity of Fairfax County and the history of when people came here and what they contributed to our community was whole.

[02:03:27] And I credit the History Commission a great deal for that. I also want to thank you for all the work you did on the 250 celebration. I think Fairfax County was a star in this state and what we were able to do, and we couldn't have done that without you. We are losing Gretchen after 20 years, but I would be more upset if we were really losing Gretchen.

[02:03:49] What we're really doing is sending her to another place where she can continue in a stellar way to advocate for our history, not just here in Fairfax County, but in the entire Commonwealth of Virginia. So thank you for your 20 years of service.

[02:04:06] And lastly, I want to comment on the Section 106 part because this came up recently, and we were happy to weigh in on this. I mean, the History Commission has been a trusted partner in providing information when the federal government is looking to do things.

[02:04:23] And frankly, we can't ignore there's a big elephant in the room right now. You know, I can remember standing in the East Wing of the White House for the holidays, the holiday celebration with several folks from the administration, Virginia administration, who were there.

[02:04:42] And little did we know that a wrecking ball was going to come and destroy a part of the White House with really no oversight whatsoever. And so if this was a general policy shift in normal times, we would be concerned and write the letter.

[02:04:59] But I appreciate you highlighting it and several others in the county who brought this to my attention, because based on recent activities, there's reason to be tremendously concerned about the federal government as a partner in historic preservation and a partner with state and local governments and being concerned about the granular details and information we know about these properties that are so important.

[02:05:26] So this is a very real sound the fire alarm moment, and I appreciate your advocacy on that. And then I also want to thank you for continuing to support the work on the courthouse repairs. I had lunch last week with our chief judge and our clerk of the court, and they were extraordinarily grateful of the resources we've put into their facilities and were very clear on what needs to continue to happen there in the years ahead.

[02:05:54] And our courthouse is, like in most communities, when it comes to the core of our history, many times it is met in a courthouse a school building significant landmark in a community and and preserving our courthouse and and you know continuing to support that is important to me and I know important in this board and we will continue to do that and appreciated their gratefulness and the resources that we have already supported to do that so thank you for the report very concise I appreciate that there are always asks in it because we don't know

[02:06:31] everything. And the reason we have boards, authorities, and commissions are to bring the very things that you've brought to our attention to our attention and ask on, you know, all of us to take action. And so we appreciate that there is a call to action on some things in here and the work that you continue to do. So thank you. With that, yes, we have a lot of folks that want to be recognized. So I will start with Supervisor Palchik. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Again, not a question, but a thank you. Just yesterday, I was talking to someone, and they told me, oh, we have so many museums in Alexandria. And I said, yes, Gretchen is fabulous. But did you know that

[02:07:08] we have both George and Martha Washington's wills right in Fairfax, in the county, in the judicial complex? And so I very much appreciate that, both the physical spaces, but the education and the learning. And I know Gretchen's down in Richmond helping get support to help us make sure that we are able to bring more light, both to improve the physical spaces, but to really make it an educational, historic landmark that people don't know is in our backyard and what is contained in it. And so while we continue to focus on the repairs and the preservation,

[02:07:46] to me, you know, history's not just about the wars we fought, right? It's about the people, the places and the activities that have happened, and we can never finish that work. So I am so grateful and want to continue to partner with you in our community on ensuring that we tell the stories, the stories of the famous.

[02:08:07] And one of my favorites is looking at the old records that have the soldiers who wrote all over literature. It's just really exciting history in the county. I mean, I'm excited to continue to work with the History Commission and perhaps the opportunity of the 250th Commission, I believe, continuing for a bit longer to help us ensure that we tell those stories and that we make them accessible to more people in the community.

[02:08:34] So thank you. Thank you. I'm not sure which colleagues raised their hands, but right now I have Alcorn and Bierman. Thank you, Madam Vice Chair. I just want to add my thanks. There's a couple things I do want to mention. First of all, from several years ago, I know I thanked you for this already, but what you all did on the Confederate Names Inventory and that project a few years ago was incredible.

[02:09:01] I know coordinating with Supervisor Paul Cech on some challenging issues at the time, we just didn't have the staff to do that. And you all stepped up with some help from an intern or two and really pulled it off. It was so helpful at the time.

[02:09:19] And also just wanted to thank you for flagging a couple of properties, the old wheelie buildings in Hunter Mill, and identifying those as needs. And I did also, lastly, want to flag, I know there's a lot of activity in some parts of the town of Vienna about Jeremiah Moore, who, of course, was the Baptist preacher who was jailed for preaching without a license.

[02:09:46] and ultimately became very important in the development of the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, which ultimately was incorporated in the First Amendment. So anyway, appreciate everything you're doing. Look forward to continuing the partnership. Thank you. Thank you.

[02:10:01] I have Supervisor Bierman and Herity. How would you all feel if we convened a joint meeting of the Park Authority Board and your board at some point? I thought so. Michelle talked to me about that. I know it wasn't one of your formal asks, but I see that strengthening ties with the Fairfax County Park Authority was one of the goals of this year.

[02:10:24] I know that so many of our parks have historical significance and that we often see a big intersection and overlap there. So I think it would be extremely useful at some point to bring both boards together to discuss these issues and to continue work and to chart a path forward for how to work better together down the line.

[02:10:47] So I just wanted to throw my advocacy behind that idea, and thank you for all the work that you do. Thank you. Supervisor Herity, then Stuart. Yeah, and if that were a motion, I'd be seconding it because that is a good idea, and it should be done. And the issues are kind of familiar and similar, and I want to thank you for your focus on maintaining and renovating what we have and maintaining an inventory of that.

[02:11:14] The fact that we knew about the condition of the courthouse and didn't fund the maintenance and renovation when we needed to, so it was closed during the 250th, and people couldn't go there and see the will. we need to we need to keep our eyes on maintenance and I think with the Park Authority they've got some of the same issues with maintenance and maintenance funding so we got a lot of a lot of work to do there but I want to thank you for your work and thank you on that focus for sure very much appreciated thank you Supervisor Stork thank you madam vice-chair and and and I absolutely want

[02:11:52] to thank you all for your service and specifically obviously I have to thank I thank Delegate Gretchen Bolva for your long, long service, not only here, but in the City of Alexandria, but especially here. And stepping in on Fairfax 250th, because we had a number of challenges about how to bring all those different pieces together.

[02:12:12] And your organization, your leadership, your ability to bring folks together and get things done quickly made a huge difference. Obviously, next to you is one of my favorite Mount Vernon residents and clearly the historian extraordinaire, not only Tammy Manorino, who not only with the things that she's done at Fort Belvoir, the national impact that she's had at Fort Belvoir, but even more importantly, throughout the different key residences as well as communities, not only Gum Springs, But especially, I appreciate the conversations and the work

[02:12:51] that we had to address really the many other elements of the community, but especially Randall Estates. People don't really know that history. And frankly, I know you and many others-- I don't want to limit that-- but many others identified a core challenge that Fairfax County had, especially decades ago with our racially restrictive covenants and the deed restrictions that went with that, and the fact that African-American folks, black folks who wanted to have a suburban home, frankly, didn't have the opportunity to do that

[02:13:29] because of those racially restrictive covenants. And I give credit to Jube Shiver and so many others who, frankly, saw that need and went after the development of that. And now that it's listed on the National Register of Historic Places, as of this year, I think is a great way to acknowledge and preserve that.

[02:13:50] I also want to recognize the county attorney and the work that this board did a few years ago to identify ways and really mechanism for removing those racially restrictive covenants. Now, admittedly, they've not been enforceable for decades, but the fact that they're still there, to me, is a blight on all of us and one that if we can remove it and recognize, not only recognize the history, but also recognize going forward that we have different standards for ourselves and for our communities.

[02:14:22] So I think I've said most of the key things, but there have been so many other areas that you all have been supportive and key, and I know we still have properties that need more attention. I especially love the resident curator program. I would love to see more of our homes to be part of that.

[02:14:39] I don't think it's an expensive program. I don't think it has to be an expensive program, but yet we have properties that are in great need of being preserved in that way, and hopefully we'll make more progress on that. And again, I want to also thank Ann Barnes and Holly Irwin for their work as Mount Vernon District appointees.

[02:14:58] So my pleasure. Thank you all. Thank you. Supervisor Sizemore Heiser. Thank you. Thank you to my colleague here. So I would be remiss if I didn't take a chance to thank my appointee and my delegate, Not my personal delegate, but the delegate represents Braddock and a dear friend, Delegate Bolova, for her 20 years of service to the History Commission as she moves.

[02:15:24] Continues to serve us in a different way and in a very needed way. But I just want to thank you for all the work you've done. You are leaving me very big shoes to fill. But I know. And one thing that the Braddock District Office, we've been talking about with my staff, is lifting up the history, not just of the places, right, but the people within our county and the stories of the people.

[02:15:45] almost like an oral history, especially as our county is aging. And we have people here who've had amazing careers and lives. And so that is a project we're embarking on in some ways to honor the work that one of my predecessors, former chairman Sharon Bulova, you may know her, did as well.

[02:16:05] But I think documenting people's personal stories and history, because it is what weaves the fabric of our history together. So thank you for sharing yours as well. It is the same story as my parents, so it is deeply meaningful to me as well.

[02:16:20] But I just wanted to take a moment to thank all of your work, but in particular, Delegate Boulava, and I will miss working with you in this capacity, but I'm glad to work with you in a different capacity. May I just say something here? Your statement just reminded me.

[02:16:35] We are currently embarking on an oral history project to capture the history of a dying group of people. Those are the Vietnam veterans of Fairfax County.

[02:16:52] So we are looking, we are asking you to identify for your districts any candidates that we can interview and capture their history. And by veterans, combat, non-combat, anybody from that era. So please reach out to us if you can think of any names.

[02:17:11] Thank you. Thank you very much. Sue Kovac, yeah. Sue is leading that effort, so reach out to Sue Kovac. Okay. Well, I want to thank you all for your work, your commitment to the history of our county and preserving that and helping inform the public about the importance of us understanding our past.

[02:17:32] So thank you very much. I appreciate it. Okay. Thank you. Thank you. Okay. Thank you. I was going to... Not to worry. Sure.

[02:17:51] Sorry about that. Yes. Let's do a photo. If you all could come forward and face the audience.

[02:18:05] All right. Next, we have appointments to boards, authorities, commissions, and advisory groups.

[02:19:08] And let me ask Supervisor Smith if she has a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move approval of the appointments to boards, authorities, and commissions in the document dated October 27, 2026. And the chair will second that. And I will just draw people's attention.

[02:19:25] The bulk of this is standing up the new Environmental Commission. So I just wanted to thank all my colleagues for the work they did in generating what really appears to be an outstanding list of people to serve on that. And let me ask board members if there's any appointments they have questions about or would like to vote on separately.

[02:19:44] Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And we now are going to move on to board matters. And let me start with my first, but I'm going to turn the gavel over to Vice Chair Smith.

[02:20:05] And I will start with my first board matter, which is to approve without objection the proclamation request listed in this document to be presented inside and outside the boardroom as appropriate. I'm not going to read all these. You have the whole list in front of me. I thank my colleagues for sending them in and allowing us to do this in a very streamlined way.

[02:20:24] before we move on from these I want to encourage folks if they do have board matters for proclamations or presentations in the boardroom to keep them this brief if we can because the point of the long ones is when they're here when we want to say all those great things about them not to get support to bring them before the board and I think that will help expedite things significantly but thank my colleagues for all their contributions to this list and I offer that without objection.

[02:20:53] Oh, without objection. It's so worth it. I'm sorry. Thank you, Supervisor Smith. My second board matter is with Supervisor Smith, and this is Fairfax County. Oh, no, I'm sorry. That's Kathy. That is your board matter. That is your board matter with me. And so that is the end of my board matters, and I will now recognize Supervisor Smith.

[02:21:12] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Fairfax County Engagement with Virginia Executive Order 22 Data Centers. On September 18, 2026, Governor Spanberger issued Executive Order 22, launching the Virginia Data Center Accountability Framework focused on community engagement, environmental protection, energy affordability, clean energy, and workforce development.

[02:21:36] The executive order strengthens transparency by requiring public disclosure of material information about proposed data center projects, including incentives, resource demands, and potential community impacts. It also directs state agencies to develop new standards, guidance, and tools, such as model community engagement and impact evaluation practices, for use in data center oversight.

[02:22:00] The executive order strengthens the Commonwealth's role in regulating key components of data center operations that Fairfax County cannot control, including energy infrastructure, air quality, and water-related impacts. As the Commonwealth develops its policies, the county should remain engaged to ensure local concerns and experiences inform the process.

[02:22:21] Fairfax County has already taken significant steps to manage and better understand the impacts of data center development. In 2024, the county adopted targeted zoning ordinance amendments to clarify where data centers are allowed and what size they can be, require pre- and post-construction noise studies, visual screening, and certain building design standards.

[02:22:43] Complementary updates to the Comprehensive Plan in 2025 provide guidance on data center siting, address compatibility with surrounding uses, and incorporate considerations related to air quality, energy sources, and water usage. Together, these efforts have strengthened the county's development framework for data centers, positioning Fairfax County to engage constructively with the state's evolving policies on data center development.

[02:23:08] As our partners at the Commonwealth work to implement the Governor's Data Center Accountability Framework, I want to ensure that we, as a county, continue to be proactive in our pursuit of responsible data center development. As such, I move that the board direct the county executive to address the following topics.

[02:23:28] Engagement with the Commonwealth on the ongoing efforts associated with Executive Order 22. As the economic engine of the Commonwealth, it is important for Fairfax County to be fully engaged in the state's work to develop new standards, transparency tools, and community-focused policies for data center development.

[02:23:46] Participation in these discussions will ensure that the county's needs, challenges, and experiences are represented as decisions are made that will directly affect our residents, infrastructure, and long-term planning. Evaluate Community Benefits Plans, CBPs, as a best practice for encouraging developers to address local impacts and provide measurable community benefits, including workforce opportunities and infrastructure improvements.

[02:24:12] Consider whether improvements can be made to the county's existing information-sharing processes for data center projects. The county makes information about data center projects available to residents as part of the public-facing zoning and site plan development processes.

[02:24:29] This allows residents, staff, and decision-makers to access critical details about these projects, including projected community impacts. The county does not enter into non-disclosure agreements, NDAs, that constrain information sharing in the context of these data center zoning and or site plan approval processes.

[02:24:48] Identify opportunities for coordination with state agencies and utility providers on energy affordability, infrastructure demands, air quality, water use, and other impacts beyond the county's direct authority. I further move that the county executive report findings and recommended next steps to the board at a committee meeting within 120 days.

[02:25:08] The chair will second that motion along with Supervisor Beerman. Discussion on the motion, Supervisor Smith? I think it's really important. We've done a lot of work with data centers. We're hearing from the community. Other issues will come up, and I really think it's important that we have a voice through this process and ensure that we're always doing the best we can do here in the county.

[02:25:27] Thank you, Supervisor Smith. And, you know, I do want to comment. I want to thank the governor for her input on this because there were a lot of bills in Richmond last session. There were a lot of fights over those bills that happened in the General Assembly.

[02:25:43] And what she has put out is a framework of concerns and actions, I think, that are reasonable and necessary at this moment. And we have built good rapport with the administration, including through organizations like VACO and VML, who have a stake in these things as well.

[02:26:01] And so I appreciate, you know, what she's done here and appreciate that, you know, we need to stay on top of these, be supportive of them. Because, again, you know, protecting communities against data center intrusion is absolutely necessary. And, you know, we took action in a dramatic way as a board, kind of ahead of the flood of these that so many others experienced.

[02:26:24] And while I believe we have a strong foundation, there may be ways we can improve even on our own language as we move forward. And so look forward to the continued engagement with the administration and watching this closely. I know our legislative chair will be watching this closely during next session, as I suspect there's going to be a flutter of bills that come in.

[02:26:44] and I think part of the reason why the administration passed executive order 22 when they did was try to inform those conversations going into next session that we of course will be engaged in through our legislative activities as well so thank you for bringing this forward supervisor Alcorn thank you mr.

[02:27:04] chairman yeah I I think this is a really good idea I do have I guess one one issue since and this is really more timing it was a couple of years ago that that we updated our zoning ordinance on data centers then we did our comprehensive plan and it's been an area of significant discussion since then and it's frankly been evolving and I I guess I would want to make sure that as the county executive is authorized by us to engage on this topic with the governor that there be some understanding that frankly we may need to update some of

[02:27:43] our things as well and what I think I don't I don't want anyone thinking that this motion would assume that for example we might not go back and address and look at some of our by right allowances for data centers that was a little over two years ago you know the governor's put that out there as something that's that that is a goal of hers at least to move past that some of our neighboring jurisdictions have have done that but in particular as it relates to the last bullet air quality water use other impacts some of those in

[02:28:22] in a framework that perhaps in conjunction with the state emerges there might be some way for us to to actually be involved in that so I would I don't want us to I want us to be looking forward and not backwards on this well and the intention of this board matter is specifically to do that to thank her for what she's doing we have done significant work but as we learned through our process there is significant work that could be done at the state level that can help us even more and that was really the intention of this to celebrate that attention to this issue and I would just say that you know I

[02:29:00] think there's a mixed bag out there other jurisdictions who have prevented any by-right development of these have done so without the concurrence of their legal advisors and in fact one of our nearest jurisdictions is struggling day to day to try to figure out the path forward to that and so I believe what the governor is trying to do here among many other things is provide some clarity to that issue because it's not clear right now and I don't think is best practice under today's legal framework which of course could change should the General Assembly do things moving forward. Supervisor Smith. I just wanted to make sure that the board does understand this isn't just about a discussion with the governor. This is also a discussion

[02:29:40] with our board to see what we should do differently. Correct. Thank you. Correct. Supervisor Beerman. Yeah, I see this as additive, not, you know, the whole point is to keep the conversation going, and I think it's really consistent with the language that we added to our legislative package about data centers.

[02:30:02] This is an evolving issue. It's something we want to have a seat at the table for and we want to be tackling. So I appreciate that this board matter is being brought forth. That's why I seconded it. No, I'm just kidding. But I don't think that anything is necessarily etched in amber here.

[02:30:24] So thank you. Supervisor Lusk? Yeah, I'll just express my support for the board matter as well. And just want to make the point that on the community benefits plan, really, this is going to be so important for us to get this part right, addressing the concerns that we know the community has and being able to have some measurable way to show the value of these projects.

[02:30:49] So I appreciate all the points here, but I'm kind of hearkening to this portion of it because I recognize that this is where we've got to do some additional things to get support for these projects. Thank you very much. Thank you, Supervisor Jimenez. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you, Supervisor Smith, for putting this timely issue in front of us.

[02:31:10] I think, as the Chairman said, not only will I be looking at the impacts at the local level, the state level, but also any movement on the federal level as we look to have more standard, as we look at the standards of data centers and how we look at the impact of vulnerable communities, how we look at the energy usage, water usage.

[02:31:34] But I think we also need to make sure that we're working internally with our, not only ourselves, but with our planning commissioners. I would recommend that we all sit down with our planning commissioners and talk about this because it's gonna come to them before it comes to us. And so making sure that there is some dialogue I think is extremely important.

[02:31:53] And obviously meeting with all the advocates and community folks that we've already heard from and will continue to hear from. But as Mr. Alcorn mentioned, this is an evolving issue. What we're doing today, what we're looking at trying to regulate today could change tomorrow. And so we just need to make sure that as we always are, we are able to be flexible and move in the right direction, the direction that helps our communities, make sure that we are looking at our most vulnerable communities and making sure that we're getting the best results for our county and that the data centers are placed in places where they should be, not in the middle of a community. So thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[02:32:30] Thank you, Supervisor Jimenez. And if there is no further discussion, again, thank you, Supervisor Smith, for bringing this forward. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. I'm good. Thank you. Supervisor Smith, wonderful.

[02:32:47] Supervisor Sizemore-Heiser. Thank you. Shifting gears a little bit, I have one board matter and one announcement. My board matter is a publicity request for the Best of Braddock Awards interception, to which all of you are invited.

[02:33:04] Mr. Chairman, for more than 30 years, a Braddock District Supervisor has held a ceremony to honor the residents and organizations in our district who have committed their time and resources to make our community a better place to live, work, and play. I'm excited to host the next Best of Braddock Awards ceremony and reception on Tuesday, November 10th at 6.30 p.m., and I invite my colleagues and the broader community to join us.

[02:33:27] The evening will start with a reception, followed by awards ceremony to recognize and celebrate our active and dedicated community members. We'll be celebrating the most impressive slate of

people and organizations this year, including our Best Jobratic Awardees, the winners of the 2026 Battle of the Bands, and the winners of our first ever Intergenerational Art Contest.

[02:33:48] So, therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move without objection that the Office of Public Affairs promote this event to the community through the county's communication channels. Without objection, that is so ordered, and I will confess that I've made it to this event I think every year as chairman, but I will not be able to this year because it's during BACO.

[02:34:09] More cupcakes for me. It's the last day of BACO. Yeah, exactly. But it's always a great event, and thank you for continuing the great tradition of honoring the best of Braddock. Well, next year, we'll make sure we don't plan on a BACO day. Awesome. Thank you. Thank you. And I have one question. Yes, please.

[02:34:24] I would like to welcome Alexander Nordholtz from my office. He just started yesterday, so he's brand, brand new. but Alexander is serving as Raddick District's newest senior policy aide. Alexander joins us after receiving his master's degree in international relations from John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. There he's focused on governance, politics, and society in Africa.

[02:34:46] Previously, Alexander worked at a startup lobbying firm in Washington, D.C., where he focused on varying issues such as emerging technology, affordable housing, and critical minerals in Latin America. Prior to that, he worked on numerous political campaigns in Texas, Pennsylvania, and right here in Virginia.

[02:35:02] He'll be working on economic development, public safety, transportation, research analysts, and many other portfolios in my office. So please welcome me in warmly welcoming Alexander to the Braddock District. Welcome. Excellent.

[02:35:25] And that is all correct. Excellent. Thank you. Supervisor Beerman. No board matters, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. Outstanding. Thank you, Supervisor Beerman. Supervisor Lusk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Reminds us a quick announcement.

[02:35:41] On Saturday, Harry Glasgow was posthumously awarded the Chairman's Choice Award at the Ellie Doyle Service Awards. Harry could often be found at Huntley Meadows Park on Mondays for their bird walks. And he was also a member and friends of Huntley Meadows Park and joined in 1990.

[02:36:03] He was so deserving of the Chairman's Award. And I appreciate his dedication and commitment to the community and to conservation. And just wanted to acknowledge what he'd done in the Franconia District, specifically as, again, a member of the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park.

[02:36:22] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Supervisor Lusk. And it feels like just yesterday I was speaking at his memorial at Laurel Hill and how fast time passes. So we miss Harry every day. Thank you. Yes, sir. Supervisor Alcorn. Oh, hi there. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have three board matters in one announcement.

[02:36:43] First is Hunter Mill District Coats for Kids. As winter approaches, there are many children who need warm winter coats. To help our youngest residents stay warm, my office is sponsoring a children's coat drive again this year in partnership with Heritage Fellowship Church in Reston.

[02:36:58] We're focusing our coat drive on children since our little ones outgrow their winter jackets so quickly, and there's always a need for more, it seems. I invite our community to donate new or gently used clean winter coats for kids. Coats and jackets in all children's sizes are needed, from newborns to teens,

but there's also a high demand for coats for elementary and middle school children. Donations will be made now through Saturday, January 9th, and then may be dropped off any time day or night in the collection bin at the North County Government Center, which is adjacent to my office.

[02:37:34] Or donations may be brought to Heritage Fellowship Church on Fox Mill Drive on Saturday beginning 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. from November through January 9th. While in the past residents have generously donated other winter clothing, such as sweaters, hats, scarves, and gloves, we cannot accept those items due to space limitations this year.

[02:37:54] Working with Heritage Fellowship Church and others, the coats that are collected will be donated to schools, Head Start programs, community and teen centers, local shelters, nonprofits, faith groups, and other community organizations. Last year, we distributed more than 1,000 coats, demonstrating the great need for this coat drive.

[02:38:12] I encourage our community to give the gift of warmth again this year. For questions or more information, Lisa Singer in my office should be contacted. And therefore, Mr. Chairman, without objection, I'd ask that the Office of Public Affairs promote and publicize Hunter Mill District winter coats for kids drive on social media email and through other communication channels and without objection that is so ordered Supervisor Alcorn thank you next one is relating to the Reston Community Center Board former Reston Community Center Board of Governors member Paul Thomas

[02:38:49] stepped down from his position on September 14th and that leaves a vacancy on the nine-member RCC board as the board may be aware he resigned his position after i appointed him as the hundred mill district representative on the planning commission under rcc's governing procedures the board of supervisors makes appointments to fill vacant seats that occur in between the center's community selection process for its board which we call the preference poll to fill this vacant seat i will move today to appoint rest and resident dayton lynch to fill this board position for the remainder of the term that ends november 6

[02:39:25] 2028. He will bring a background in youth recreation and community service to the position, including his service with the Reston Swim Team Association as a Hunters Woods representative and coaching with Reston Hoops. Beyond Reston, Lynch, who is an attorney, has also served as a Fairfax County Consumer Protection Commissioner and as a state policy counsel for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I ask without objection that the Board of Supervisors appoint Dayton Lynch to the Reston Community Center's Board of Governors in time to be seated at their next board meeting on November 2nd.

[02:40:00] And why don't we take an official vote on that just to make sure I will second that motion. Any further discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Alcorn.

[02:40:17] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My last board matter is recognizing the Reston Corral. which is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year. For those who have never heard of this beloved Reston institution and never heard them perform, the Reston Chorale is a mixed-voice auditioned chorus with a broad repertoire that spans classic rock to Broadway to great choral masterworks, both old and new.

[02:40:41] Founded in the fall of 1966, which was a good time, by the way, the chorale remains a vibrant voice to Robert E. Simon Jr.'s legacy. The vocal group was established two years after Reston's founding.

Simon, who was a lifelong pianist and choral musician himself, recruited James Christian Foll to create the chorale as part of the multifaceted Reston Music Center, which included a summer music camp, a children's choir, and a chamber orchestra.

[02:41:12] In October of 1966, Foll invited singers to join the choir he was forming, and a few dozen musicians accepted his invitation. With these members, the chorale debuted at its first performance billed as Christmas in a New Town on December 18.

[02:41:30] The ensemble, which included Bob Simon himself, performed from a tree-shaped platform on Lake Anne's Washington Plaza, along with other musical groups that day. The PBS station WETA also filmed the concert and aired it on Christmas Eve.

[02:41:49] Six decades later, the Chorale continues to delight audiences, and it has performed at distinguished venues, including the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Wolf Trap, George Mason University Center for the Arts, and the Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center.

[02:42:05] To launch its 60th season, the Chorale will present Threads of Joy on Saturday, December 5th, a festive concert of sacred and secular holiday music. Later that month, the Chorale will offer its always popular annual Messiah Sing-Along, and the group season continues into the spring with additional concerts that will include the world premieres of two choral works commissioned by the group.

[02:42:28] Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I ask without objection that the Office of Public Affairs prepare a resolution to recognize the Chorale's 60th anniversary to be presented outside of the boardroom on December 5, 2026. And without objection, that is so ordered.

[02:42:44] Mr. Chairman, I object to the fact that we didn't make Walter sing that board matter. Well, maybe we can get him on stage December 5th. He'll have a chance. Well, I'm glad we didn't vote on that part. We will record no objection to that.

[02:43:05] Supervisor Alcorn. Thank you. And then just one announcement. Last night in Reston, we had a big community meeting, a development proposal adjacent to the Herndon metro on the south side of the toll road, not in Herndon, but actually in the Hunter Mill district portion.

[02:43:24] And there was a lot of discussion about Stanley Martin's proposed project. And the reason I bring this up now is we had some interesting discussion, both the members of the community And also, the development representative expressed interest in seeing if there were a way to get an off-ramp off of the exit ramp off the toll road.

[02:43:49] It's something that, frankly, VDOT has never allowed. It's an issue that, frankly, I think we see a few places around the region, particularly downtown, where you see literally there are off-ramps off some of our larger highways but they're typically designed in a way to actually support a very localized community and not as a as a cut through so anyway my my request is if there are other supervisors that have run into this or or see a need for such an off-ramp in your district from one of our larger

[02:44:29] highways again an off-ramp from an exit ramp it's really what we're looking at let me know because some of the discussions continue at least in Hunter Mill on this so anyway thank you very much mr. chairman thank you supervisor Alcorn supervisor Menez thank you mr. chairman I have one board matter and one announcement mr. chairman today it is my honor to recognize the service of two outstanding volunteers in the mason district community Gene Rakowski and Mary Lee Despirito as my

colleagues may know the Annandale Christian Community for Action or as we call it ACA has spent decades helping

[02:45:04] individuals and families throughout our community meet their essential needs. This includes their outstanding preschool program but also access to food, furniture, and other support. The organization's impact would not be possible without the dedicated volunteers who give their time, energy, and leadership to helping their neighbors. Jean and Mary Lee are two such volunteers who have made extraordinary contributions to ACCA and the residents it serves. They have both demonstrated what it means to serve a community with compassion, generosity, and dedication. There are 60 years of combined volunteer service have helped strengthen ACCA's programs and improve the lives of countless

[02:45:40] individuals and families throughout Fairfax County. Their contributions deserve recognition and appreciation from the Board of Supervisors. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I ask that the board direct staff to prepare two separate resolutions to be presented as separate out-of-board room recognitions, one recognizing Gene Rakowski and another recognizing Mary Lee Despirito for their exceptional volunteer leadership and long-standing service to ACA and the Fairfax County community. And the chair will second that. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed?

[02:46:18] Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Jimenez. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Just one quick announcement. I want to take a moment to remind everyone that our third annual Mason District Health Fair will be taking place on Saturday, November 14th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the James Lee Community Center. We are partnering with a variety of community groups, organizations, and county departments to provide valuable health-related information services and resources for our community. Services will include, but are not limited to, flu vaccinations, Medicaid information, hearing and vision screenings, HIV screenings,

[02:46:53] hepatitis C testing, child dental screening, liver function testing, and so much more. We also are working to coordinate transportation to and from the fair to make it more accessible to our residents. So with that, thank you very much, and we hope to see you there. Thank you, Supervisor Jimenez. Supervisor Stork. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have several matters. The first is jointly with yourself. Fairbanks County is home to some of the most valuable real estate in the Commonwealth, making property owners potential targets for deed fraud. Criminals use publicly available records and forged documents to illegally transfer or sell property they do not own.

[02:47:32] often targeting vacant lots, second homes, and properties without a mortgage. For seniors, families holding an inherited property and owners who run out their homes, this fraud can go undetected for months or even years, putting their property and financial security at risk.

[02:47:48] That's why we are pleased to partner with the Clerk of the Court, Chris Falcon, to secure funding as part of this past budget cycle for the new Fairfax County and the new Fairfax Circuit Court Property Alert Notification System. While this was a small budget item, the impact of this system will make a difference, a big difference, to our residents.

[02:48:09] Launched by the Fairfax Circuit Court Clerk's Office in partnership with the Department of Tax Administration and the Department of Information Technology, this free service sends Fairfax County and City of Fairfax property owners an email whenever a document matching their name is filed with the Circuit Court's Land Records Office.

[02:48:31] This early notice helps residents spot unauthorized deed transfers and other suspicious activity before serious harm is done. We want to thank Mount Vernon District and all the county residents who urged us to do something about this pressing issue. The Fairfax County Clerk of the Circuit Court, Chris Falcon, and his team, who asked for my support, along with partners at DTA and DIT, for their work to protect what our residents have worked so hard and sacrificed so much to build.

[02:49:01] As the circuit court has promoted, enrollment is quick, easy, and free through my visit, my Fairfax portal at fairfaxcounty.gov, my Fairfax. Step-by-step instructions and the FAQs are available. The circuit court's website as well identifies that.

[02:49:18] We encourage every property owner to sign up today. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, we ask that the Board of Supervisors direct the Office of Public Affairs to promote the free Fairfax Circuit Court Property Alert Notification System to help educate all residents of this important safety tool and to incorporate this system into the county's current anti-scam infrastructure, such as the Silver Shield anti-scam program.

[02:49:43] And I'm happy to second that, along with Supervisor Herity. Thank you, Supervisor Stort, for bringing this forward. This did come up in a conversation I recently had with the Clerk of the Court, and he expressed not only his appreciation for the budget money for this, but also the strong partnership that his office has with DTA and DIT, not just in this area, but in a lot of areas that he is working on to modernize the circuit court's office and provide increased services to the residents of Fairfax County.

[02:50:15] So I appreciate you bringing this forward. Supervisor Herity. Yeah, I would just add that this was something I heard a lot about when I was chair of the Older Adults Committee. It's something that certainly is needed and very desperately needed, And I want to thank the clerk of court, Chris Falcon, for his leadership on it.

[02:50:32] This is something he saw the need for, took a hold of it, and drove it forward. Thank you very much. And with no further discussion, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Stork.

[02:50:47] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And thank you all for your support of the budget that made that difference. My next item is a, this is also in conjunction with you, Chairman McKay, is a request for concurrent processing.

[02:51:03] Alexandria MF LLC is a contract purchaser and applicant for rezoning of approximately 4.45 acres located on the west side of Richmond Highway, just north of the intersection of Richmond Highway and Fairhaven Avenue. The property is zoned C8 and currently operates as the Days Inn Hotel and Hawaiian Pool and Spa, respectively, constructed in the 1960s and 1950s.

[02:51:26] To redevelop this property, the applicant seeks approval of rezoning to permit the construction of up to 406 multifamily rentable units with structured parking and other needed site improvements. In addition, a portion of the property's Richmond Highway frontage is anticipated to be acquired by VDOT to accommodate the ongoing Richmond Highway Corridor improvements and meet the transit boulevard cross-section reflected in the Richmond Highway Corridor Area Plan.

[02:51:52] I'm just going to skip ahead because I think that summarized it. Therefore, we move that the Board of Supervisors direct staff to authorize concurrent processing of the site plan, architectural drawings, and any other drawings, as may be necessary, in conjunction with RZ2026MV00005.

[02:52:13] In addition, I move that the board direct staff to schedule a hearing for RZ2026-MV-00005 before the board at the earliest available date. Again, the APKIN understands that the authorization of concurrent processing and the scheduling of the board date is in no way relieves the requirement to comply with all applicable standards of the zoning ordinance.

[02:52:36] In addition, the authorization does not dictate that the pending application will be approved, nor does it prejudice staff's review. And the chair will second that, along with Supervisor Lusk. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye.

[02:52:52] Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Stork. And this is a similar, and actually the property is adjacent to each other, and they're both really hopefully coming our way soon. And this is, again, in conjunction with you, Chairman McKay.

[02:53:08] Sakur Al-Amanar USA LLC is the contract purchaser and applicant for rezoning of approximately 1.39 acres located on the west side of Richmond Highway at the northeast corner of the intersection of Richmond Highway and Fairhaven Avenue. The property is Zone C8 and currently operates as the Moon Inn Hotel, constructed in the 1950s.

[02:53:30] To redevelop this property, the applicant seeks approval of a rezoning to permit the construction of up to 113 multifamily rentable units and up to 4,720 square feet of commercial retail space, with structured parking and other needed site improvements.

[02:53:46] In addition, a portion of the property's Richmond Highway frontage is anticipated to be acquired by VDOT to accommodate the ongoing Richmond Highway Corridor improvements and meet the Transit Boulevard cross-section reflected in the Richmond Highway Corridor Area Plan. Again, I'm going to skip ahead.

[02:54:03] Therefore, we move that the Board of Supervisors direct staff to authorize concurrent processing of the site plan, architectural drawings, and any other drawings as may be necessary in conjunction with RZ2026-MV-00004. In addition, we move that the board direct staff to schedule a hearing for RZ2026MV-00004 before the board at the earliest available date.

[02:54:31] The applicant understands that the authorization of concurrent processing and the scheduling of a board date in no way relieves it of its requirement to comply with all applicable standards of the zoning ordinance. In addition, the authorization does not dictate that the pending application will be approved, nor does it prejudice staff's review.

[02:54:50] And the chair will second that, and thank you for bringing this forward. This is, as you well know, not just a revitalization opportunity to provide critically needed housing, but also an opportunity to get rid of what we know has become a nuisance in the community.

[02:55:07] And so whatever we can do to expedite this application and provide relief to some of the community that's impacted by the current use is welcomed, I know, by the community. So thank you for bringing this forward. It will be very welcomed. And it is, as being kind of say, a nuisance at this point.

[02:55:25] Although, again, as I've shared with my staff, we have some individuals who are living there that really it's going to be a challenge for them to find other places that aren't troublemakers or problem tenants. But, again, with some of our older, more affordable places for people to live, it's really going to create some issues and challenges for them.

[02:55:45] And I know that we're going to have to work hard to help them find some kind of home for themselves. Agreed. And I think we can – I know we both agree on this. We can do better for them, hopefully, out of this because it's not an ideal living situation for anyone.

[02:56:01] We know it's the only for the people who live there, but hopefully we can work together to find something better for them that not only gets rid of the nuisance, but also improves their lives as well. So thank you. With that, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye.

[02:56:16] Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Stork. Chairman, can I have a couple of verbal items I want to mention? First and foremost, I had the opportunity to go and represent. Some of my colleagues were there as well. I know Supervisor Smith was there, and Supervisor Alcon, you were there.

[02:56:36] The Fairfax Water Drinking Water Summit 2026, it's keeping water safe, secure, and sustainable. That is a core mission of all of us. Earlier today, we spent a lot of time talking about stormwater management and solid waste. That's obviously an equal part of this, and working with Fairfax Water to do those things.

[02:56:56] I thought the summit was a good one. And I appreciate all your involvement and, frankly, all the number of legislators we had there, et cetera, makes an important difference. I also wanted to acknowledge our work last week, last Tuesday, as a matter of fact, as part of the CEO of the Committee for Economic Opportunity.

[02:57:15] We had invited Virginia's Secretary of Commerce and Trade Secretary Kerry Chienery, and I think everybody had a good discussion with her. I know that that was a focus of all of us, which is in innovation and startup growth, the county's early-stage companies, the redevelopment, revitalization, and site readiness are key parts of that.

[02:57:36] We all particularly experienced this, the federal workforce transition, economic diversification, and how the state, we know we do a lot, but how the state can better support our affected workers and businesses. So I'm looking forward to the continued follow-up with her and hopefully her support for some of the things that are essential to that for all of us.

[02:57:57] Final reminder for a tour to Mount Vernon, that is this Saturday, and we expect it to be a glorious day. It starts at 8.30, and please, it's not too late to sign up. We'd love to have you. Again, a beautiful day. We'll be starting at the Workhouse Arts Center and riding through Mason Neck, Gunston Hall, and the National Museum of the Army.

[02:58:16] So we hope to see you all Saturday. And the last item I have is just a reminder to my colleagues, which I do at least monthly. Rebecca Madre, the director of our diversity economic initiatives, development and economic initiatives, put together a great newsletter, what she calls a data dashboard.

[02:58:38] The October version shows that we still have some challenges, but we're finding particularly the impact on regional immigration and out-migration that's affecting us more than most communities. And that's a shame because we know the core of our community, the lifeblood of our community, has been our ongoing support from immigrants all throughout the spectrum of kind of work and jobs that they do.

[02:59:02] Unemployment did fall a little bit in August. We are still below the national averages. Federal job losses are slowing, although they're still up almost 50 percent from a year ago. So it's still a real and a

significant impact.

[02:59:17] The hotel occupancy rate did rise 8% year to year, which is excellent, over to 72%. And our inflation rate also rose. We know some of the tariffs and some of the voluntary wars that are being executed now are having a huge impact on those costs.

[02:59:35] I'm recognizing that. I think we all understand that, and we all are focused on how do we make a difference for our residents. And the real estate market is continuing to cool a little bit. So we've got our challenges, but we have the continued opportunity that I think our work and our community's work does to make this a great place to live, work, play, and learn.

[02:59:54] Thank you. Thank you, Supervisor Stork, and thank you to our team that puts that report together and sends it out to us. Very helpful. Supervisor Palczyk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Only one board matter, and that is, wow, I can't believe, our seventh annual Winter Gear Drive.

[03:00:13] As cold weather sets in, many in our community need warm clothing. To help, my office is hosting our 7th Annual Winter Gear Donation Drive, November 2nd through December 5th. Collecting gently used or new coats, jackets, scarves, gloves, and hats.

[03:00:29] We're happy to take some of those. The donations will benefit Second Story, Committee for Helping Others, the Lamb Center, and Northern Virginia Family Services. More information on drop-off hours and locations can be found on the Providence District website, [fairfaxcounty.gov slash providence](http://fairfaxcounty.gov/providence).

[03:00:48] And I especially want to thank, oh, I'm reading the old one, because I especially want to thank Supervisor Sizemore Heiser's staff for joining us and also being a drop-off site. But this year's partners include the Dunloring Volunteer Fire Station, Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, Arbor Rose Center, Tyson's Community Alliance, the Greater Oakton Community Association, the Miller Heights Neighborhood Association, and Supervisor and the Braddock District Office.

[03:01:19] If you, your HOA organization, is interested in helping collect donations, please email [providence at fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:providence@fairfaxcounty.gov) and we will be happy to coordinate with you. It's always a great event. Therefore, I ask without objection that the Office of Public Affairs, the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, and Visit Fairfax, please share this information on their channels.

[03:01:42] And I especially want to thank Joanna Fitzpatrick from my office, who has been the lead on this for seven years now. And it's an incredible opportunity to help our community. And clean out your closets. Without objection, that is so ordered, and it sounds like a friendly competition to see which office can collect the most.

[03:02:02] I thought you were going to say with Hunter Mill. No, no, between these two. It seems like, no, that's not fair. All right, without objection, that is so ordered, Supervisor Palczyk. Those are all my written board matters.

[03:02:17] I just want to express gratitude to there were many county representatives and community representatives at our Green Fairfax Summits last Monday at MITRE. I think there were really, really powerful conversations on transportation, on urban greening, and on resiliency.

[03:02:37] We had hundreds of visitors, and just I know we've heard great feedback and excited to do more to help ensure that we bring in the private and the public sector. So I just want to thank those who attended and Hunter and Kyle from my office for putting that together.

[03:02:52] Thank you, Supervisor Paucek. Supervisor Harity. Yes, Mr. Chairman, I've got one written board matter and one unwritten one, and I'll take your cue to shorten this a little bit, but it won't be presented in the boardroom. But the first one's on Coach Bill Gibson's retirement.

[03:03:08] He began coaching West Springfield High School girls basketball in 1986 and led the program for decades, 838 wins, two state titles, and a decade of service. He was among the winningest high school girls basketball coaches in Virginia history, including a remarkable 28-3 season in 2013-2014.

[03:03:34] He had opportunities to coach at a higher level, but he nevertheless left Springfield, which says a lot about his commitment to the community, not only as a coach but as a teacher and administrator serving as the alumni liaison. His impact in West Springfield community has also been significant.

[03:03:53] He was instrumental in founding and growing Christie's Christmas, providing over 50 elementary school students each year with winter coats and holiday gifts from Target for the last 40 years. So I would ask that we direct the Office of Public Affairs to prepare a resolution recognizing Coach Gibson on his retirement for all he's done for West Springfield athletics, community, and players to be presented outside the boardroom.

[03:04:19] And I'm happy to second that. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Herity. Well, while we're talking West Springfield, one of my favorite topics, I just wanted to give a shout-out to the West Springfield High School girls volleyball team that's having an exceptional season they're undefeated at twenty three and zero and ranked number 100 nationally it's a huge accomplishment another test for testament to the caliber of sports here in Fairfax County and that's it Mr. Chairman thank you Supervisor Herity and

[03:04:56] let me before we move on to our admin items I do want to take a moment to thank rebecca makeley and her team because we her folks were here early yesterday morning making sure that we had coverage of the amazing fairfax crest ribbon cutting of our affordable homes here in front of the government center which was outstanding and for those of you who couldn't join us i would strongly encourage you to get an opportunity to tour that facility and then she She was with us late last night in this auditorium for our Champions of Character Awards and

[03:05:31] back with us all day today, so just thank you and your team, always doing amazing work. With that, yes, there's an applause line. And with that, we are going to move on to the administrative items.

[03:05:49] Let me ask, Supervisor Smith, do you have a motion for admin items 1 through 10? I move approval of admin items 1 through 10. You've heard the motion. I'm happy to second that. Are there any admin items that board members would like to have pulled for separate discussion or vote?

[03:06:04] Supervisor Smith. Admin item two. Admin item two, which is authorization to advertise a public hearing to consider an ordinance to amend and readopt Fairfax County Code Section 7-2-5, 7-2-6, and 7-2-13 to divide and create precincts in Hunter Mill and Drainsville districts, Moving polling places in Mason and Providence districts and adjust precinct boundaries in Hunter-Mill, Providence, and Sully districts.

[03:06:34] Supervisor Smith. So when you represent the Sully district, you learn that Centerville is spelled R-E. And you kind of know when people are new to this role that they don't recognize that. So on page 86

in the description of the polling place, about halfway through the paragraph, Centerville is spelled improperly with E-R, so I would request that that spelling be corrected.

[03:07:02] Do you need me to make a motion, Mr. Chairman? I do not believe you need to make a motion on that. I think we've recorded that, and we'll make sure that gets fixed. Thank you very much. Are there any other questions on the admin items? Seeing and hearing none the motion was made to approve admin items 1 through 10 all those in favor, please say aye aye Any opposed any abstentions that motion carries we now will move to action items action item number one is Endorsement of design plans for the rolling road and Grigsby Drive traffic signal project in the Braddock and Springfield Districts and let me turn to supervisor Herity first for a motion

[03:07:41] Yes, Mr. Chairman, as the board item noted, the project not only improved traffic operations but also significantly increased safety for students crossing to get to West Springfield High School at this intersection, especially during arrival and dismissal periods.

[03:07:57] It's widely supported by the school and the community. With that, I move the board endorse VDOT's design plans for the Rolling Road and Grigsby Drive traffic signal project, so moved. And I'm happy to second that, along with Supervisor Sizemore-Heiser and Supervisor Beerman, our transportation chair.

[03:08:15] Discussion on the motion? Any further discussion? Supervisor Sizemore-Heiser, did you have further discussion? I just wanted to say I really appreciate both Supervisor Herity and our offices really advocating strongly to speed up this traffic light that was approved a little while ago.

[03:08:32] So I appreciate staff's work on this. Yes, definitely important to expedite. If there's no further discussion, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. And that brings us to action item number two, which is authorization of an amendment to the amended and restated interim real estate exchange agreement between the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and Inova Health Care Services regarding the joint redevelopment at Reston Town Center North in the Hunter Mill District.

[03:09:05] And I am going to, in a second, hand the gavel over to Vice Chair Smith, because I will note for the record that, as the board is aware, I serve as a member of the Inova Health System Foundation Board of Trustees without compensation and out of an abundance of caution, and not because it is legally required.

[03:09:25] I am voluntarily recusing myself from this action item. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Supervisor Bierman? Yes, the board has appointed me to serve without compensation on the ANOVA Health Care Quality and Reliability Committee out of an abundance of caution, not because it is legally required.

[03:09:42] I'm also voluntarily recusing myself from this action item. Thank you. Thank you very much. I will now call on Supervisor Alcorn for a motion. Thank you. As soon as Supervisor Behrman gets out, okay, I move approval of A-2 as recommended by the county executive.

[03:09:59] Second. That's seconded by Supervisor Palchek, Ann Lusk, and Sizemore Heiser. Any discussion and parity? Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing then, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries with Chairman McKay and Supervisor Bierman recused from the vote.

[03:10:19] Thank you very much. Thank you, Supervisor Smith. And that brings us to action item number three, which is authorization to execute a memorandum of agreement with the Virginia Department of Transportation for the Joint Operations and Maintenance Plan of the Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit Project in the Franconia and Mount Vernon districts.

[03:10:44] Supervisor Lust, do you have a motion? Yes, Mr. Chairman, I do. This joint agreement is necessary to identify future estimated costs for maintenance of the BRT and is required by FTA in order to apply for the full funding grant agreement necessary for funding the bulk remaining amount of the BRT project. Fairfax County will be responsible for most of the elements related to the BRT within the BRT lanes themselves, such as stormwater management, transitway, road infrastructure, most of the lighting,

[03:11:19] landscaping, and more. VDAT will maintain the general purpose lanes as normal, as well as the cycle track, signage, and much of the bridge infrastructure. So with that background, Mr. Chairman, I move the Board of Supervisors approve the County Executives' recommendation to approve their resolution for Action Item 3.

[03:11:39] I'm happy to second that along with Supervisor Stork. Supervisor Stork, any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries.

[03:11:56] Action Item Number 4 is approval of the second amended and restated memorandum of understanding between the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County Convention and Visitors Corporation. And for this one, I'm going to turn to Vice Chair Smith for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[03:12:11] I move that the Board of Supervisors authorize the county executive to execute the second amended and restated Memorandum of Understanding, MOU, between Fairfax County and the Fairfax County Convention and Visitors Corporation, known as Visit Fairfax, in substantially the same form as Attachment 3 to this item.

[03:12:29] Chair will second that along with Supervisor Palchuk. Any discussion on the motion? I will just thank our county staff and Visit Fairfax for expeditiously getting this back to us with the amended components. With that, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries.

[03:12:51] We will now move to our one information item on which the board does not vote. And this is information item number one, county holiday schedule for calendar year 2027. Are there any questions from board members? Yes, Supervisor Herity.

[03:13:09] Yeah, this item always makes me think of Supervisor Gross. Because every year for years, she would make sure our employees got the full day off for Christmas Eve instead of the half day. But I'm glad to see our holiday schedules competitive with the holiday schedules to state and federal government.

[03:13:28] I was just wondering, when did the board have the discussion on adding two floating holidays to bring it to 16 paid holidays? It's a collective bargaining provision, so the board did not have a discussion on that. That's in the collective bargaining agreement.

[03:13:45] Okay, so the board didn't have a discussion on it. Can staff provide the cost of those two additional holidays to come back to us as a budget question? That's a yes. Thank you. And actually, what I

do want to point out, I am particularly grateful that the board did move to make Election Day a holiday.

[03:14:06] And we're getting ready to have a big one, and we're getting ready to see why that's important. And I know the Office of Elections relies pretty heavily on county employees who can take advantage of an opportunity to help with the election process. And not to mention, the opportunity it gives our employees to be able to exercise their vote as well.

[03:14:24] So, again, that was an information item. I just wanted to make sure that if there were any questions, and we will get back on answers. With that, before we turn to Supervisor Smith for a motion for closed session, let me ask first if there are any deferrals that board members want to announce an intention on deferring.

[03:14:45] Supervisor Jimenez. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I wanted to briefly address special exception application SC-2025-MA-00043, submitted by the Fairfax Water Authority, which is scheduled for a public hearing later this afternoon. Due to an issue involving a required affidavit associated with the application, I intend to move to defer the public hearing to a future board meeting to allow sufficient time for the matter to be resolved. Okay, and that is the third 3.30 item that board members will see on their agenda. Any other announcements on deferrals? Seeing and hearing none, we do have

[03:15:25] a lot of public hearings this afternoon, and if that's the only deferral, let me turn to Supervisor Smith for a motion for closed session. Mr. Chairman, I move the Board of Supervisors recess and go into closed session for discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711, enlisted in the attached agenda for this meeting, and in addition, one proposed settlement of contractual dispute regarding the Indian-run Gravity Sewer Line Replacement Project and legal briefing regarding 18 U.C.S.C. section

[03:16:01] 592 and related pending federal court litigation, all is permitted by Virginia Code section 2.2-3711A7 and 8. And number two, discussion regarding the appointment of a director of health for Fairfax County is permitted by Virginia Code section 2.2-3711A1.

[03:16:20] You've heard the motion. The chair will second that. let me ask the county attorney how long we need for closed session. Mr. Chairman, I estimate approximately 30 to 45 minutes. 30 to 45 minutes. So what we will do is the first public hearing is at 3 o'clock if the board could report back at 2 p.m. for closed session. And actually 2.30, let's say 2.30 p.m., report back at 2.30 p.m. If this motion succeeds, Supervisor Smith has made the motion. I seconded. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any

[03:16:57] abstentions? That motion carries. The Board will recess for lunch and report to closed session again

[03:17:03] at 2.30 p.m. Okay, now we can begin. Let me turn to Supervisor Smith for a motion to bring us out

[03:26:11] of closed session. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements by virtue of Virginia Code section 2.2-3711, and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which closed session was convened, were heard, discussed, or considered by the Board of Supervisors during the closed session.

[03:26:34] Heard the motion. The chair will second that. Is there any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. We do have a number of motions coming out of closed session. Let me start with Supervisor Jimenez.

[03:26:51] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors authorize Tia Raju, Deputy Director of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, to execute a settlement agreement with Flippo Construction Company, Inc., relating to the Indian-run gravity sewer line replacement project and the terms and conditions outlined by the county attorney in closed session.

[03:27:13] You've heard the motion. The Chair will second that. Is there a discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. I'm going to hand the gavel to Supervisor Smith so that I can make the following two motions.

[03:27:29] First, I move that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Office of the County Attorney to file pleadings, motions, and any other documents deemed necessary in connection with the November 3rd, 2026 election, all as outlined by the County Attorney in closed session.

[03:27:45] I'll second that motion. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstention? That motion carries. Thank you. And secondly, I move the Board of Supervisors appoint Parham Jabari as the Director of Health for Fairfax County, effective November 14th, 2026, consistent with the discussions in closed session. Second. It's been moved and seconded. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And Mr. Jabari is here with us. If you could please stand. Congratulations.

[03:28:29] Congratulations, and we all are proud of you and look forward to working closely with you in the future, so well done. With that, we are going to move on to our afternoon public hearings. And just as a reminder, individuals wishing to provide testimony have a number of options.

[03:28:45] 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 would then be an opportunity for anyone else who would like to speak to the matter, who is present, to come down to the podium or to call in at 703-324-1020.

[03:29:10] Speakers testifying via video must have signed up and submitted their video no later than 9 a.m. on the day prior to the hearing. For public hearing testimony, you're given three minutes to speak as an individual. If you're a spokesperson for a group, you are given five minutes. With that, I'm going to call our first case this afternoon, and we have a lot of them.

[03:29:28] So we're going to try to be very efficient as we go through these. Our first one is a public hearing on RZ 2025-DR-00017, which will be heard concurrently with PCA-77-C-098-06 and PCA-80-C-028-09 APB Woodland Park JV LLC in the Drainingsville and Hunter Middle Districts.

[03:29:56] welcome. Could you please reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. I'm Brian Winterhalter with DLA Piper. On behalf of the applicant, I reaffirmed the affidavit

dated October 7th, 2026. Thank you very much. I appreciate that. Disclosures from board members. Disclosures from board members. Supervisor Harry? Yes.

[03:30:17] Sorry, I had it indicated on the second one. I didn't realize they were jointly. I disclosed Thomas Gaynor donated in excess of \$100 to my campaign. Thank you, Supervisor Herity. If there are no further disclosures, I will now recognize staff for a staff presentation.

[03:30:34] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm Katie Quinn with the Department of Planning and Development. This is a rezoning in Reston to replace existing office uses with two new residential development options. The site is located within a mile of the Herndon Metro Station. The site is zoned I-4 and is concurrently developed with a suburban office park.

[03:30:56] A portion of Wood Oak Drive would be vacated with this application. The existing office building and garage on parcel 6D2, shown here on the right, would remain with this application. One of the existing garages on parcel 29A would remain with proposed option 2.

[03:31:13] The existing stormwater management pond on the site would be reconstructed to current standard, and all other existing structures on the site would be demolished. The comprehensive plan designates the property for mixed use at up to 2.70 floor area ratio.

[03:31:31] The applicant proposes two development options with identical site layouts, except for the area outlined here in red. The first development option would consist of rear-loading townhomes and stacked townhomes. Option two would also have rear-loading townhomes and stacked townhomes and would also include a new multifamily residential building attached to that existing parking garage.

[03:31:53] As previously noted, the existing office building and garage shown here on the right would remain with both options. That concludes my presentation. Thank you. Thank you very much. At this time, we'd welcome an applicant's presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the board.

[03:32:09] I will be very brief and say that this is one of the few remaining sites in Woodland Park that still has the original office and surface parking. So we are proposing to maintain one office building and redevelop the other office buildings with a mix of either multifamily building or townhouses and two over twos and two different development options.

[03:32:28] Overall, we will be adding 70 affordable units in a mix of ADUs and WDUs. We will be facilitating the extension of Woodland View Drive as contemplated in the comprehensive plan. And of course, we'll be providing a nice network of urban park spaces for the proposed development. Woodland Park is a very nice community and has built out very well over time.

[03:32:46] and this is sort of filling in one of the last remaining big areas of surface parking. So we're excited to move forward with the project. And I just wanted to offer a special thanks to Ms. Tai and Ms. Quinn, as their collaboration has been fantastic on this project. We really worked through a lot of things to have a very clean application in front of you.

[03:33:03] So with that, I will conclude, and I'm happy to answer any questions. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing, And I do not have any speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this specific matter. Is there anyone here in the auditorium that would like to speak on this subject?

[03:33:21] This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, do we have any callers? There are no callers. There are no callers. The applicant waives rebuttal. Closing comments and a recommendation from county staff. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the applications on September 23rd, and staff concurs.

[03:33:39] Thank you. Final check. Questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing. and recognize Supervisor Beerman for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board of Supervisors approve the following applications and adopt the proposed zoning ordinance amendment reflecting approval of these applications.

[03:33:58] Approve PCA-77-C-098-06. Approve PCA-80-C-028-09. approve rz-2025-dr-00017 and the associated conceptual development development plan subject to the executed proffers dated october 6 2026 and approve the waivers and modifications listed on the staff report cover dated september 8 2026. you've heard the motion it's been seconded by supervisor alcorn discussion on the motion

[03:34:38] seeing any sir supervisor beerman well i mean we could have been really efficient. But I did want to take a moment to thank the applicant here. The two conceptual development plans here, one is up to 429 units, the other is 584 units. You heard about the workforce and affordable dwelling units that are part of this. There's a strong network of urban parks and recreation spaces. It actually exceeds the comprehensive plans, urban park and open space recommendations this is old obsolete office buildings with big surface level parking

[03:35:15] this is definitely moving to a better use for this this area in this space we talk about needing housing this is a great opportunity and yeah I guess it couldn't be that efficient when I'm this when I'm excited about this one so thank you thank you to staff for your work on this and thank you uh to the applicant this this one's a good one and i hope i have the support of my colleagues and thank you uh supervisor beerman if there's no further discussion all those in favor please say

[03:35:48] aye aye any opposed any abstentions that motion carries thank you thank you all right uh next we have a public hearing on SE 2026-FR-00020, Lucila Catalina Arayao and Gary Antonio Arayao de la Cruz in the Franconia district. And could we please have the applicant reaffirm the affidavit? If you could, if we could just have you come up and reaffirm the affidavit. Has staff briefed you on

[03:36:26] that on how to do that okay come on up oh no no you're fine right there right there is fine yeah sure okay and if you could just reaffirm the affidavit okay you're in agreement to and do we have a date on that i'm looking at staff if you don't have a date suzanne wright dpd it's um march 31st 2026 march 31st 2026 and you're reaffirming that yes excellent thank you very much. You can have a seat. Yes. All right. Are there any disclosures from board members? Any disclosures? Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize county staff for a staff presentation.

[03:37:04] Mr. Chairman, before we begin, I just wanted to introduce Alessandro Ragazzi, who he started working for the county in mid-June. He came from Richmond, where he worked for Baker Development Resources, and I told him you were a nice group of people, so don't let me down. We intend to prove that. Welcome. Well, thank you, Mr. Chair. My name is Alessandro Ragazzi with the Department of Planning and Development. This site is located at 6522 Westmore Court in the Franconia District. The applicant is seeking to increase their home daycare enrollment from 5 to 10

[03:37:41] children. The daycare will operate from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. with staggered drop-off and pickup times. Parents are expected to drop off their children between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. and to pick up children between 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM. The applicant has two reserved parking spaces in front of their home that they have agreed to keep open during the daycare hours.

[03:38:04] That concludes my presentation. Thank you very much. If there's anything you would like to share with us, you can. You don't have to. It's up to you. Are you good? If you want to share something, let's just come right back up to the podium. Welcome.

[03:38:22] Good afternoon, member of the BORC. My name is Lucila Araujon, and I reside at 6522 Westmore Carr, Springfield VA, 22150. I'm here today to respectfully request approval of my special permit and special permit amendment operate a home daycare for five to 10 children.

[03:38:42] I would like to highlight the following key points supporting my applications. Prior approval and community support, I have received formal approval for my home owner association, West Haven HOA, who are also including on my liability insurance policy.

[03:39:02] I met with a representative from the Franconia district and they approved for my request. Additionally, the planning commission has reviewed and recommended approval for this project. Resident record, and I have lived at this address for three years and eight months.

[03:39:20] Throughout the entire time, I have maintained a wonderful relationship with my son's routing neighbors. And this day, I have not received any single complaint. Safety and noise control.

[03:39:35] My hours of operation will be from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. To prevent traffic congestion, draw off with a staggered between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., and pick up will occur progressively between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

[03:39:54] Minimal traffic impact. Because we serve in the local neighborhood, seven families will walk to the daycare, while others will utilize public transit. I do not drive or own a personal vehicle, keeping my driveway 100% open and clear all the time.

[03:40:15] My assistant travels exclusively by public bus and will not require any parking space in the neighborhood. Available parking. For family arrive by the car, I have two private driveway parking space fully available during operation hours.

[03:40:34] Furthermore, they have two visitor parking spaces directly in front of my home and three additional spaces across the street. Supervised outdoor play. To maintain an acute and peaceful environment for our neighbors, children will go outside in a small group under continuous, active supervision at all the time.

[03:41:00] Community need for quality child care. In closing, I want to emphasize that there is a high on demand and a critical need for safe, quality, and accessible home child care options with our neighborhoods. Obtaining this approval allows me to directly support working parents and fulfill a vital service for our local community.

[03:41:24] Thank you very much for your time, consideration, and ongoing support for the counting on the community. And I'm happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you. Very nice job. Any questions of the applicant or staff? I think we're good. You answered them all. Thank you.

[03:41:43] This is a public hearing, and let me ask if there's anyone here who wishes to testify on this matter. Is there anyone present who wishes to speak on this matter? Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers. There are no callers. No callers. The applicant waives rebuttal. Closing comments and a recommendation from county staff.

[03:42:03] Planning Commission voted to recommend approval on September 23rd, subject to the development conditions dated September 10th, 2026. Staff concurs with this recommendation. Thank you. Any questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Lusk for a motion.

[03:42:22] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. First, I'd like to thank the applicant for her very detailed presentation. And you're right, there's a need for additional child care services in the Franconia District and across Fairfax County in general. I appreciate that you were able to work with the staff and to work with the community and that you've secured a positive staff recommendation, that you also secured approval from the Land Use Committee.

[03:42:49] And I'll say that's not always an easy thing to do, so I acknowledge that. And then we also have the Planning Commission to approve your applications as well. So with that, Mr. Chairman, I'd like to move, but before I make the motion, I would like to request if the applicant could come back up and confirm for the record their agreement with the development conditions dated September 10, 2026.

[03:43:15] If you can come back to the podium. Yep. And I'm asking if you can agree to the development conditions that were dated September 10, 2026. Oh, I didn't understand exactly what you were saying. There are some conditions that are associated with this application.

[03:43:34] Can you say, yes, you are in agreement with those development conditions? Yes. That is perfect. I really appreciate you doing that. So, Mr. Chairman, with that, I will make the following motion. I move the Board of Supervisors, and you can sit back down. I'm sorry. You don't have to stay up here.

[03:43:50] I move the Board of Supervisors approve SC-2026-FR-00020, subject to the developing conditions dated September 10, 2026. And the chair will second that, along with Supervisor Herity. Any discussion on the motion?

[03:44:07] And hearing none, all those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries and is approved. Thank you. Thank you. Next, we have a public hearing on SE-2023-DR-00036, Laura Winfield-Berkabyle and Julia Helena-Agenia-Berkabyle-Fazio in the Drainsville District, and can we please have the applicant reaffirm the affidavit?

[03:44:40] Ms. Roy Shannon with the law firm Shannon Wright. I'm here on behalf of the applicants, and we reaffirmed the affidavit that was submitted on October 14, 2026. Thank you very much. Are there any disclosures of board members? Any disclosures of board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize county staff for a staff presentation.

[03:44:58] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm Sinclair Williams with the Department of Planning and Development. The applicants, Laura W. Birkebaugh and Julia Birkebaugh-Fazio, seek approval of a special exception for a use in the floodplain to permit a single-family detached dwelling on an existing lot within the 100-year floodplain and resource protection area.

[03:45:18] The 0.76-acre property is zoned R2, located at the end of the western end of Brookhaven Drive in the Brookhaven Forest Villa neighborhood in McLean. And it's adjacent to the Pimmitt Run Stream Valley, located north and west of the subject property.

[03:45:37] Except for a small area of the southwest portion of the property, the property is almost entirely within the RPA and 100-year floodplain associated with the Pimmitt Run. A single-family detached dwelling had been located on the property since 1967, but that was destroyed by fire in 2019.

[03:45:57] The damaged residential structure was subsequently demolished, and because the previous dwelling was destroyed by fire, was not rebuilt or replaced within a two-year period as permitted by the zoning ordinance, the property is no longer eligible for replacement under the applicable provisions, and an SE is required.

[03:46:13] The proposed dwelling is shown to be located in the northeastern portion of the property, generally fronting Brookhaven Drive. Vehicular access is provided from Brookhaven Drive via a new 12-foot-wide driveway leading directly to two garages serving the dwelling. A retaining wall and fill are proposed along the northern side of the property to elevate the house above the 100-year floodplain elevation and provide the minimum 18-inch distance above the footplank required.

[03:46:40] A drainage channel is proposed between the subject property and the property to the south to prevent runoff from flowing onto the property to the south. This concludes my presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you very much. This time we'd welcome an applicant's presentation.

[03:46:58] Good afternoon, Chairman and Supervisors. Roy Shannon on behalf of the applicants. I'm also joined here today with Blake DeMar of DeMar Engineering, who can answer any questions that the supervisors may have regarding the engineering on this development.

[03:47:15] This application is unique, and I think the entire situation needs a little bit of putting it into context of why we're here today and why it's taken so long. My clients, the applicants, their parents lived in the house starting in 1967 and lived there until, unfortunately, their mother passed away in that fire that occurred in March of 2019.

[03:47:39] At that time, obviously, the tragedy stunned them, and they did not live in the area. We actually were involved with the county in terms of the county wanted us to tear the house down, the structure down, the remaining structure. That actually ended up in court in terms of them not being aware of this.

[03:47:56] We went through the process once we were the head of council that was involved. We went ahead, went through the demolition permit process, did a water quality impact. And around that time period, that was the demolition permit was September 4th of 2020. And the difficulties with the rebuilding within that time period, while we could file the building permit, we could not have finished in that time period because we were also in the midst of COVID during that time period.

[03:48:22] So fast forward, we did get the property demolished. That was in 2021. The permit was actually passed in March of 21. So it took some time for us to get to November of 2023, where we went ahead and filed this SE application.

[03:48:40] Obviously, this is in the floodplain or in the resource protected area. We went through a number of iterations back and forth with staff, and they did a fantastic job. Sinclair Williams, Campbell Lewis, Kathy Lewis. We went back and forth with a number of submissions with DeMar Engineering.

[03:48:58] We also reached out and brought in a specialist, Eric Allen, with Watershed Consulting from down in the Richmond area, a water specialist on this to go through the entire back and forth and presenting the evidence that staff needed in order to approve or to recommend approval of this and be on board with what was being put there. This is a replacement structure. We've moved it as far away from the pavement run as we could, as close to the street as we can. There's obviously some issues with the

[03:49:33] street. However, that's more of a Virginia VDOT issue that unless they're going to raise the road, we can't solve some of those problems, but we've done things to make it better. And we're seeking the approval of this. Happy to answer any questions that supervisors may have or direct them to the engineer for the more technical analysis. Great. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant at this time? Okay. Thank you. This is a public hearing. I have no one who has signed up in advance to testify in this matter, and that is John Wallace.

[03:50:10] Is Mr. Wallace here? He is. Is there anyone else after Mr. Wallace who's here who wishes to testify on this? Okay. Welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you. Excuse my haste, but I have three minutes. Good afternoon. My name is John Wallace. I live at 1436 Park Haven Drive, adjacent to the lot at 1434.

[03:50:30] Despite the 100-year floodplain label, Pivot Run overflows onto this property at least once a year, if not twice a year or more. I was told denying the special exception application is pointless because the stream environment is already so horrible, and this lot has such a small fraction of the problem, that denying the application and buying the lot won't significantly help anything.

[03:50:53] I have with me a petition signed by over 50 people living near Pivot Run. We disagree. A neighbor said, "I live on a feeder stream to Piment Run, and the county told me I can't use certain pesticides because it will pollute Piment Run." Yet the county may let a house be built in the floodplain.

[03:51:11] Another discussion was, "They hire all these new school administrators. Who knows what they do all day? They have to pay them every year. This would be a one-time purchase, and suddenly they're oh-so frugal? Houses covering roughly 35 acres of land have drained onto Brookhaven Drive and into that property starting 70 years ago.

[03:51:31] The county approved the permits and drainage plans for all those homes. They use whatever pesticide and herbicides they want. Upstream, 3,500 acres drain into Piment Run. When it does not rain for a month and there is a storm, the water turns black.

[03:51:49] When it overflows onto the floodplain, which this lot is part of, the toxins from the water filter into the soil. Long-term exposure to toxins is harmful. The trees on the property have effectively been poisoned. Most of them are in poor condition, as evidenced by the building plan to cut almost every one of the trees down that are of any size.

[03:52:12] If this building plan is allowed to go forward, I have a vision of the future. A young couple is living on the property. They walk in their backyard to enjoy the morning, their young baby crawling across the lawn. They look over and see a man barely 20 feet away wearing a gas mask, carrying a canister of herbicides and spraying all the vegetation.

[03:52:31] Alarmed, they ask, "What are you doing?" He informs them the county has granted Virginia Dominion power a right-of-way and they spray every three to four years to retard the vegetation. Mrs. Bourkeville, who lived on the property, discussed with me how much she disliked this.

[03:52:49] I and the neighbors say this: "Fairfax County has allowed the property to get contaminated. The county has benefited from all the construction of the collection of millions of dollars in real estate taxes every year. You have a duty to the environment, to the people living downstream, and to protect anyone from living on that property by denying the application and buying the property.

[03:53:15] Those of you who consider yourselves pro-environment, here's your opportunity to do the right thing. Thank you for your time. Thank you for your testimony. Let me verify that there's no one else here present who would like to speak on this specific subject.

[03:53:30] Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers. We do have one caller, Monarch Rath, speaking as an individual. Okay, can you hear me okay? Yes, thank you. Welcome. Thank you very much, and good afternoon, members of the Board of Supervisors.

[03:53:46] My name is Monarch Rath, and I live in the neighborhood adjacent to the Birkenville proposal along the Pimmitt Run stream. As you may know, Pimmitt Run feeds into the Potomac River approximately two and a half miles downstream, which in turn feeds into the Chesapeake Bay.

[03:54:04] I'm here to ask the Board to not approve the request for construction on these wetlands, RPA, and floodplain. Developing this specific property, permitting construction on an RPA and wetland, poses a direct and irrevocable destruction of critical natural resources.

[03:54:30] Wetlands serve as our county's natural defense against flooding. They act as a natural sponge absorbing water for protection from homes downstream. And perhaps most importantly, serve as a filter for water quality.

[03:54:46] This is the reason why the county has adopted flood zones, floodplain demarcation, wetlands, and RPA areas. There are many, many homes along the Run-Stream Valley, which also are subjects to the RPA.

[03:55:03] And these homeowners are prohibited from constructing within the RPA, indeed doing any activity within the RPA. Similarly, all the streams and rivers in Fairfax County have homeowners who have similar constraints.

[03:55:21] So permitting construction on this floodplain, this wetland in RPA, would not only irrevocably reduce the wetlands and the water quality downstream, but will create a precedent which would be very hard to overcome against future homeowners seeking construction, in our case, on their property.

[03:55:45] We knew Ms. Berkaville. She was a neighbor. We are saddened by the tragedy of her demise. We have nothing but goodwill towards the applicants. We're very grateful for this Board of Supervisors for their continued vigilance in enforcing the construction constraints that are part of the county plan and zoning.

[03:56:09] That is all for my comments. I want to thank you again for your service. Thank you very much for your testimony. Let me verify that we have no additional callers. No additional callers. No additional callers. Let me ask the applicant if they would like to provide any rebuttal.

[03:56:28] Mostly here to answer any questions that you may have regarding this project, I do think that we are compliant with what the county required of us. This was not a slow, this process was slow and drawn out for the fact to make sure we got it right. In fact, bringing in Kamala Lewis with LDS to go over a

number of the issues to make sure that when we got past, if we're able to get past this stage, that we then can actually build what we'd want to build there and that it would be approved.

[03:56:58] So again, we think this project better the site and will be in accordance with county regulations, and we reaffirmed the development conditions, the most recent set of development conditions that are out there, if the board so chooses to recommend or approve, I'm sorry.

[03:57:15] Okay. Thank you very much. Let me ask if there are – first, let me get the county staff recommendation and closing comments. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On September 24, 2026, the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request of special exception subject to the development conditions dated September 10, 2026.

[03:57:39] Staff concurs with that recommendation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you very much. Now let me ask if there are any questions. Yes, Supervisor Beerman. Can you explain what the no-rise standard is? Actually, you have Camelyn Lewis from Land Development Services who can respond to that.

[03:57:56] Yes, my name is Camelyn Lewis from Land Development Services. The no-rise, I guess, standard, I guess it comes from the Public Facilities Manual. You'll see that there is a standard there to do those computations, and there is a computational tolerance for those computations set aside in the Public Facilities Manual.

[03:58:20] I don't remember right off the top of my head what the number is, the code reference. I'd have to look that up for you, but if you want to, I can do that. But I guess there's a certain amount of calculation tolerance permitted. And they have to look at the situation before they build the house and the situation afterwards and make sure that that is within the calculation tolerance.

[03:58:44] And some of those numbers came out absolutely zero. Some of them, obviously, within the calculation tolerance. And so because it's in that calculation tolerance, we accepted it to move forward. And correct me if I'm wrong, that's about whether or not the building here will make the floodplain worse, will make flooding worse.

[03:59:04] Is that correct? That's correct. And so this was within the standards that we set out. You're saying within the calculation tolerance, as you just said. That's right. In fact, these computations, it's an art, it's not a science. And have you been out to the site to look at the site?

[03:59:20] I did. I actually went out again yesterday. You know, and the big issue is that the flooding is coming up from Pimmitt Run. The amount of flow in Pimmitt Run is just enormous compared to the flow coming from other directions. And obviously, you know, this piece of property, you know, in the current situation is inundated.

[03:59:39] You know, in order to get the home, you know, elevated, obviously they will have to put some fill on the property to elevate the home. And do you believe that building on this lot is going to, again, this goes back to that... That calculation tolerance standard is going to make the flooding and payment run markably worse?

[04:00:01] I mean, the flooding and payment run is really a function of the whole land use within the whole catchment that is draining to that point. You know, obviously, you can't deny that any increase in pervious area within the catchment has, you know, I guess, an implication.

[04:00:19] But, you know, you look at the size of the drainage area and you look at the size of this particular property, This particular property is not, if you like, the big thorn in the picture, you know, with regards to the amount of flow. The amount of flow is the size of the drainage area, which is huge, and then obviously the amount of impervious area, which is huge.

[04:00:38] All of those properties outside of the floodplain, you know, are also contributing to that flow. So there was a house on this property from 1967 to 2019, correct? That is correct.

[04:00:54] And in fact, the impervious area that was on the property before, the impervious area for the existing home, and then because the existing home was located further down towards permit run, the driveway which was connecting that home and the impervious areas associated with it, the applicant has not proposed an increase in impervious area.

[04:01:16] So from an impervious area perspective, there's no increase in that. And it's the case that if they had built this house in two years, we wouldn't even be here. Is that correct? That is correct. Per the zoning ordinance, if they were able to rebuild within two years after that fire, they would have been able to basically do it by right.

[04:01:36] It would not require a special exception. And for the engineer, can you comment a little bit on the swale between the subject property into the south and why you put the swale in that you've designed here? So the swale was from the upstream flow, and just to safely convey and channel the 10-year storm around the house and also not change the natural drainage divides.

[04:02:03] So when you engineered this, and you're, I'm assuming, but can you confirm for the record, you're not trying to build a house that gets flooded, correct? Right. Okay. Okay. So the attempt here is not to, you know, have massive flooding in the new house, and we'll be here in 20 years and it's flooded.

[04:02:23] That's, in fact, the attempt's not to make sure that doesn't happen, correct? And does anybody at the county believe that approving this one house is going to have a markedly worse effect on the stream?

[04:02:40] I mean, you know, we heard testimony about how pesticides, you know, killing the stream, any of that, is that the position of the county officials who have gone out and looked at this thing? I have not been aware of any issues of contamination on the property.

[04:03:00] But again, there are proposed development conditions that have to be met that address any hazardous materials on the site and things like that. So I think we feel that with what's been proposed and the development conditions that it is in conformance with the floodplain regulations. And of course, if we approve this special exception, you still have to go through site plan review with land development services.

[04:03:24] they're going to look at this all closely, correct? That is correct. Before they could go forward in development, they would have to go through grading plan review for this proposed development. And, you know, I've got to be honest here.

[04:03:43] The way I approach this, I want to think about what the negative impacts of development are on the immediate neighbors and on the community as a whole. That's what we do here. We try to mitigate the negative effects of development, whatever they may be, and do it within reason and within the standards and the rules that have been laid out before us.

[04:04:07] I think that also from a question of whether or not this sets a terrible precedent, there are some unique factors here. There was a house on the lot already. There was a tragedy that delayed implementation of rebuilding that house.

[04:04:26] I respect the concerns of the neighbors. You know, I wouldn't want something to increase flooding in my neighborhood. I wouldn't want something to poison my stream. I wouldn't want something to make my neighborhood less livable.

[04:04:42] But I struggle to see here how this house and this opportunity really has a meaningful impact that weighs against also allowing people to, you know, use their land as they potentially see fit.

[04:05:01] And I also think that when we have a favorable staff report, and we've had engineers who've worked on trying to put it together, when we've had county staff who've reviewed it consistent with our rules and regulations, when we've had our stormwater person out there literally yesterday and multiple times, and we're saying that this fits within those regulations, I struggle to, in this instance, deny this application.

[04:05:29] That doesn't mean we don't still have work to do on everything related to Little Pitman Run and on everything in the county. But I'm going to move this application forward. So now's the time to do that. Correct.

[04:05:45] Sorry, Mr. Chairman, I request that the applicant confirm for the record their agreement with the development conditions dated September 10th, 2026th, contained in the staff report. We confirm. I move that the Board of Supervisors approve SE-2023-DR-00036 subject to the development conditions dated September 10, 2026, as contained in the staff report. You've heard the motion. It's been multi-seconded by Supervisor Herity and Palchik. Discussion on the motion? Seeing

[04:06:20] and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? and that motion carries. Thank you. Next, we have a public hearing on RZ-2025-DR-00021, Seekus Homes Limited in the Drainsville District, and could we have the applicant please reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon, Supervisor McKay, members of the board. I'm Mike Venata on behalf

[04:06:58] of Seekus Homes, the applicant, and I reaffirmed the affidavit dated October 13, 2026. Thank you very much are there disclosures from board members supervisor Herity yeah yes mr. chairman disclose Matthew Marshall contribute in excess of \$100 to my campaign thank you supervisor Herity are there any other disclosures seeing and hearing on I will now recognize county staff for a staff presentation thank you mr. chairman and members of the board I am Nick Cicero with the Department of planning and development today I will be presenting a re this zoning request

[04:07:36] from seek his homes the 6.5 acre site is located on Giesburg Pike just east of the Hewlett Road intersection the surrounding area is predominantly low density residential with the wolf trap fire station directly to the west of the site the applicant requests approval to rezone the subject property from the r1

[04:08:10] district to the pdh2 district to permit the development of 13 single-family detached dwellings with a density of 1.97 toiling units per acre the site would be accessed from route 7 through a single right in right out entrance with with a future connection to the whole trap fire station property, included through the construction of the Stubb Street highlighted on the slide.

[04:08:44] This concludes my presentation. Thank you very much for that. We now welcome an applicant's presentation. Good afternoon. Good afternoon again. Mike Venata with Seek His Homes on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Cicero did a fantastic job summarizing the application, and it's been a really good process working with staff on this.

[04:09:02] I'll keep my remarks very brief. We're very excited to be here today and have this project before the board it's a modest and full residential development uh it's in conformance with the comprehensive plan uh and will appropriately blend with the surrounding community we've worked hard to justify the p district standards and make sure we're exceeding those standards in many instances and importantly it'll demonstrate the standards of excellence in architecture site development and craftsmanship that secas homes has been uh showcasing in fairfax County for 40 years.

[04:09:34] So what you see before you tonight is a result of in-depth community engagement, productive negotiations with the collective stakeholders. And we do have a petition of 30 signatures from the adjacent neighbors in support. And so I can confidently state that those who have been engaged are content with the outcome.

[04:09:50] And so with that, I'd like to thank you for your consideration today. I'd like to thank Mr. Cicero and Ms. Lewis for their help on this application. Again, we hope to have your support. Happy to answer any questions. Thank you. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing, and I have no one who has signed up in advance to testify in this matter.

[04:10:11] Is there anyone here present who wishes to speak on this specific subject? Anyone present who wishes to testify? Seeing and hearing none, let me verify we have no callers. There are no callers. No callers. The applicant waives rebuttal. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff.

[04:10:27] On September 30th, 2026, the Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the application subject to the executed proffers dated September 8th, 2026, as well as the requested waiver of the service drive.

[04:10:51] SAF concurred. Thank you. Thank you very much. Last check, questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, at this time I will close the public hearing and recognize I recognize Supervisor Bierman for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board of Supervisors approve RZ 2025-DR-00021 and the accompanying CDP, subject to the executed proffers, dated September 8, 2026, and that the Board adopt the proposed zoning ordinance amendment reflecting approval of this application.

[04:11:22] I further move that the Board of Supervisors approve the waivers and modifications as listed on the cover of the staff report dated September 16, 2026. And the chair will second that motion along with Supervisor Lusk. Discussion on the motion. Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye.

[04:11:41] Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Thank you. Thank you. And next up, we have a public hearing on proposed plan amendment 2025-I-J4 Gatehouse Plaza that will be heard concurrently with SEA-95-P-008-02 Silver Gatehouse LLC in the Providence District, and could the applicant please reaffirm the affidavit?

[04:12:18] Thank you. Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Lynn Strobel. I represent the applicant. I reaffirm the affidavit that is dated September the 29th, 2026. Thank you. Thank you very much. Are there any disclosures from board members?

[04:12:35] Disclosures from board members. Seeing and hearing none at this time, we'd recognize county staff for a presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My name is Aaron Klavanner with the Department of Planning and Development. Plan Amendment 2025-I-J4, Gatehouse Plaza, was authorized by the Board of Supervisors on October 28, 2025.

[04:12:58] It is located in subunit G2 of the Murrayfield Suburban Center. The adopted plan recommends retail use at an intensity of 2.20 FAR with conditions including limiting the number of drive-through facilities to four such facilities for a bank, a service station with associated car wash and quick food service, and two for restaurants.

[04:13:21] Staff recommends removing the language that limits the number of and type of drive-through uses since this is only one of two areas within the suburban center that allows such drive-through uses, and has been planned, zoned, and developed with such uses for many years.

[04:13:38] No changes to the recommended intensity are proposed. Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you very much. At this time, we welcome... We're not done yet. Oh, you're not done. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm St. Clair Williams with the Department of Planning and Development, and I'm presenting the concurrent zoning application for the Bezos Plaza site.

[04:13:55] Got it. SCA 95-P-00802 seeks approval to permit a drive-through financial institution. The subject property is 8.39 acres in Zone C6 and within the Gatehouse Plaza Restaurant Park.

[04:14:12] The applicant proposes to convert a restaurant previously occupied by Uno Pizzeria Grill into a drive-thru financial institution with one drive-thru ATM lane. A one-way, 10-foot-wide drive-through ATM lane covered with a canopy and a 14-foot-wide vehicle bypass lane located along the east side of the building with three stacking spaces provided along the drive aisle.

[04:14:39] The applicant proposes a marked crosswalk with special pavers at the drive-through lane entrance and a second crosswalk at the exit of the drive-through lane. A five-foot-wide sidewalk connection and crosswalk will also be provided to the existing trail along Arlington Boulevard along the southern boundary of the site.

[04:14:57] Vehicles would exit the drive-through lane at the south end of the building into the internal restaurant park travelway. That concludes our presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Very efficient. This is real concurrent.

[04:15:13] We were commenting, we don't see too many of these that are literally concurrent, and so thank you for that. At this time, we'd welcome an applicant's presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. I, too, will try to keep this brief and efficient.

[04:15:29] I don't have much to add to staff's presentation. I will just note that Gatehouse Plaza has been there for over 30 years. It was approved as a rezoning by the Board of Supervisors in 1995. When it was rezoned, there was a comprehensive plan amendment, and it did limit the number of drive-through uses and the type.

[04:15:49] And as you might assume or imagine, there has been an evolution of uses in this center, and it seems that now would be an appropriate time to really allow those uses, if they come in, to really be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and not have those strict limitations.

[04:16:06] I will say that the applicant is reutilizing the existing bank building, which I think is nice. They're proposing just slightly less square footage, and they really prioritize pedestrian connectivity. They made sure that there were appropriate connections to the rest of the site.

[04:16:23] And as was noted, this is a drive-thru, but it's just for one ATM. So there's going to be very limited, I believe, traffic associated with this. So I would be happy to answer any questions that you have. The staff and the Planning Commission have recommended favorably.

[04:16:39] I would ask for your favorable decision today. Thank you. 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, and I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this matter.

[04:16:58] Is there anyone here present who wishes to speak on this matter? 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. The applicant waives rebuttal. Closing comments and a recommendation from county staff.

[04:17:15] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On October 14, 2026, the Planning Commission voted to recommend adoption of Plan Amendment 2025-I-J4. The Planning Commission also voted to recommend approval of SCA 95-P-008-02, substantive development conditions dated September 30, 2026, and modification of the minimum number of stacking spaces for a drive-through financial institution to allow three stacking spaces.

[04:17:43] Staff concurs with those recommendations. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you. Are there any questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I'm going to close the public hearing and we'll have two motions here. First on the plan amendment, I will recognize Supervisor Palchuk. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board of Supervisors adopt the Planning Commission recommendation as found in the revised board item for PA 2025-I-J4.

[04:18:13] Second. And that motion has been made, seconded by Supervisor Smith. Discussion on the motion? I'll speak on this one. Supervisor Pouchik. It's a little funny, but I think this shows the efficiency of being able to truly do concurrent processing. So I'll only speak to this one.

[04:18:29] I want to thank the applicants. It does put the Uno's restaurant back in productive use, and I do think that it shows that we can be flexible to allow our retail to be fulfilled. I appreciate the work by staff to incorporate the new sidewalks, the marked crosswalks, and a connection to our Thin Boulevard Trail while preserving existing trees and enhancing landscaping.

[04:18:54] That's really more for the rezoning piece, but just want to thank the applicants and everyone who's worked on this to try to help move this along to ensure that we do not have empty retail sitting here. So that is all. Thank you, Supervisor Palczyk. If there's no further discussion, all those in favor, please say aye.

[04:19:11] Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Supervisor Palachuk. Mr. Chairman, I request that the applicant confirm for the record their agreement with the proposed development conditions dated September 30, 2026. Thank you. I do now have two motions.

[04:19:31] I move that the Board of Supervisors approve SCA-95-P-008-02, subject to development conditions dated September 30, 2026, and modify the minimum number of stacking spaces for a drive-thru financial institution to allow three stacking spaces.

[04:19:54] Second. And that motion has been made and seconded by Supervisor Smith. Discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Thank you. And I understand our next public hearing is going to be deferred.

[04:20:15] Let me turn to Supervisor Jimenez for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move that the Board of Supervisors defer the public hearing for SE-2025-MA-00043 to a date certain of November 17, 2026 at 3.30 p.m.

[04:20:38] Second. You've heard the motion. It's been seconded. Discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. And that brings us to a public hearing on PCA-2017-PR-015-002, CDPA-2017-PR-015, B9 Sequoia, the Mile Owner LLC, in the Providence District.

[04:21:10] And could the applicant please reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. Bob Brandt with the law firm of Walsh Colucci. on behalf of the applicant, I can reaffirm the affidavit, which is dated October 10th, 2026. - Thank you very much. Are there any disclosures of board members?

[04:21:26] Any disclosures from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize staff for a staff presentation. - Thank you and good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. I'm Sonny Ann from the Department of Planning and Development. The applicant requests to amend the previously approved proffered conditions and CDP for the mild development.

[04:21:46] The PDC zone site is located in Tyson's generally bounded by West Branch Drive on the west, Jones Branch Drive on the north and east, and West Park Drive on the south. It contains approximately 33.4 acres, excluding Block A of the original rezoning, which has been developed with the Brent Fort at the mile.

[04:22:07] The applicant proposes to add single-family attached dwelling units and stack townhouses as development options for Blocks B, C, and D, in addition to the originally approved multifamily residential office, and retail uses, while increasing the development densities allocated for blocks G, H, and I.

[04:22:28] Including Block A, the overall development would continue to provide a maximum of 3,049,000 square feet of gross floor area, up to 3,080 residential dwelling units, and an overall maximum FR of 1.8.

[04:22:47] Including Block A, the amendment continues to provide a total of 10.45 acres of publicly accessible park spaces on site, comprised of six individual spaces as shown. The approximately five-acre signature park is a central component of the overall development and addresses the park and open space and the public facility needs.

[04:23:14] As townhouse blocks develop, interim park spaces will be provided. The majority of the signature park will be constructed prior to occupancy of the second of blocks B, C, and D, and the rest of the park will be delivered with block F, the multifamily building along Jones Branch Drive.

[04:23:35] The park will be dedicated to FCPA, but if FCPA declines, dedication will be offered to the Board of Supervisors or the applicant will retain the park if declined by the board.

[04:23:51] That concludes my presentation. Thank you. Thank you very much. At this time, we welcome an applicant's presentation. Thank you again, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. I want to thank, first, Ms. Yee, Ms. Tai, and everybody at the county who's had a role in this application. As with just about everything that I come before you with, this application is better at the end of the process than it was at the beginning, thanks to their efforts.

[04:24:13] So thank you, staff. Very pleased to be here with their recommendation of approval. I do have a full presentation, but in keeping with today's theme of efficiency, I'm going to dispense with it and just focus my remarks on some of the high points of this application. This is a proposal that's going to keep the progress of development moving forward in the mile and in Tyson's.

[04:24:32] And it's one that introduces something that Tyson's is somewhat lacking in today, which is homeownership, but also more importantly, affordable homeownership. By converting or by establishing an option for three of these blocks to be developed with townhouses, two over twos, this application is now subject to the Affordable Dwelling Unit Ordinance, and therefore affordable dwelling units will be provided as this goes forward.

[04:24:56] So I think that's a critical benefit of the application. As we went into this process and as we moved forward, the applicant and our team's critical goal was not to reinvent the wheel, not to reinvent the excellent approval that was established in 2019, but rather expand upon it, build upon it.

[04:25:13] So this proposal carries forward critical elements of the underlying approval, the grid of streets, the amount and location of the urban park space that was accepted with the original rezoning. And while we are introducing an option for three of these blocks to be developed with a lower-density product, we've reallocated that density to the other development blocks.

[04:25:33] And in recent turn of events, we've actually increased the minimum number of units in response to feedback that we received from the Planning Commission and from staff. We're also maintaining the minimum amount of office space that was previously approved, the minimum amount of retail space.

[04:25:51] And while we've reconfigured those uses a bit to respond to the new layout, those minimum amounts are being carried forward speaking about the signature park there's been a lot of discussion about the five acre signature park that was established with the underlying approval we are carrying forward that commitment and in our view we have enhanced that commitment the new signature park includes a variety of different elements and amenities that residents of the mile residents of tyson's in the surrounding area will be able to enjoy a park cafe food trucks a destination playground something new that we've come up with in collaboration with the the Tysons Community Alliance, two flexible sports pitches, modular sports pitches that will be usable

[04:26:30] for a variety of athletic events. That, in addition to a stripable youth-sized athletic field in the flexible green space, this is a park that's going to offer a lot, a lot of amenities, a lot of benefits for everybody. And so in working with the park authority staff and working with our development team, we believe we've enhanced and built upon the vision that was established with the underlying approval. So once again, very happy to be here with staff's recommendation of approval, the Planning Commission's recommendation of approval, the McLean Citizens Association's recommendation of approval, and very excited with this opportunity to continue to move this project forward. So with that, I respectfully request your favorable consideration, and our team is here to

[04:27:09] answer any questions that you may have. Thank you. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant? I think we're good. No, thank you. Thank you. This is a public hearing. Is there anyone here who wishes to testify on this matter? Anyone who would like to testify on this specific matter? This is a public hearing. Seeing and hearing no one. Is there any callers? There are no callers. There are no callers. Would the applicant waive his rebuttal? Closing comments and a recommendation from staff? On October 21st, 2026, the Planning Commission recommended approval of

[04:27:45] the applications and the requested modifications. Staff concurs the recommendations. Thank you. Thank you very much. Any questions from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Palczyk for a motion.

[04:28:01] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I will begin with two motions. Number one, I move that the Board of Supervisors approve PCA-2017-PR-015-002 and CDPA-2017-PR-015 subject to the executed proffers dated October 21st, 2026, and adopt a proposed zoning ordinance amendment reflecting approval of these applications. I further move that the Board of Supervisors approve the modifications listed on the staff report cover

[04:28:35] dated September 16, 2026. We've heard the motion. It's been seconded by Supervisor Luss. Discussion on the motion. Supervisor Pouchik. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I was going to ask questions, but it's gone through a few channels, several iterations.

[04:28:57] So I want to thank Dr. Batarachaya and the staff who've worked on this and the applicant. I know we didn't show the park again, But to me, that signature park really is the key amenity and the reason for coming back forward to the board. It is the highlight that it does provide some flexibility and housing types by allowing townhomes.

[04:29:18] But in exchange for that flexibility, the applicant is strengthening its commitment to public amenities by bringing forward delivery of the five-acre signature park linked to the second townhome block, as well as an interim park. The revised application reflects back and forth that included my office, the staff, the park staff, the applicant, the community, the Tyson's Community Alliance, and helping find a realistic path to turn pavement into Tyson's Signature Park.

[04:29:49] With athletic mini pitches, a cafe, a food truck, a playground, and space for performances and community gatherings, this can be a destination park whose benefits will extend beyond those who live here. Even if only one townhome block moves forward initially, interim park commitments will provide mini pitches and more public park acreage than the new residents would generate under the existing park standard.

[04:30:14] This applicant is also having conversations with the Tyson's Community Alliance about a potential public-private partnership, public, I guess, nonprofit-private partnership, and the goal is that the TCA will be able to help program and activate the space, always in coordination with our office, with the park authority, and with the applicant.

[04:30:35] I very much appreciate the comments of support that were given by the McLean Citizens Association and their helpful suggestions and their work to help us really push for the earlier delivery of the park facilities. I very much want to thank Marianne Tsai and Sunny Yang from DPD, Drew Sunderland and Jason Zogg from TCA, and our commissioner Jeremy Hancock and his colleagues.

[04:30:57] This has taken quite a bit of work and back and forth, and I do hope and have really, I think, expectations that can hopefully be met through this new approval that we will have housing and really a beautiful park amenity in an area of Tyson's that is probably the most distant from Metro, so is an opportunity to build a different kind of community within Tyson's for the people who will live here as well as for the many visitors and office tenants who are right here. So I want to thank it has been many, many hours. I know I didn't want to go into it too much

[04:31:37] tonight, but the Planning Commission had two really effective meetings, and I think this will be quite critical and the next step forward for placemaking and green space in Tysons. Thank you, Supervisor Palczyk. 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. Thank you. We next have a public hearing on RZ-2024-MA-00004

[04:32:14] MS Gallows LLC in the Mason District. And as soon as they are ready, could the applicant please reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. My name is Kathy Taylor from the law firm of Walsh Clucci. On behalf of the applicant, I do reaffirm the affidavit dated October 8th, 2026. Thank you very much. Disclosures from board members. Supervisor Herity. Yes, Mr. Chairman, I disclose that Matthew Marshall donated in excess of \$100 to my campaign.

[04:32:54] Thank you, Supervisor Herity. Are there other disclosures from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize county staff for a staff presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm Sunny Yang from the Department of Planning and Development. The 8.11 acre application site is located on the south side of Gallows Road, approximately 600 feet west of I-495 in Annandale.

[04:33:20] The site is currently zoned R2. It contains 13 parcels and is developed with 11 single-family detached dwelling units. Current accesses for these houses are either via Gallows Road or Lebu Lane, which is a private alley with an access easement. The applicant requests to resound the site from R2 to PDH4 to allow development of up to 32 single-family detached lonely units at an FAR of 3.94. The proposed development would have a single point of access from Gallows Road and would be served by a network of private streets. A 10-foot-wide trail is

[04:33:59] proposed along Gallows Road and extended to Aston Street, except the section along the frontage of three unincluded residential lots. Five foot wide sidewalks are proposed along the private streets. An underground stormwater management facility is proposed at the southwestern corner of the site in conjunction with the proposed amenity area. 30% of the site would be open space. These images show the lot typical and conceptual architectural elevations. This concludes my presentation. Thank you. Thank you very much. At this time we'd welcome an

[04:34:39] applicants presentation. Good afternoon members of the board, Mr. Chair, again Kathy Taylor from the law firm of Walsh Clucci. It is a pleasure to be here this afternoon to present the rezoning component of this application. As you may recall the board did approve to adopt the associated plan amendment just this past August of this year. So I will be brief in my remarks as there has been a long history in the attempts to redevelop this particular assemblage of parcels the application before you this afternoon effectively resolves the

[04:35:14] redevelopment process so in addition to creating a new residential development that would add a housing stock I'll note just a couple additional benefits that this proposal would offer one a staff mentioned the implement implementation of stormwater management where none exists today that

would be designed to control the 1 to 10 and 100 year storm events and resolve existing off-site downstream flooding conditions that happen in the adjacent town home community to the west. This application would also improve and enhance or provide pedestrian infrastructure along Gallows Road, as you heard from staff, that would create safer connectivity to the adjacent residential neighborhoods

[04:35:52] as well as the Woodburn Elementary School and nearby county facilities. And most importantly, notwithstanding the relatively low volume that this new development would introduce into the larger area, the applicant recognizes the significant need for county plan traffic signal improvements at the Hemlock Drive and Aston Street intersections. To help advance those important public improvements, the applicant has proffered to a monetary contribution that is intended to serve as a catalyst towards the county prioritizing and moving forward with those much-needed improvements. Since the genesis of this

[04:36:29] plan amendment we have met with the community and has remained in active communication with communication with nearby HOAs and neighbors. We do believe that they have acknowledged that this proposal is largely compatible in density with the surrounding residential developments. With that the Mason Land District Land Use Committee has provided a recommendation of approval as well as staff and the Planning Commission. So we are happy to answer any questions you have and do also request your favorable consideration in this case. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant at this time? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing, and I do have two speakers who have signed up in advance to testify

[04:37:09] on this matter. Speaker number one, Dan Gibson, he is here, and he will be followed by Gary Andrianopoulos. Is he here? Okay, you will be speaker number two. Welcome, Mr. Gibson. Okay, thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you to the board. So I want to acknowledge today I'm joined by several community members in the galley. I'd like to acknowledge them and thank them for coming here to support this proposal. So I am the president of Homes Runacre Civic

[04:37:46] Association. HRA is a neighborhood of about 350 single-family homes directly across the street from the subject property. We're just inside the Beltway with Galley Road to the south. Our neighborhood includes the Woodburn Elementary School, as well as the Homes Run Pool, both of which get a lot of pedestrian traffic pretty much all year round, especially by children and families.

[04:38:08] So our main concern with this proposed development is its impact on Gallows Road traffic, especially with regard to left turns and pedestrian safety near the school. As the applicant mentioned, this is the third attempt to upzone this property.

[04:38:24] The prior two attempts were much higher density and ultimately did not proceed, and we're thankful for that. This current proposal is much more compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods. And as they mentioned, the developer has been responsive to citizen concerns, but we are still concerned about safety due to existing conditions on Gallows Road, and additional queuing that's going to be happening due to left turns at an unsignalized mid-block intersection serving this neighborhood.

[04:38:56] So currently, there's a big problem with pedestrian safety at Woodburn. This is directly across the street from the eastern section of the subject property. Children in these new homes are going to have to cross Gallows Road to go to this elementary school. They're going to have to cross four lanes of speeding cars.

[04:39:15] Excessive speeding has been documented in this area. There's poor visibility because it is downhill both ways towards the school. Currently, there's a crosswalk with an RRFD, so you press the button, you get some flashing lights. Problem is the cars don't stop. They just swerve around the pedestrians sometimes.

[04:39:33] County staff and transportation have acknowledged need for traffic signals at this intersection. The Gallows Road Multimode Transportation Study, the reports do out soon this fall or winter. Last summer in the presentation to the neighborhood, they highlighted the need for traffic lights here.

[04:39:53] Speaking with the FC Dot, V Dot, and the planning staff, we learned that this was going to cost about a million dollars. Basically, all stakeholders have acknowledged that this is a need, urgent need for this area, but funding has not been allocated.

[04:40:10] And what we've been told is that to get something like this approved and eventually funded, we're talking about 15 to 20 years or a tough time frame or longer. Our neighborhood has been advocating for traffic lights at this intersection for almost 50 years when a student was killed there in the 1970s.

[04:40:27] Another death about 20 years ago at the same intersection, and nothing's happened. So I've been told by planning and other folks that typically with things like this, the county provides the lion's share of the funding towards improvements like this. BDOT and the developer can provide smaller amounts.

[04:40:46] As mentioned, the developer has already agreed to proffer \$50,000 towards funding this light. I did a little back-of-the-envelope math here, and it looks like there's going to be a very large increase in tax base from this development. So I'm hoping here that the increase in tax revenue kind of obviates that excuse for no funding for traffic lights at this intersection.

[04:41:08] Now, I'm not the only one saying this. Northern Virginia Families for Safe Streets published a near-miss report and basically said this intersection is the most dangerous intersection in all of Mason District. There's documentation of many, many near misses at this intersection.

[04:41:26] Excessive speeding is known at this intersection and documented as well. There was basically a speed study done in 2019 showed that 10 miles per hour over the limit is the norm in this intersection. Multiple documentation shows in the Gallows Road Outreach that people basically are very concerned about adding speed mitigation and traffic lights to this intersection.

[04:41:55] So while the neighborhood doesn't necessarily oppose this development, in fact, we're supportive of it. We think it's the best solution for what's kind of an inevitable situation to develop this property. We hope that the Board of Supervisors can take the safety concerns of our neighborhood and other neighborhoods seriously and prioritize funding for these traffic lights as a condition of moving this forward.

[04:42:17] Thank you. Thank you very much for your testimony and for your Civic Association leadership. Appreciate it. Speaker number two is Jerry Andrianopoulos, who is president of the Raintree HOA. Welcome.

[04:42:34] Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the board. My name is Jerry Andrianopoulos, I'm the president of the Rain Tree Homeless Association, and I'm here to express the concerns you heard me talk about it before. I sent in a PowerPoint presentation, and you saw some of the pictures of what's going on.

[04:42:51] I would like to thank the applicant for providing this stormwater management system for the Haria flood, and also promise an escrow account of \$325,000 for the annual maintenance as the county requires.

[04:43:08] Now, my question is, will the county ask for those report of maintenance on an annual basis? The second issue that we have is canopy and the mature trees. The county has requirements that the applicant maintains a certain percentage of canopy in the area, and he has the option of removing dangerous trees and replanting.

[04:43:29] Because a lot of trees have been coming down in that area, the homeowners are concerned that the size of the trees will lead the trees to fall under houses, and this has happened from a neighboring property, not the assemblage. So the Rain Tree hopes that the county will work with the applicant to remove some of the leaning trees and permit them to replant to meet the percentages of the canopy.

[04:43:53] The county staff made a recommendation for a pedestrian walkway, okay, but the Rentry Association is opposed to that totally for a number of reasons, the primary being parking. Rentry was built for two cars per unit in the 70s, now most families have four cars, and we started getting into fifths, and we charge for the fourth car.

[04:44:15] So, if that pedestrian walkway is open, many people fear that residents will park over or the people that work in their houses or construction workers, whatever. And parking has become a big issue.

[04:44:32] So, that's the primary reason. The other reason is that many people are treating our common grounds as a Fairfax County Park and they actually argue that if you tell them they should not let the dogs run free in the area. That has increased to many problems regarding the cost of ground maintenance and picking up trash because they don't clean up after that.

[04:44:53] The other issue is liability. More pedestrians, more vehicles, and so on. We're going to have greater liability and legal costs for entry. And finally, easements. Once you give them up, you cannot remove them. So for those reasons, there's a no to the walkway.

[04:45:10] I have a photo there showing the exits of Reintree and Homeland Records that are across from each other. and there's a sign there of the bus. Now, the staff did not deal with the vehicle safety, the traffic issues. When you exit the HOA, okay, we make a left turn to go north on Gallos.

[04:45:30] Comrade Neckles makes a left turn to go south on Gallos. And because we're across from each other and there's no brakes in traffic, we have a lot of accidents. There is a flashing red light on the I-495 exit to Gallos Road south that permits traffic to go without even a strong hesitation.

[04:45:49] So we never get a break while the traffic is held up by the red lights over 495. And as I mentioned before, our solutions, a lot of the time, is to take Gallows Road south to Hammer Road to Nilever Turnpike north on 495 to catch Gallows Road north.

[04:46:07] Now, the applicant has asked for an exemption for a single exit, as they mentioned here. I don't know where that issue stands. But I hope that they will work with us to get VDOT to make that flashing red arrow a full stop light, even for 30 seconds, to give us a break in traffic.

[04:46:28] And the other point is that I drive a Jeep, and when I'm at the deep of the road where this exit will be, you cannot see the traffic coming. You can see the red light stopping the traffic over the overpass. So you assume there is no traffic coming. So we have a lot of accidents happening in that area.

[04:46:45] There is another photo here that shows the bus stops and how close it is to the exits. Now, when you get a break in traffic, especially during rush hour, in the morning and in the evening, the people waiting for the buses run across.

[04:47:01] And many times, because the driver is trying to make the left turns, you have accidents. So, in this case, again, a full stop red light at the exit of 495 will be very helpful. Madison Homes will increase pedestrian traffic, and even though they're paying for a shelter, a bus shelter at the other end by Woodburn School, I think most people will come closer to us because that's where the sole exit will be.

[04:47:31] So the county is pushing for more public transportation, and I think it's essential to work on that issue, on the lights, for pedestrian safety. Thank you. Thank you very much for your testimony. And let me ask if there is anyone else present who would like to speak on this item.

[04:47:52] Anyone else who would like to testify, this is a public hearing. Seeing and hearing no one. Let me verify that we have no callers. There are no callers. No callers. I want to give the applicant an opportunity to respond to the speakers. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[04:48:12] And I do appreciate the comments that were raised by both of these members of the community. These are not comments we have not heard already in our communication with both communities. I'll just say that in terms of the traffic, the existing traffic conditions today that, as the speakers have mentioned, we recognize is problematic.

[04:48:31] We've been working with both VDOT and FCDOT in at least the improvements that we can make with this development to help in what ways we can to alleviate that traffic condition. For example, with this proposal, we would be eliminating nine curb cuts from the existing homes along Gallows Road today and consolidating that into one access point, which I think is an important feature.

[04:48:54] We have already started working with VDOT, have submitted our AME, access management exceptions, to ensure that that access would be appropriate and is safe not only for the community, but those that would be traveling along Gallows. We didn't go into it, but the applicant would be offering off-site improvements at that Ashton Street intersection to improve the ability for anybody crossing on Gallows to be able to get across towards the Woodburn Elementary School.

[04:49:20] And as we mentioned, we are providing the contribution to hopefully kickstart. As everyone has mentioned, we do recognize that those traffic lights are important and need to be prioritized. So the hope is that by providing this contribution, we could help kickstart that process to get those lights implemented.

[04:49:37] In terms of some of the other comments, As with many of these types of applications, we would be including a tree inventory, identifying the trees that are dying that would need to be removed. The applicant is providing 30% open space. That includes a mix of high quality landscaping and tree preservation areas.

[04:49:54] And then finally, I will note that we do believe that the different ways that we are improving or proposing within this proposed development will improve the general area from what is there today.

[04:50:12] And we are happy to answer any questions you may have related to anything that you've heard. Thank you. Thank you very much. At this time, let me first ask for closing comments and a

recommendation from staff. On October 14, 2026, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the applications and the waiver request.

[04:50:34] Staff concurs the recommendations. Thank you. Thank you very much. Let me check questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Jimenez for a motion. Well, thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you to both the staff and the applicants and the community who has come out and who has reached out to our office, and we have taken meetings with them, obviously. At this point, the good news is that the density issue of this area seems to have been solved. We now need to look at safety concerns, as mentioned, and it is something that our office will be working very closely with the community, the applicant,

[04:51:11] staff moving forward. With that being said, it's certainly been a long road for this property, and as many of us know, this is not the first development proposal we've considered for this site. I want to begin by thanking the residents, especially those who came out and spoke today, for participating in this process and sharing your concerns. I also want to thank the applicant for their continued engagement and willingness to work with the surrounding community.

[04:51:35] I believe the proposal before us today represents a significant improvement over previous iterations both in terms of the overall development and the infrastructure improvements that would deliver. There are several important benefits associated with this application that I would like to highlight. First, stormwater management has been a long-standing concern for the surrounding neighborhoods, particularly the Rain Creek community which has experienced significant flooding over the years. The existing property currently lacks stormwater management controls and the applicant has committed to providing facility designs to manage stormwater

[04:52:11] runoff up to a hundred-year storm event. Second, the extension of public sewer infrastructure will allow existing homes that currently rely on septic systems to connect to the public sewer network. Third, the consolidation and reduction of the curb cuts along Gallows Road will help improve traffic circulation and reduce potential conflict points along an already challenging corridor.

[04:52:38] I also want to address the broader transportation concerns that residents have raised throughout this process i recognize that many of the community's concerns extend beyond this individual development and relate to the long-standing traffic and pedestrian safety challenges alongside gallows road those concerns are legitimate and i understand the frustration residents feel about the pace of the transportation improvements i want to assure the residents of this community that when the gallows road corridor study and its recommendations come before the board I will be advocating for prioritizing this section of the corridor for implementation.

[04:53:17] My goal is to ensure that these recommendations do not simply remain on paper, but that we work toward identifying the funding and partnerships necessary to turn them into an actual infrastructure improvement. The applicant's profit contribution will help strengthen our case for advancing those improvements, and I intend to continue working with FCDOT, VDOT, and their surrounding communities to move that effort forward.

[04:53:42] With that, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors approve RZ-2024-MA-00004, and the accompanying CDP subject to the executed proffers dated October 9th, 2026, and adopt the proposed zoning ordinance amendment reflecting approval of this application.

[04:54:05] I also move that the Board of Supervisors approve the waiver of the 600 feet maximum length requirement for a private street per subsection five one zero seven dot three a parenthesis three in parentheses of the zoning ordinance I'm happy to second that along with Supervisor Lusk and Supervisor Pouchek any further discussion on the motion let me just thank the two representatives from the two community communities for coming out and giving us a very clear well done presentation and look forward to working with you on the larger transportation issue as we move forward with that all those in favor of the motion please say

[04:54:45] aye aye any opposed any abstentions and that motion carries thank you all right we now have a public hearing on SC - 2026 - PR - zero zero zero zero four and Nova health services in the Providence District, and I am going to hand the gavel over to Vice Chairman Smith so that I can recuse myself from this public hearing.

[04:55:14] And as I mentioned earlier today, the Board of Supervisors has appointed me to serve as a member of the Inova Health System Foundation Board of Trustees, a position that receives no compensation out of an abundance of caution and not because it is legally required.

[04:55:30] I'm going to voluntarily recuse myself from the public hearing on this application, and I will not be participating in the discussion on this matter or voting on it. And with that, I am handing the gavel to Vice Chair Smith. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Supervisor Bierman.

[04:55:46] Thank you. As you know, the board has appointed me to serve on the Inova Health Care Quality and Reliability Committee. I receive no compensation for this service, but it is awfully interesting. I have an abundance of caution, and not because it is legally required. I am voluntarily recusing myself from the public hearing on this application, and I will not be participating in the discussion of this matter or voting on it.

[04:56:08] Before I leave the dais, I will disclose for the record that Inova trustee Paul Meisner donated in excess of \$100 to my campaign, and I donated in excess of \$100 to the campaigns of Vice Chairman Smith, Supervisor Alcorn, and Supervisor Palchuk. Thank you.

[04:56:24] Thank you, Supervisor Beerman. Okay. Could the applicant – yeah, we're going to get there. Could the applicant please reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon, Vice Chair Smith, members of the board.

[04:56:43] Dominic Boniuto on behalf of ANOVA, and I reaffirm the affidavit dated October 16, 2026. Thank you. Now, any disclosures from board members? Madam Chair, I disclose that Supervisor Jimmy Bierman donated in excess of \$100 to Friends of Dahlia Palchuk.

[04:57:00] Yes, you too. Likewise, disclose that Supervisor Beerman donated in excess of \$100 to friends of Walter Alcorn. And Supervisor Beerman, our favorite colleague, donated in excess of \$100 to Kathy Smith for supervisor. Now, I'll recognize staff for a presentation.

[04:57:19] Good afternoon, Madam Chair and members of the board. I'm Carl Schimé with the Department of Planning and Development. Subject property is the entirety of the Inova Fairfax Hospital Campus and Fairfax East Campus, located at the crossroads of I-495, Route 50, and Gallows Road in the Providence District.

[04:57:37] Inova recently rebranded and are designing a new sign system to unify the Fairfax Hospital Campus and the Fairfax East Campus, some examples of which are shown here, as well as here. Adequate wayfinding is especially necessary when guiding people towards both the adults and children's emergency rooms in critical situations.

[04:57:57] With the special exception, there are 207 new signs proposed for the Fairfax Hospital campus, and 142 new signs proposed for the Fairfax East Campus, for a total of 349 across the entirety of the subject property.

[04:58:13] Staff finds the proposal to be in harmony with the comprehensive plan and in performance with the zoning ordinance, and this concludes my presentation. Thank you very much. I'll now recognize the applicant for a presentation. Thank you, Vice Chair Smith. Again, Dominic Boniuto on behalf of the applicant.

[04:58:31] I'm joined here by members of our land use team, including our land use council, Tim Sampson from Downs, Racklin, Martin, and our land use consultant, Dave Sittler, who can help with answering any questions. I will say at the outset, since we have two members who have recused themselves, we very much appreciate you sharing these two members with us for service on the ANEVA board. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss with you our proposed sign modification plan, which will allow us to provide a more unified wayfinding on both sides of Gallows Road.

[04:58:58] All of you are very familiar with the current situation on Gallows Road, of course. On one side you've got Fairfax Hospital, Inova's largest and busiest hospital. We have more than 1,200 patients a day, more than 10,000 team members who serve those patients on multiple shifts throughout the day. And just when you think it couldn't get any more complex on that campus, Fairfax Hospital is the fourth busiest emergency room in the nation. On the other side of the street, we've got the Inova Center for Personalized Health, where we treat more than 1,000 patients a day, primarily through the Inova Cancer Center, and we've got 4,500 team members on that campus as well.

[04:59:38] This new proposal will allow us to provide, as I said, a more unified wayfinding on both sides of Gallows Road. It will allow us to put both campuses under the Inova Fairfax banner. We'll have Inova Fairfax Hospital campus and Inova Fairfax East campus. It will allow us to provide a unified front for both patients, visitors, and team members so that they can find where they're going and not wind up on the wrong side of Gallows Road, if you will.

[05:00:07] We also want to be able to help them make navigational decisions sooner so they can get to where they're going. And beyond sort of the text and the arrows of these signs, we see this as part of the overall patient experience and part of our commitment in terms of providing consistency, simplicity, and clarity so they can get to where they're going.

[05:00:30] As you all are very familiar, in times of high stress and potentially life-threatening situations, patients and visitors must be able to get to the correct destination and the care they need without delay. We hope you agree that the proposal before you is appropriate to the importance and scale of the regional health care campus in which this identifies and we're going to have to answer your questions. Thank you.

[05:00:56] Thank you very much. Do board members have any questions of staff or the applicant? Okay, this is a public hearing, and I don't have any speakers signed up. Is there anyone here in the auditorium that would like to speak to this? Okay, I'm going to ask the clerk if there's anybody on the phone.

[05:01:15] There are no callers. There's no callers. I guess there's no rebuttal. Closing comments and recommendation from staff? On October 14, 2026, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the SE consistent with development conditions dated October 1, 2026.

[05:01:34] Staff concurs with those recommendations. Okay, one more chance. Any questions from board members? All right, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Palczyk for a motion. Thank you, Madam Vice Chair. Before I read that motion, I very much want to say my thank you to INOVA and their staff, to our staff, to our community.

[05:01:56] And I appreciate that the sign plan also will help protect the existing trees and landscaping that are on the new, I guess, the east building. And I appreciate their outreach to the community through this process. As was shared, I do believe the visibility is important.

[05:02:13] And just the other day, I saw one of your new ambulances and the signage. And I think it is very important, especially in this very critical area and busy center of the county, that people be able to find their way to and around the hospital.

[05:02:29] So with that, I request that the applicant confirm for the record its agreement with the development conditions dated October 1st, 2026. We still confirm. I now move that the Board of Supervisors approve SE-2026-PR-00004 subject to the development conditions dated October 1, 2026.

[05:02:54] I'll second that motion along with Supervisor Lusk. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstention? That motion passes with Chairman McKay and Supervisor Beerman recuse from the vote. Thank you very much.

[05:03:11] And our next public hearing is a public hearing on PCA-2017-ZR-012, CDPA-2017-DR-012, Pomeroy Investments, Inc. and Pomeroy Companies, Inc. in the Drainsville District.

[05:03:40] And could the applicant please reaffirm the affidavit? Good afternoon. I'm Scott Adams with McGuire Woods, and I reaffirmed the affidavit dated August 4, 2026. Thank you very much. Are there disclosures from board members? Any disclosures from board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize county staff for a staff presentation.

[05:04:08] Good afternoon, board members. My name is Sharon Williams, and I'm with the Department of Planning and Development. These concurrent applications represent a request to permit additional development with a CDP. The 39.42-acre site consists of two vacant parcels zoned to the PRM district and located in the northeastern quadrant of the intersection of Sunrise Valley Drive and Frying Pan Road and the Drainsville District. The site is approximately 1.6 miles from the Innovation Metro Rail Station, and it contains good quality vegetation throughout. The applicant is proposing

[05:04:43] to amend the previous approval by adding additional development options for land bays A, B, C, D2, and F. At the base level, the applicant is proposing to generally carry forward the previously approved layout with modifications to the proposed uses in land bays C and D2 to replace the independent living facility in land bay C and the multifamily building in land bay D2 with stacked townhomes or BIPLEX units. And then the CDP, which is filed on the entire site, carries forward the maximum gross floor area of 2 million square feet with a mixed-use development at 1.15 FAR, which is inclusive of bonus density. It should be noted that the

[05:05:21] proposed square footage of residential development on site overall represents an increase of 388,000 square feet from the previous approval, although the overall FAR remains the same. And access to The site would continue to be proposed from Frying Pan Road and Sunrise Valley Drive.

[05:05:41] Each land bay continues to be provided with access with private streets and alleys at a minimum of 24 feet wide. The applicant has carried forward the commitment to provide 10-foot wide shared use paths throughout. And that concludes my presentation.

[05:05:57] Thank you so much. Thank you very much. At this time, we'd welcome an applicant's presentation. Good afternoon again, Mr. Chair, members of the board. Scott Adams with McGuire Woods on behalf of the applicant. Appreciate the opportunity to talk with you this afternoon about this application, which I think, as you heard from staff, is a fairly limited scope application, really trying to amend the Aurora Station rezoning with the goal of adding housing optionality to really make the site a little more marketable than it has been under the 2019 approval.

[05:06:35] Really, it's designed to better align the project with current market conditions and, again, try to jumpstart the housing on the site that has sort of stalled out since that original approval was made. As you heard from staff, the overall design of the site is really not changing.

[05:06:54] What we are focused on is just adding some additional optionality for different housing types within the existing land bays on the site. so that includes townhouses to over twos duplexes really trying to focus on smaller unit sizes that we think are going to be more marketable but also we think better hit some of the county's goals for affordability and entry-level housing options so as part of that you know some of the options that we had previously for multifamily are going away but also there was a senior housing

[05:07:29] component of the original approval that despite extensive marketing since 2019 we just haven't been able to find a user for and so getting rid of that as an option and replacing that with again new housing opportunities on the site again as you heard from the staff project conforms with the comprehensive plan or I guess continues to conform with the comprehensive plan we're not increasing the overall density really just shifting it around to better meet the market all All of the commitments from the prior approval are carried forward, and in a lot of cases, enhanced and brought up to current standards.

[05:08:07] So you are seeing an improvement in that sense. All of the significant transportation commitments, the grid of streets, the pedestrian improvements are all being carried forward. We continue to have a coordinated, well-designed urban park space, including a larger public green, and then smaller and medium-sized interconnected parks throughout the project. So at the end of the day, again, we think this is a fairly straightforward application, really trying to tweak the existing approval without trying to recreate the wheel, but doing it in a way that we think is really going to spur housing

[05:08:44] opportunities in this area. So with that, respectfully request your approval today and happy to answer any questions. Thank you very much for that. Are there any questions of staff or the applicant, Supervisor Beerman. Thank you. So the tweak is going to hopefully spur more housing production. How much? So under the FDP, we currently have 700 units that are proposed.

[05:09:12] And then assuming those move forward, you've got a significant amount that would follow that in the CDP. Terrific. That's what I wanted to hear. Thank you. Thank you very much. Are there any

additional questions of staff or the applicant? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing and I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify.

[05:09:32] Is there anyone here present who would like to speak? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to speak on this matter? Seeing and hearing none, let me ask if we have any callers. There are no callers. No callers. The applicant waives rebuttal, closing comments, and a recommendation from staff.

[05:09:47] On September 16, 2026, the Planning Commission approved the FDPA and recommended approval of the PCA and CDPA and the waivers and modifications as listed on the staff report cover, which was published June 25th, 2026 and staff concurs with those 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 bierman for a motion i thank you mr chairman i move that the board of supervisors approve pca 2017-dr-012 and the associated conceptual development plan amendment cdpa

[05:10:25] 2020 sorry cdpa 2017-dr-012 subject to the proffers dated september 24th 2026 and i further move that the board of supervisors approve the waivers and modifications as lift listed on the staff report cover published on june 25th 2026 and chair will second that motion is there discussion on the motion yes supervisor beerman um we've been working at this a long time this is an entitlement that's been in place since 2019. I'm eager to see housing built on that site. I think it really does will

[05:11:01] enhance the area. I know actually the folks at Florist Methodist Church next door have asked me quite a bit about more housing on that site. That church happens to have a social justice focus around more housing. So the quicker you can deliver, the better. And I hope that this helps you get there. So thank you. Thank you. And those are all the reasons why I seconded the motion.

[05:11:27] Excuse me. Sorry. Yes. Supervisor Beerman, could you please add the motion to adopt the zoning ordinance amendment as well? Sorry. I didn't I do that? No. Sorry. I'm working off the paper that

[05:11:52] I move that the Board of Supervisors approve PCA 2017-DR-012 and the Associated Conceptual Development Plan Amendment CDPA 2017-DR-012, subject to the proffers dated September 24, 2026, and adopt the proposed voting ordinance amendment reflecting approval of these applications.

[05:12:27] And I further move that the Board of Supervisors approve the waivers and modifications as listed on the staff report cover published June 25, 2026. And that is what I seconded, and that's the new language we're getting used to. So I seconded that motion. Is there further discussion on the motion?

[05:12:45] Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Thank you. Thank you. Next, we have a public hearing on proposed plan amendment 2013-3-FC1C, Fairfax Center Area Phase 3, core area in both the Braddock and Springfield districts.

[05:13:12] And as soon as they are ready, this is a plan amendment. I would recognize our county staff for a staff presentation. Good evening, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Ryan Stewart, representing the Department of Planning and Development.

[05:13:30] With me tonight are my colleagues, Kelly Atkinson, Graham Owen, Sahar Hamdard, and Thomas Burke with the Department of Transportation. The Fairfax Center area includes 5,300 acres of land west of the city of Fairfax and is the subject of several plan amendments. On October 13th, the board adopted plan amendments concerning land units J and K, shown in purple and yellow.

[05:13:51] Tonight, we're considering the suburban center's core area in land units A and B and its vicinity, shown in blue. Fair Lakes, shown in green, is under review and currently scheduled for public hearings in early 2027. The Fairfax Center Area Planning Study is a phased effort that began in 2013, with the first phase addressing the low-density neighborhoods surrounding the suburban center.

[05:14:11] In 2016, Phase 2 established the guiding planning principles for the Fairfax Center area, and the concept for future development calls for a premier mixed-use activity center with the highest intensities focused around a future-planned transit station. High-quality design, placemaking, connectivity, and environmental protection are key elements of this vision.

[05:14:34] In authorizing this third phase in 2016, the board directed staff to consider the land use mix and intensity in the core area, informed by a transportation analysis. The scope has since been revised to include increased residential use at the reserve at Fairfax Corner in Land Unit I-1 and the results of government-centered visioning, the effort to reimagine the campus and the future needs of the county's residents.

[05:14:57] I want to acknowledge the efforts of those involved in this study. First, our community task force was a combined Braddock and Springfield team, and it played a key role in shaping this amendment. Government center visioning was guided by a team of agency heads and subject matter experts who have a role in its daily operations.

[05:15:14] And these two groups were supported by staff and consultant teams. And we want to thank the public, the residents, visitors, the business community, the land use committee advisors, and all others who participated in the nearly 35 public events, in-person and virtual meetings, open houses, online engagement, and countless individual conversations.

[05:15:33] The study area today contains a wide range of uses, from mixed use at Fairfax Corner, to traditional retail at the Fair Oaks Mall, Fair Lakes Promenade, and Fairfax Town Center, and also offices, hotels, and residential neighborhoods. When considering the land use mix and intensities, staff in the task force identified areas with the potential for redevelopment in the coming decades.

[05:15:56] In coordination with the area's landowners and with the feedback of the community, mixed-use concepts were developed that were then quantified and evaluated for their feasibility. You'll note a shift away from the non-residential uses and an increase of nearly 5,500 multifamily units or its equivalent.

[05:16:12] This could be a slightly lower amount just depending on the style of unit. But the scenario seeks to encourage economic growth, ridership potential, and future investments in mass transit, but within the capacity limits of the existing network. and it can be accomplished without Metro's arrival.

[05:16:31] The study recognized the need to provide a visual framework to promote a coordinated development pattern across the core area. These conceptual figures are meant to advance the area's vision and are not intended to be prescriptive. And many of the elements shown, such as the planned extension of Government Center Parkway across 66, are in the adopted text today and are proposed to be shown graphically for clarity.

[05:16:50] These new figures build upon the adopted guidance of a connected, transit-oriented design, a well-considered system of parks and open spaces, streetscape enhancements, and placemaking elements. And beginning with Fairfax Quest that just celebrated its opening yesterday, Government Center Visioning

sought to update the campus's original master plan as the seat of local government and a focal point for the Fairfax Center area.

[05:17:14] It considered the area-wide vision, current and future county needs, and feedback from the public. The resulting concept reflects a mixed-use civic center to accommodate a wide range of uses and activities in an urban-style, walkable setting, a main street for Fairfax County. The key provisions are summarized on this slide.

[05:17:32] I will note that parking for large-scale campus events, such as elections like we have today, festivals, public meetings, these were all primary considerations. The intent is not to reduce the number of spaces on campus, but to transition parking to structures and areas convenient to services and activities.

[05:17:48] And I will note that the campus will likely develop in phases, so some portions will likely continue to serve as surface parking for years to come. The transportation analysis demonstrated that the existing road network can support the proposed land use scenario.

[05:18:05] with the results similar to the adopted plan today. There are opportunities for improvements along key corridors. The study also supports improvements to the area's bike and pedestrian networks. And there's the potential to enhance streetscapes, especially along mixed-use local streets envisioned for greater activity.

[05:18:21] This slide provides an example design. The Planning Commission recommended some additional street trees be included in the streetscape concepts as detailed in your board packet. And finally, staff recommends changes to the area-wide guidance. The proposed language serves to modernize the chapter with respect to new county-wide policies and practices, advance the county's goals and priorities for the area, and as needed, provide additional clarification and specificity beyond the county-wide policy plan.

[05:18:47] As detailed in the staff report, the proposal modifies the planned land use mix and intensities within Land Units A, B, and Subunit I-1, and includes changes to the area-wide guidance. Editorial updates are proposed to reflect existing development.

[05:19:03] The Fairfax Center area is a desirable place to live, work, shop, and recreate, and this planned amendment helps to ensure the area's vitality for the future. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This concludes staff's presentation. Thank you very much, and I want to, as I always do, give the nominator, if the nominator is present, an opportunity to share anything.

[05:19:22] I don't see the person I have listed as the nominator. Okay, without that presentation, let me ask at this time if there are any questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing, and I have no speakers who have signed up in advance who wish to testify on this matter.

[05:19:41] Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this specific subject? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, let me check if we have any callers. There are no callers. No callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff.

[05:19:57] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Staff recommends adoption of Plan Amendment 2013, Roman Numeral 3, FC1C. On September 30, 2026, the Planning Commission endorsed the findings of the staff

report dated September 9, 2026, and, as I mentioned previously, recommended that the Board adopt the amendment with changes to support the inclusion of additional street trees in the area's street safe design.

[05:20:18] Staff concurs with this change. Thank you very much. Last check, questions from Board members? Seeing and hearing none, I will close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Sizemore-Heiser for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Before I make a motion, just a couple of things I'd like to say about this.

[05:20:33] First, I am so grateful to staff, to the Fay Street Fairfax Center Area Task Force, who worked with county staff, Planning Commissioner Cortina, James Thomas, Timothy Sargent, and the other members of the task force from Braddock, Carrie Adams, Serena Mateen, and also from Springfield, Jimmy, Shaughnessy, and Teo Stamise.

[05:20:52] I was so excited to be able to be a part of these conversations on the Fairfax Corps when I started this position. This really, truly has a way of reinventing what civic life, what affordable housing, what retail and mixed use with transit and walkability in green spaces could look like in creating the true Main Street of Fairfax County, right in the center of Fairfax County.

[05:21:16] I appreciate that this is building on 10 years of planning for this area, including the Government-Centered Visioning Project and a review of Fairfax Corner, Fair Oaks Mall, the residential neighborhoods and commercial and retail spaces, and working with a wide range of stakeholders and even incorporating my feedback because I came into this role early this year.

[05:21:35] The goal here is to make something that I think is unique around the country, which is civic life is not separate from retail and housing and transit. It's not separate from the rest of life. It's incorporated within all of life.

[05:21:51] So this is a very unique opportunity to have civics, housing, green space, all of it combined. And I'm really glad to see the inclusion of a possible metro station and some sort of transit hub in this as well to help with public transit to make the vision of a walkability transit hub a reality.

[05:22:07] So with that, Mr. Chairman, I move that the board adopt the Planning Commission's recommendation for a plan amendment PA-2013-3-FC1C as shown on the board item. And the chair is happy to second that, along with Supervisor Herity, discussion on the motion.

[05:22:27] Let me just thank all the folks who participated in this. And it is not lost on me the timing of this and the perfection of that. As was mentioned, many of us, almost all of us, attended the ribbon cutting just yesterday on the affordable housing development right out in front of the government center.

[05:22:48] And honestly, it was spectacular and I think was a preview of what could happen if we activate the area around the government center and invite, be more inviting to, as you outlined, have other uses in this civic space that really define what life is really like and invite people in to participate with their government in so many different ways.

[05:23:11] And one of the takeaways from yesterday was just how opportunistic it was to take what was a dead corner of a sea of asphalt parking and turned it into something special with activation, with people, with life.

[05:23:29] And obviously, there's so many things around here to be able to take advantage of-- the trail network, the transit parking deck that was built not long ago, the two affordable housing developments

that now are in place around the government center with so much more potential to improve this area.

[05:23:47] And so I do want to thank all the folks who have been involved in this. I know it has been a long time coming, and I'm glad we are here today. Supervisor Herity. Yeah, Mr. Chairman, thank you. The Fairfax area is anchored by the Government Center, but it's also got Fairfax Corner and the Fair Oaks Mall in it.

[05:24:04] Fair Oaks Mall represents one of the last large areas in the county poised for redevelopment. The Government Center, of course, houses our many employees and serves many of our residents. The plan amendment is predominantly in the Springfield District and contains more than a doubling of the development potential for housing and increases retail, office space, and hotel rooms.

[05:24:26] It also includes the potential for new sports tourism, entertainment, and event spaces. To contribute to the subunit's character as a regional destination, sports tourism, entertainment, and event hosting uses may also be appropriate.

[05:24:42] I attended a number of the community meetings and met with our county agencies and leaders. And Rebecca, thank you for your focus on our visitors here. While I'm supportive of the proposed improvements to the Government Center campus, we must remember that this campus is for our employees and our residents, and they need ability to easily access and utilize parking spaces.

[05:25:06] The Government Center currently is used as an election site, as we know. However, on the website, there's a quote that says, "Parking may be limited due to construction and ongoing events." So we need to be-- and I want to thank staff for their focus, and Rebecca for your focus on making sure that we made parking for our guests and our visitors and our staff a priority in this application.

[05:25:32] We want to encourage voting here, not discourage it. So I want to thank you and call you out for that specifically, as well as all the great things we're doing over at Fair Oaks. This is another plan that's taking advantage of the significant transportation improvements on the I-66 corridor, allows for predictable commutes in a corridor for both bus and carpoolers.

[05:25:53] Several transportation elements allow for flexibility during design phases, and I'm excited to see the potential for connections across I-66 from the Government Center and to Fair Oaks Mall. I would also like to thank everybody involved, staff, Brink McKinney from my office, the Task Force Planning Commissioners, Mary Cortina and James Thomas and and Tim Sargent who was stepping in when I didn't have a Planning Commissioner. We can always count on Tim to do the right thing. I'm going to be supporting the amendment and recommend the same for my colleagues. Thank you. Thank You

[05:26:31] Supervisor Herity and 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. And next, we have a public hearing on the acquisition of certain land rights necessary for the construction of the Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit RHBRT Project 2G40-162-000 in both the Franconia and Mount Vernon districts. And as soon as they are ready,

[05:27:07] we would welcome a staff presentation. I did not get the memo to keep it brief. There's a lot of on this one, guys, so bear with me. It was about six minutes when I ran through it. Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Jim Strayhorn, and I am a right-of-way specialist

[05:27:44] with the Fairfax County Department of Transportation. I serve as the real estate manager for the Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit Project. I've been overseeing the acquisition of land rights for this project. I am presenting today on behalf of the Land Acquisition Division of the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The Richmond Highway Bus Rapid Transit Project is based on recommendations from a Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation study.

[05:28:12] 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 system for the Richmond Highway Corridor. Public outreach consisted of mailings, public information meetings in person and virtual, along with focused meetings with several groups and individuals along the corridor.

[05:28:31] This outreach was ongoing for approximately three to four years prior to the start of the acquisition phase. 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 and North Kings Highway from Fort Belvoir to the Huntington Metro Rail Station in two sections.

[05:28:55] The improvements constructed as part of this project will provide an upgraded roadway cross-section for Richmond Highway, including new bicycle and pedestrian facilities along the corridor, and a dedicated transit way for the BRT system. To better manage the overall acquisition process, the land rights required for the BRT project have been divided into utility zones.

[05:29:15] To date, acquisitions have been completed on a just-in-time basis. For example, we secured all necessary land rights for Utility Zone A in December 2025, allowing utility relocation in that area to begin in January 2026. The focus of this hearing is the acquisition of land rights to continue utility relocation into what we call Zone B.

[05:29:35] The current project schedule requires that property rights be acquired in this zone by the end of 2026. This will allow the prompt start of utility relocations in Zone B to begin in early 2027. Delays to the start of utility relocations will affect overall project construction and deliverance.

[05:29:53] Zone B consisted of 88 parcels, and to date we have acquired land rights on 51 of these parcels. Overall, we have acquired land rights on 118 affected parcels. This includes 39 whole parcel acquisitions. Ongoing activities include the removal of structures on acquired properties.

[05:30:10] The demolition of 24 structures along the county portion have already been completed. During this phase, FCDOT has partnered with multiple agencies across Fairfax County to ensure efficient, safe, and a community-focused process. The Building Design and Construction Division has played a key role by administering contracts and overseeing the day-to-day activities of the demolition contractor while implementing a recycling program for materials when feasible.

[05:30:37] Dominion, Washington Gas, and Verizon are actively advancing utility relocation work through Zone A. Cox Spectrum is scheduled to begin its relocation activities in Zone A following completion of Dominion's work. Together, these partnerships reflect FCDOT's strong commitment to collaboration, safety, and responsible stewardship throughout every stage of this project.

[05:30:57] Initially, this hearing was to cover 50 parcels. We will be removing a number of parcels due to achieving settlements on multiple properties. The parcels to be removed will be eliminated from the

resolution. We have reached an agreement on the highlighted properties, but cannot be certain that we will settle prior to the deadline to file a certificate.

[05:31:15] Although acquisitions are ongoing, we are here today to ask permission to finalize the acquisition of these 37 parcels, or properties, excuse me. Finalizing these acquisitions now is necessary due to overall project scheduling requirements. Adherence to this schedule will ensure the prompt start of the utility relocation phase and prevent delays to the overall construction schedule.

[05:31:37] The next five slides show the parcels that are part of this resolution. Negotiations have been ongoing on some of these parcels since as far back as 2022, with the final first written offer in this zone going out in April of this year. The majority of these properties are considered partial acquisition or easement only, meaning that only strips of land rights along Richmond Highway frontage will be affected by the acquisitions.

[05:32:04] Settlements have not been recorded or reached with these properties due to multiple reasons. In some instances, we received counter-offers that we were unable to approve due to lack of justifications necessary to not only meet county requirements but also FTA requirements. It is important to recognize that negotiations will continue if this action is approved.

[05:32:23] The team will continue to meet with all remaining affected owners and their representatives to work towards settlement. We would also mention again that settlements are in process on multiple properties, and we're optimistic that the final settlements may be reached prior to filing a certificate of take on several settled properties.

[05:32:39] In instances where we cannot complete settlement prior to filing the certificate of take, the county will honor the settlement in place and record an agreement after certificate. 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.

[05:33:00] Thank you. Representatives from the Office of the County Attorney, FCDOT, the Project Management Consultant, and the Land Acquisition Division are here to answer questions you may have. Thank you very much for that. Let me ask if there are any questions of board members. Supervisor Stork.

[05:33:17] Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And we've had conversations regarding this for now years, and I appreciate the work that the team has been doing to acquire these properties. And I know the owners have also been aware of our activity for years.

[05:33:33] A couple concerns have come up in the community. I know we've talked about it. I just want to make abundantly clear to the community what this impact is specifically on them. So is the Woodley Hills estate property tax map 93-3 double circle 31-6 included in the BRT project's land acquisition plans?

[05:33:54] It is. And will any mobile home lots, homes, roads, entrances, parking areas, utilities, or community facilities be affected? Not directly. So there are impacts to the property at the front edge of Dart Drive entrance and at the Camellia entrance.

[05:34:17] If you refer to attachment 32 of the board package, you'll see a listing of those rights, including a dedication of 933 square feet along the corner of Dart Drive and Route 1, and various storm drainage and county utility easements and grading agreements along Camellia Drive.

[05:34:35] Okay, and I'm going to ask this because I think this is really the core question that we've gotten from... Some of the community members particularly want to thank Abigail Vasquez for reaching out and sharing her concerns. Is the county considering the relocation or removal of any residents or of the entire mobile home community?

[05:34:55] Not at all. So I know there's some confusion because of how it was drawn on the map, and I share that. I wish it had been done otherwise, but I also recognize that that is the parcel that you're having to address.

[05:35:10] And we're talking about just a sliver of it along Richmond Highway that would be specific you expected. And we don't anticipate any other impact other than that sliver along Richmond Highway. If my laser pointer, oh, turn on the laser pointer.

[05:35:26] This is the Dart Drive entrance. There's a little bit of dedication here with county utility easement for pole relocation all along from here's Route 1, Richmond Highway. And here's the corner where we are. So the Woodley Hills property extends to the left, and it includes this sliver along Dart Drive.

[05:35:45] And this is where the BRT construction is impacting at Dart Drive. If you go to further down the plat, here is the Camilla Drive entrance. And the property line for the community actually is right here, where Camilla Drive extends into the community.

[05:36:02] And there's various grading agreements and storm drainage and county utility easements for utility relocation in that area. Further, Supervisor Stork, if you look here, there's a temporary construction easement going along a county-owned property that's going to be a stormwater management pond.

[05:36:19] We are actually in the process with design of eliminating that at the request of the community to preserve the fence. However, at the time of this hearing, we were unable to secure VDOT approval to eliminate it from this proceeding. But we do think in the after-certificate condition that VDOT would accept it.

[05:36:37] It's going to be our maintained facility. However, when you have appraisals involved, any impact, any change to the plan requires a reappraisal, and the project schedule just could not support that. But the closest we get in that area was about 20 feet from one of the homes.

[05:36:53] But we're going to try and eliminate that. Yeah, I understand. I think, you know, for some of these folks, this was, I mean, there's a lot of fears already along the highway because of some of the impacts that our redevelopment is having on property there, and they want to be assured.

[05:37:09] This is a county-owned facility, if you will, and county-managed facility as a result of, frankly, what happened 35, 40 years ago with what is now the North Hill affordable housing and senior housing community.

[05:37:25] So I just want to make very clear to all folks, and we'll be able to share that with them as well. Yes, sir. We appreciate the clarification, and we apologize for the confusion. And I think I understand it, but I also recognize there are concerns and fears about it. So thank you. Great.

[05:37:40] Thank you, Supervisor Stork, and thank you for those questions, clarifications. If there are no further questions from board members at this time, this is a public hearing, and I do have two speakers who have signed up in advance to testify.

[05:37:56] One, I understand, has been asked to be removed, but I'm going to call her name anyway to verify. Speaker number one, Christina Lawler. Is Christina here? Okay. She had requested to be removed from the speakers list, And I have a new speaker who has signed up, Roy Shannon.

[05:38:13] Mr. Shannon is here. Please come on down. Welcome. Good afternoon again, Chairman and Supervisors. My name is Roy Shannon. I'm with the law firm of Shannon and Wright. I'm here on behalf of the property owner of Parcel 592, which is 2901 Popkins Lane, St. Louis Catholic Church.

[05:38:35] At this time, part of our reason for being here is we want to be involved in direct conversations with the county on this issue. We haven't had those direct conversations with the county while we've worked with the vendor. We have taken steps to provide the county with information to have further discussions.

[05:38:54] We're looking forward to those further discussions. I don't know if we could get this wrapped up in 30 days. My client is a large client with a lot of bureaucracy in and of itself, but we will endeavor to do that. I recognize that these negotiations continue.

[05:39:12] My concern is the amount of time, and I'm sure we can come to an agreement. But again, part of this is to be here to show that we're all in on this effort to move this forward. Thank you. Thank you. Let me ask if there's anyone else present who would like to speak on this matter.

[05:39:30] Anyone else present? This is a public hearing. Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers. There are no callers. There are no callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff. Staff recommends adoption of the resolution.

[05:39:46] Thank you very much. Last check, questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Lusk for a motion. Okay, thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I want to just acknowledge that I believe that each of the Board of Supervisors members have received a copy of this revised resolution dated October 27, 2026, which lists all the individual properties that are yet to be acquired.

[05:40:17] But I'm going to now go through a motion, and I will identify those properties that we have now reached agreements with. They're going to include nine owners and 13 different properties. So, Mr. Chairman, county staff has distributed to members of the Board of Supervisors, again, this revised resolution that is dated today, October 27, 2026, for this acquisition of land.

[05:40:44] This revised resolution reflects a reduced scope of acquisitions still needed for the BRT project. It is the same as this draft resolution that was presented in the board package and sets forth the public use of this eminent domain action, except that it differs by removing the properties that no longer are the subject of this action today.

[05:41:07] The owners and tax map numbers of the originally listed properties have now been removed from the list as follows. One, Sean Vermillion and Helen Vermillion, 0931-01-0019 and 0931-16-0013.

[05:41:33] Second, FRG Beacon Groveton LLC, 0931-38-01-0001A, and 0931-T38-01-0001A.

[05:41:58] Number three, NFP Affordable Housing Corp. 0931-01-0098A. Number four, Brent S. Moss and Melissa Moss. 0922-19-0101.

[05:42:23] Number five, Stephen, Rob, and Christine Puma, 0922-19-0102. Number six, Najibullah Ahmad, 0931-18E-0175 and 0931-18E-0176.

[05:42:56] Number seven, Ty Jackson and Tanya Jackson. 0, 9, 3, 1, dash 1, 8, E, dash 1, excuse me, correction, I'll read that again. 0, 9, 3, 1, dash 1, 8, E, dash 0, 1, 6, 8.

[05:43:17] Number eight, Thomas Arturo Humana Iglesias, Cecilia Rubidia Marquez Hernandez, and Thomas Humana Marquez. Zero nine three one dash one eight F dash zero one eight four.

[05:43:36] Number nine, Sean Vermillion and Helen Vermillion, their second property. Zero nine three one dash one six dash zero zero one four. and number 10, All-Star Management, Inc. 0924-01-0077C.

[05:44:01] The properties listed in the October 27, 2026 revised resolution remain subject to the eminent domain action. Properties that have already reached an agreement with the county but have not yet settled will have certificates of take recorded and closing takes placed prior to the date to record the certificate. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the county executive's recommendation to acquire the required land rights for the BRT through the process of eminent domain for the

[05:44:38] properties that have been identified in the revised resolution days, October 27, 2026, And in this public hearing, so moved. I'm happy to second that along with Supervisor Stork. First, let me make sure no one needs the motion repeated, right?

[05:44:56] Mr. Chairman, I don't think I can repeat this motion. We're good. But I will say I do want to comment because, as we said, when this item originally came through, that when it got to this point, it would be amended and a number of these issues would be taken care of.

[05:45:11] And just to remind folks, this is a tremendously complex public improvement project with a lot of properties that are impacted in various ways. And we've been at this for a lot of years, and so I do want to thank staff for all the technical work that goes behind this, because it's a lot.

[05:45:29] And for those reasons, I'm happy to support the motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Supervisor Stork. I want to echo that, of course, and I also want to recognize particularly the challenges associated with when you have a kind of, if you will, a group ownership.

[05:45:47] In this case, the St. Louis Catholic Church and all of the members of that church obviously have perspectives, and this is a more difficult part of what we're doing because the retaining wall, and I mean, it's just if you know the area, you know that this is not going to be simple. And I appreciate all Involve's efforts to address and resolve that. And I'm confident that the team that's in place will continue to work with everybody. And I have no doubt all of our objectives are to resolve this prior to any kind of taking. So I know the

[05:46:24] efforts are there. I know the interests are there. Hopefully we can bring folks together. I mean, we still even have a county facility that's part of our conversation still that's not been. So it just takes a long time, more than we want at times, and this is something that's ongoing, but we can't afford to not keep this project moving forward as close to getting it done as quickly as possible because construction costs are going up every single day, and we are I know I am, and I can speak, I'm sure, for others, we're very, very nervous that if we don't stay on track, the costs are going to be even

[05:47:02] greater, which makes it even more difficult to ensure that this project is completed on time in the way that it was originally planned. So all in, and I'll continue to work with all of you. And if members of the community have any particular questions or concerns regarding the properties on the Mount

Vernon District, please don't hesitate to talk with me or my office, or really just as importantly, talk to Jim Serhorn and his staff regarding those properties. So thank you.

[05:47:28] Thank you, Supervisor Stork. And if there's no further discussion, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Thank you. And next, we have a public hearing on a proposed zoning ordinance amendment regarding 2026 Code of Virginia updates. And we're going to give staff a moment to shuffle here. And as soon as they are

[05:47:56] ready, we would welcome a staff presentation. Afternoon. Austin Gastrell, Fairfax County

[05:48:34] Department of Planning and Development. We are here tonight to discuss a proposed zoning ordinance amendment in response to recent Code of Virginia updates which became effective statewide on July 1st as stated in the staff report the proposed changes are the general or generally the minimum necessary changes to adhere to newly amended state code provisions the first set of bills we'll talk about tonight is HB 655 and HB 1463 related to manufactured homes specifically HB 655 was a bill which permits manufactured how homes on any

[05:49:10] individual lot within a residential or planned development district where site built homes are allowed. This bill also updates use specific standards for manufactured homes and actually prohibits localities from treating manufactured homes in a more restrictive manner than site-built homes. The second of the two manufactured home bills is HB 1463 which expands permissions for non-conforming manufactured home parks to allow the placement of a manufactured home on any open lot regardless of whether any open lot within a manufactured home park regardless of whether or not there is actually a manufactured home on that lot. In response staff proposes to amend the

[05:49:47] nonconformity standards to reflect that a manufactured home may be placed on an open pad site in a nonconforming manufactured home park. The next slide here we're going to talk about two sets of bills related to solar power facilities. The first of these bills is HB 711 which establishes applies to the The solar power facility is the capacity of at least one megawatt that are subject to special exception approval.

[05:50:11] It updates use-specific standards such as setbacks, height restrictions, site-specific requirements that were laid out in the legislation. And it establishes a mandatory review criteria for applications related to this type of solar power facility. This bill also adds an additional submission requirement during SE application for analyzing the visual impact of the solar power facility on certain adjacent properties.

[05:50:35] Secondly is HB 891, which is related to battery energy storage systems, and this bill actually permits an accessory battery energy storage system when located on a lot with a solar power facility that is approved by special exception with the caveat that the accessory best cannot have a storage capacity that is more than the solar power facility.

[05:51:01] so it would mean to be less than or equal to the solar power facility located on the lot. This bill also prohibits a locality from requiring an amendment to a special exception in order to permit this accessory best which meets the criteria as established by HB 891. Next is a set of two bills related to existing and temporary wireless facilities.

[05:51:23] First off, HB 277 prohibits denial of certain existing modification requests for a facility that as long as the modification request has not substantially changed the dimensions of the facility or only if the

request also involves co-location, removal, or replacement of the transmission equipment.

[05:51:44] In response, staff proposes to update use-specific standards for existing wireless facilities to reflect the requirements of HB 277. Secondly is HB 876, and this is related to temporary support structures or temporary wireless facilities.

[05:51:59] And it defines and establishes regulations for temporary wireless support structures. These structures need to be deemed necessary based on a criteria that's outlined in this bill and are intended to provide essentially coverage for a set period of time and are not intended to be installed on a permanent footing or be permanent on a site.

[05:52:20] The actual temporary support structures themselves, again, are intended to provide wireless coverage or transmission coverage within a designated area. Staff proposes to process these requests as an administrative permit with a renewal option as is outlined in the state code requirements.

[05:52:39] Pursuant to HB 876, temporary support structures may be approved for an initial period of 180 days with an option to renew this application for a period not to exceed a total of two years. And the importance of this bill is when that two years is up, they do need to be removed from the site. Next is HB 888, which is referred to as the Designated Area Parking Bill.

[05:52:59] And this establishes new residential parking requirements for properties located within one-half mile of these newly defined mass transit and public transportation stations. And I say newly defined because the bill gives us a definition to say that a mass transit or public transportation station includes a building or enhanced structure where the general public boards or disembarks mass transit or public transportation.

[05:53:22] On your screen, you do see a map. You may recognize this map from Parking Reimagined. We've added blue circles on the map. Those blue circles do show the new designated areas, and they are one-half mile, again, around those public transportation and mass transit stations.

[05:53:37] And this bill really only impacts residential development. And within these new designated areas, a single-family dwelling, attached or detached, could have no more than one parking space as a minimum requirement, and one half of a parking space for multifamily dwellings or one half of a parking space for any dwelling within a mixed-use residential development.

[05:53:59] So this would mean that if I had a development that had townhouses as well as had multifamily, the entire development for residential would be held to that half a parking space within this designated area as the requirement. Additionally, what staff proposes to do in response to this bill is to amend the existing parking tiered framework, which is established as parking reimaged to add this new designated area as a tier.

[05:54:24] And lastly, HB 888 does require localities with a population greater than 20,000 to establish an administrative parking process for developers to request a parking reduction of at least 20% for residential, multifamily, and mixed-use development outside of the designated area.

[05:54:43] In response, staff identified an existing provision within our administrative parking adjustments that can be one of our transit-related adjustments that could be modified to meet the criteria of HB 888. Lastly is HB 153, and this is related to high-energy use facilities, which we refer to as HOOFs.

[05:55:05] A HOOF is any facility requiring 100 megawatts or more of energy from an electric utility provider, and the importance there is from the electric utility provider. This bill requires submission of a noise study showing the impact of the proposed facility on residential units or schools within 500 feet of the application property, as well as a statement from the electric utility provider indicating the anticipated energy demands of the facility and the source of that energy.

[05:55:32] When reviewing this bill, staff did determine that the only use that could feasibly require this amount of energy would be a data center, And as such, we are proposing to amend the application requirements for data centers to include the fact that these new criteria would be required at time of application.

[05:55:49] This concludes my presentation, and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have on this matter. Thank you. And let me just say, to be clear at the beginning of this, I think it's implied in the title, but just to remind people that might be listening, is that these are changes as a result of the last General Assembly session.

[05:56:06] These are laws passed in the Commonwealth of Virginia that are imposed upon localities. These are not our ideas. We may like some of them. We may not like all of them. But the reality is, while we're having a public hearing in this, this is a formality as these are required changes that are prompted by changes in state law.

[05:56:25] Other questions? Supervisor Alcorn. Yeah, just very quickly on the HB 888 slide, the parking slide. Those numbers that you provided, basically state law does not allow us to set minimums higher than these numbers.

[05:56:42] That is correct. So if an applicant voluntarily wants to provide additional parking, that would still be allowed, right? Correct. These are parking minimums, not parking maximums. The county cannot require more than one or one-half space. Okay. Yeah, these numbers were clearly provided by someone who's never been to a meeting like that.

[05:57:02] I was thinking the same. Yeah. Okay. Thank you. And didn't hear the speakers from earlier today in the Mason District about their concerns with parking. This is, you know, we deal with this every day. And so, yes, I think that's fair to say. Other questions of staff.

[05:57:21] Okay. This is a public hearing, and I have no one signed up in advance to testify on this specific matter. Is anyone present who would like to speak on this subject? Anyone present who would like to speak on this specific matter? Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers.

[05:57:37] We do have one caller, Becca Dietert, the Virginia Housing Advocacy Specialist for the Coalition for Smarter Growth. Excellent. Can you hear me okay? Yes, can you hear me? We can. Welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you, and good afternoon, members of the board. My name is Becca Dietert, and I'm speaking on behalf of the Coalition for Smarter Growth in support of the proposed zoning ordinance amendment to update our county codes in compliance with House Bill 888.

[05:58:02] I want to thank staff for bringing the Sony Amendment forward and for including major regional transit facilities like the Stringfellow Road Park and Ride, the Monument Drive Commuter Garage and Transit Center, the Reston Town Center Transit Station, and the Springfield Community Business Center as qualifying structures under the bill.

[05:58:20] We understand that parking is an especially controversial subject and poses quite a few different concerns for residents. However, as Supervisor Alcorn just mentioned, this bill does not preclude developers from including additional parking spots within their projects.

[05:58:39] And so, as we talk about this, I just want to keep in mind that every parking space adds \$5,000 to \$60,000 in construction costs, which are directly passed down to residents. We are concerned that the county's interpretation of enhanced structures does not go far enough to cover other fixed route transit stops that would benefit from reductions in residential parking mandates.

[05:59:03] Disappointing that the county's interpretation of the amendments made to the bill will avoid establishing an administrative pathway for eligible developments to seek a 25% reduction in parking requirements within proximity to standard bus stations. This administrative relief mechanism would have supported the development of affordable housing along bus corridors, offered flexibility on constrained sites, and encouraged the use of shared parking agreements.

[05:59:28] Treating standard bus stops as automatically exempt without adopting this pathway leaves the subsection D, written specifically for Fairfax County, superfluous. We hope the Board will pass today's amendment while considering additional amendments to expand the definition of enhanced structures, to increase the administrative adjustment of minimum parking requirements outside of designated areas beyond 20 percent, and to take advantage of other permissive authorities granted under the bill.

[05:59:53] Thank you for your time and consideration. Thank you for your testimony, and let me check if we have any additional callers. There are no other callers. No additional callers. Closing comments and recommendation from staff. On October 7, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed amendment with staff-recommended options noted in the August 25th staff report, as well as minor grammatical corrections.

[06:00:17] Staff concurred with the Planning Commission's recommendation. Thank you for that. Last check, 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. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors adopt the proposed zoning ordinance amendment for 2026 Code of Virginia updates.

[06:00:36] as set forth in the staff report dated August 25, 2026, with the staff-recommended options and the following editorial revisions. One, in subsection 4102.4, point V, paren 5, paren A, paren 6, at the end of the sentence, add the so that the sentence reads from the top of the bank of perennial streams.

[06:01:02] Number two, in subsection 4102.4.y8d, at the end of the sentence replace a with an so that the sentence reads due to an event held within the county. Number three, in subsection 8104.2.f2b, at the end of the sentence, replace Virginia Code section 15.2-2307h with Virginia Code section 15.2-2307i.

[06:01:38] And finally, that the amendment become effective at 12.01 a.m. October 28, 2026. You've heard the motion. The chair will second that. Discussion on the motion. Any additional discussion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye.

[06:01:53] Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Supervisor Smith. I just want to thank staff for all their work on this. Thank you. Thank you. Next, we have a public hearing to sell easement rights and Board of Supervisors' own property at Wolf Trap Fire Station at 1315 Beulah Road to Castleton, L.C. in the Drainsville District.

[06:02:16] And as soon as they are ready, we would welcome a staff presentation. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My name is Mike Lambert. I am the Assistant Director of Real Estate Services for Facilities Management. This item is related to rezoning RZ 2025 DR 00021 that the board approved earlier this afternoon.

[06:02:36] The Board of Supervisors is the owner of the Wolf Trap Fire Station, located at 1315 Buell Road on an 11.5-acre parcel identified as tax map number 19-3, Sub-Division 1, Parcel 20. The property abuts Leesburg Pike to the north, Beola Road to the west, a country place neighborhood to the south, and the Wolf Trap Nursery to the east.

[06:02:58] The parcel is improved with a 14,000-square-foot station building with four drive-through bays and also contains about nine acres of open space. Castleton, L.C., doing business as Sika's Homes, purchased a Wolf Trap Nursery next door with plans to develop the site into a residential community called Castleton Hills with 13 single-family homes.

[06:03:17] One of the issues that arose during the review of the rezoning was the location of the sanitary sewer and water lines that would serve the new subdivision. After consultation among the fire department, the Department of Planning and Development, and a country-placed neighborhood, it was determined that the route that would have the least impact on the fire station and the surrounding communities would go through the center of the station property and primarily in an east-west alignment.

[06:03:40] These utility lines will be installed at a sufficient depth to permit placement of roads on top of them should the county decide to pursue a future development of its parcels. To install this utility infrastructure, Castleton is asking the county to convey a sanitary sewer easement of approximately 9,200 square feet, a waterline easement of 4,700 square feet, and a temporary construction easement of 35,000 square feet.

[06:04:02] Site work within these easements will last two months and will not interfere with fire station operations. Nine trees will have to be removed during construction. However, as part of the rezoning for the new subdivision, Castleton agreed to proffer \$10,000 to the county that can be used for replanting efforts at the station property.

[06:04:19] Councilman has offered the county \$60,645 as compensation for the conveyance of the easements. This concludes the staff report. Thank you very much. Are there any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing.

[06:04:34] I have no speakers who have signed up in advance to testify on this specific 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 none, let me ask if we have any callers. have no callers no callers closing comment and recommendation from staff staff recommends that the board authorized staff to execute all necessary documents to convey the easement rights at the agreed-upon consideration to Castleton LC thank you for that last check questions from board members seeing and hearing none I will now close the public hearing and recognize supervisor Beerman for a motion thank you mr. chairman I move that

[06:05:12] the board authorized county staff to prepare and execute all documentation necessary to convey easement rights at board-owned property located at 1315 Beulah Road and identified by tax map number 0193010020 for the agreed-upon consideration to Castleton LC. The chair will second that motion

along with I heard Supervisor Smith discussion on the motion seeing and hearing none all those in favor please say aye aye any opposed any abstentions that motion

[06:05:47] carries thank you we next have a public hearing for the enlargement of a sanitary district to include 1945 Valley Wood Road for refuse recycling collection service in the Drainsville district and as soon as they are ready

[06:06:04] we would welcome a staff presentation good afternoon mr. chairman and members of the board my name is Laney cook and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services.

[06:06:36] The Solid Waste Management Program received a petition request on May 12, 2026 from a Drainsville district property owner regarding the enlargement of a sanitary district to include 1945 Valleywood Road for refuse and recycling collection service.

[06:06:53] The petitionary includes one property, and they're in favor. Thank you for that presentation. Are there any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing. I have no speakers signed up in advance to testify on this matter. Is there anyone present who would like to speak on this specific subject?

[06:07:10] This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, let me verify we have no callers. No callers. No callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff. Staff recommends approval for this petition.

[06:07:27] Thank you very much. Last check, any questions from the board? Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Beerman again for a motion. Well, when we're one for one, I would hope that you would recommend approval. Thank you.

[06:07:44] I move to adopt the county executive's recommendation that the board approve the proposed petition to change the sanitary district in the Drainsville district at 1945 Valleywood Road. It's been moved and seconded by Supervisor Palchuk. Discussion on the motion?

[06:08:00] Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. And stay still on the edge of your seat, because next we have a public hearing for the enlargement of a sanitary district to include 1941 Valleywood Road for Refuse Recycling Collection Service in the Dranesville District.

[06:08:21] And again, I would recognize county staff for a presentation. Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Lene Cook, and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The Solid Waste Management Program received a petition request on June 15, 2026 from a Drainsville District property owner regarding the enlargement of a sanitary district to include 1941 Valleywood Road for refuse and recycling collection service.

[06:08:49] This petition area includes one property, and they're in favor. I see a pattern here. Any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing. Let me ask if anyone is present, would like to testify on this specific matter.

[06:09:06] This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, let me verify we have no callers. No callers. And I will ask again, closing comments and a recommendation from staff. Staff recommends approval for this petition.

[06:09:22] Thank you for that. Last check, no questions from board members. I'll close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Beerman for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. With respect to 1941 Valleywood Road, I move to adopt the county executive's recommendation that the board approve the proposed petition to change the sanitary district in the Drainsell District.

[06:09:42] I've heard the motion. It's been multiply seconded. Discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. And that brings us to our next public hearing, which is for the contraction of a sanitary district to remove 612 North Oak Street from the Refuse Recycling Collection Service in the Drainsville District, and at this time I would recognize staff for a presentation.

[06:10:12] Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Landy Cook, and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The Solid Waste Management Program received a petition request on May 15, 2026 from a Drainsville District property owner regarding the contraction of a sanitary district to remove 612 North Oak Street from refuse and recycling collection service. The petition area includes one property and they're in favor. This home is currently not serviced by us because the parcel is split between two jurisdictions. Thank you. Any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none,

[06:10:48] this is a public hearing. Again, I have no speaker signed up in advance to testify in this matter. there anyone here present who would like to speak on this specific subject sir if you could come on down to the podium introduce yourself when you are done when you are done speaking if you could please see the clerk over here on my far right your far left and sign in welcome thank you members of the board I didn't sign up to do to speak I just am in support of the proposal and just here with information if anybody needed any more information but Muskoka has been

[06:11:25] very helpful in getting this ready for me okay excellent and so are you the product you're the property owner I gather yes I am perfect no need to sign in then we will record you speaking appreciate your testimony okay thank you thank you let me ask if there's anyone else present who would like to speak seeing and hearing no one else let me verify we have no callers any closing comments and a recommendation from staff staff recommends approval for this petition thank you questions from board members seeing and hearing none I'll close the public hearing and recognize supervisor Beerman for a motion thank

[06:12:01] you mr. chairman with respect to 612 North Oak Street I move to adopt the county executives recommendation that the board approved the proposed petition to change the sanitary district in the drains build district you've heard the motion it's been multiply seconded discussion on the motion seeing and hearing on all those in favor please say aye aye any opposed any abstentions that motion carries thank you next we have a public hearing for the enlargement of a sanitary district to include Ivy Hill Drive area for refuse recycling collection services again in the drainsville district and at this time we would welcome a staff presentation good afternoon mr. chairman and members of

[06:12:40] the board my name's Leanie cook and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services the solid waste management program received a petition request on June 27, 2026 from a Drainsville District property owner regarding the enlargement of a sanitary district to include Ivy Hill Drive area for refuse and recycling collection service.

[06:13:01] The petition area includes seven properties with five being in favor and two were unresponsive. Thank you for that. Any questions of staff? Seeing and hearing none, this is a public hearing. Is anyone present who would like to testify on this specific matter? This is a public hearing.

[06:13:19] 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 approval for this petition. Last check, questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, I will now recognize Supervisor Behrman for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

[06:13:40] With respect to the Ivy Hill Drive area, I move to adopt the county executive's recommendation that the board approve the proposed petition to change the sanitary district in the Drainesville District. Second. You've heard the motion. It's been multiply seconded. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries.

[06:14:03] We next have a public hearing for the decreation, recreation of a sanitary district to remove vacuum leaf collection service from Woodland Terrace area in the Drainsville District. And at this time, I would recognize staff for a presentation. Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Lani Cook and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The Solid Waste Management Program received a petition request on February 18th, 2026 from a Jainrsville District property owner regarding the decreation, recreation of a sanitary district to continue providing refuse and

[06:14:40] recycling but remove the vacuum leaf collection service from Woodland Terrace area. The petition includes nine properties with six in favor, one opposed, and two are unresponsive. Thank you very much for that. 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. Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this specific subject? Anyone who would like to testify? This is a public hearing. Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers. No callers. No callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff staff recommends approval for this petition

[06:15:20] thank you questions from board members seeing and hearing none I will close the public hearing and recognize supervisor Beerman for a motion thank you miss cook this is my last one today with respect to the Woodland Terrace area I move to adopt the county executive's recommendation that the board approve the proposed petition to change the sanitary district in the drains ill district you've heard the motion it's been multiply seconded any discussion on the motion seeing and hearing none all those in favor please say aye aye any

[06:15:55] opposed any abstentions that motion carries thank you our next public hearing is a public hearing for the contraction of a sanitary district to remove 66 14 Edsel Road sanitary district from refuse recycling collection service in the Mason district and could we please get a staff recommend staff presentation. Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Lainey Cook and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The Solid Waste Management Program received a petition request on January 20th, 2026 from a Mason District property owner

[06:16:32] regarding the contraction of a sanitary district to remove 6614 Edsel Road from refuse and recycling collection service. The petitionary includes one property and they're in favor. Thank you. Are there any questions of staff? Okay, seeing none. Oh, Supervisor Jimenez. Thank you. I just have one quick question. Where does the resident stand on this? It's only one, right? Yes, it's just one.

[06:17:03] They would like to get out of the sanitary district. Okay, so just to be clear, I want you all to know what they just said, what Ms. Cook just said. They want out. So when I, in a few minutes, put this motion in front, it's going to be a little confusing, but what I wanted the board to hear is that the resident wants this motion that I'm about to do.

[06:17:23] So just keep that in mind. Thank you, Supervisor Jimenez. This is a public hearing. I don't have any speakers signed up. Is there anyone here that would like to speak to this matter? OK, seeing and hearing no one, I'm going to ask the clerk if there's any speakers that have called in.

[06:17:40] There are no callers. OK, there's no callers. Closing comments and a recommendation from staff? Staff opposes this position. Okay. Any other questions from board members? Okay. I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Jimenez for a motion. Thank you, Madam Chair. I move to reject the county's executive recommendation to deny the proposed petition and approve the petition to contract 6614 Edsel Road for removal of refuse recycling collection service in Mason District.

[06:18:16] Second. That's seconded by Supervisor Herity, Palchuk, and Lusk. Any discussion on the motion? Seeing and hearing none, all those in favor, please say aye. Aye. Anyone opposed? Any abstentions? That motion carries. Mr. Chairman, back to you. Thank you, Supervisor Smith.

[06:18:31] Public comment is a public hearing on the decreation, recreation of a sanitary district to remove vacuum leaf collection service from Walnut Hill community in the Mason District, and again would recognize staff for a staff presentation.

[06:18:49] Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the board. My name is Lainey Cook, and I'm with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The Solid Waste Management Program received a petition request on February 18, 2026 from a Mason District property owner regarding the decreation-recreation of a sanitary district to continue providing refuse and recycling but remove vacuum leaf collections from the Walnut Hill community.

[06:19:12] The petition area includes 58 properties with 46 in favor, 0 opposed, and 12 were unresponsive. Thank you very much. Are there 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.

[06:19:31] Is there anyone here present who would like to speak on this matter? This is a public hearing. Anyone who would like to testify? Seeing and hearing no one, let me ask if we have any callers. We do have one caller, Susan Hussar, president of Walnut Hill HOA. Okay. Ms. Hussar, can you hear me okay?

[06:19:47] Yes, I can. Thank you. Welcome. The floor is yours. Thank you very much. I just want to give a little background on this because I think it's important for the supervisors to understand that we've been frustrated with this leaf vacuum thing for probably the last 15 years.

[06:20:05] The early days of Walnut Hill, the trees in our community were immature and did not have leaves per se. You could pick them up with a vacuum cleaner and that was that. But now we have very mature trees, and despite seeing the signs out in front of our community saying the pickup dates will be on these dates, never has the county ventured into our community to do this vacuuming project.

[06:20:33] We've made telephone calls, again, requesting help, and there's just been no leaf pickup. So it's very frustrating and pretty maddening when you get your tax bill, and we asked for this petition back in February.

[06:20:48] We got our tax bills effective July 1st, and everybody's paying about \$190 for this service that just never happens. So we're hopeful that you will approve our exemption. We have an alternative way to have our leaves picked up, and that is through a company that charges substantially less overall to handle that.

[06:21:14] And we would like to be taken out of the position of paying for something for services that we never receive. Thank you very much for your testimony. And let me ask at this time for closing comments and a recommendation from staff.

[06:21:34] Staff recommends approval for this petition. Questions from board members. Seeing and hearing none, I will now close the public hearing and recognize Supervisor Jimenez for a motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move for approval of the county executive's recommendation for the decreation-recreation of an existing sanitary district for the purpose of removing vacuum leaf collection service from Walnut Hill community.

[06:22:00] You've heard the motion. It's been multiply seconded. Discussion on the motion. Seeing and hearing none. All those in favor of the motion, please say aye. Aye. Any opposed? Any abstentions? And that motion carries. Thank you. All right. Now we're going to move into public comment and a few reminders about the rules for public comment that will be enforced.

[06:22:28] I want to remind everyone that the board will hear public comment on any issue except issues under litigation, issues that have been scheduled for a public hearing already before the board, and personnel matters and or comments regarding specific individuals.

[06:22:45] 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 with that, I am going to call our speakers in the order that I have them on the speakers list.

[06:23:06] And our first speaker is Marcella Levine. Do we have her on the line? Ms. Levine, can you hear me? Yes. Welcome. The floor is yours. Okay, thanks. My name is Marcella Levine, and I represent ACLU People Power Fairfax.

[06:23:22] While there are other serious privacy concerns with the county's flock and axon cameras, I want to focus on the immigration concerns. The trust policy bars the county from cooperating with federal civil immigration enforcement.

[06:23:39] We've heard from Major Bull that FCPD has designed its license plate reader program so that, with one narrow exception, FCPD doesn't get immigration-related alerts. FCPD officers logging into the LPR system are reminded that they can't use the system for immigration enforcement.

[06:23:59] FCPD officers must identify the specific case numbers and Virginia criminal offense codes supporting their LPR queries. All LPR searches are logged, tracked, and audited monthly. And based on the monthly audits, no FCPD officer has used the LPR system for immigration enforcement purposes.

[06:24:20] Here's the problem. Despite his audit results, Major Bolt can't be sure that FCPD officers with a legitimate reason to run LPR queries aren't turning around and sharing LPR data informally with federal immigration enforcement officials.

[06:24:38] General Order 604 doesn't prevent this. FCPD officers are no longer required to obtain pre-approval for information sharing with ICE and aren't even required to document their ICE contacts. Also, some Virginia law enforcement agencies with access to FCPD's LPR system have active 287G agreements with ICE.

[06:25:05] Major Bull was asked at an October 20 meeting if he could ensure that those 287 G agencies couldn't share LPR data informally with ICE. He admitted he couldn't. The trust policy embodies the county's promise to protect its immigrant residents.

[06:25:23] Even indirectly allowing ICE access to LPR data violates that promise. Traffic stops are a prime immigration enforcement tool. Most known ICE shootings in Trump's second term began with vehicle stops, and there's often caused a doubtful legality of those shootings.

[06:25:41] Even without shootings or other injuries, ICE arrests are terrible for immigrants. Fairfax County is already the safest jurisdiction of its size in the country. Do we need to put our immigrant community at greater risk to prevent a few more crimes? Wouldn't FCPD have solved all or most of these crimes anyway?

[06:26:01] I urge the Board of Supervisors to drop its flock and axon contracts. LPR cameras are not worth the privacy risks, especially to immigrants. Thanks. Thank you for calling in. And our next speakers are all in person.

[06:26:17] I'm going to call them in the order I have them. If you hear your name, please come down here close so you're ready to testify. Speaker number two is David Michelson to be followed by Talis Robinson, before Frimpong, and Sandra Adele Hickman. If I call your name, please be ready to testify.

[06:26:35] We are on speaker number two. Supervisors, Brian Hill, you know who I am? Thank you for pulling the do you know who I am card before I walk up here and bring your mother into it.

[06:26:53] Shame on you. Shame on how you treat the police. You know what this is? This is your draft. Jeff McKay, look at me. You won't look at me? I don't need to look at you. Please provide your testimony. Why don't you look at what you read?

[06:27:08] The police department has faced difficulties in the placement of crossing guards and any decisions to add or remove protected crossing guards must continue to be based on clearly defined metrics that prioritize the safety of students. I need to read this to you. You said it out loud. After a crossing guard was removed and a Southlake student was hit.

[06:27:27] You know what this is? This is your markup. This is General Order 611 that establishes the crossing guard rules to remove and place them. You disregarded them.

[06:27:47] In May of 2025, you put these safeguards in place. So in May of 2026, you would have to rely on that data in order to remove these crossing guards. You ignored your own data. You know what this is? This is a question. Has this been done for high school crossing guards that are proposed to be eliminated?

[06:28:05] The answer is no. You did not. You did not follow your own rules. What's going to keep you from doing it again? What's going to keep you from eliminating the crossing guards and have another high school kid get hit again?

[06:28:25] You won't follow your own rules. You're unfit for that chair. You have no morals. You lied to the public. When you said that safety is the utmost importance and you relied on data-driven, you did not. And

you bullied every one of these supervisors except for Supervisor Herity and Supervisor Alcorn into doing it for you.

[06:28:47] At least Supervisor Lusk had the morality to say that they made a mistake. Here, in my respect, you have none. And you have none from the public. Don't dare run for re-election. Don't dare. What are you laughing at? What are you laughing at?

[06:29:03] Finish your testimony, sir. This is your time. This is my time. But your time is done. Your time is done. And the way you treat the public is done. And the way you lie to the public is done. And you have no remorse for what happened.

[06:29:20] None. I can tell by the way you look at me. I can tell by the way you laugh at me. And I can tell by the way you lied to the public when you said you cared about these students after they got hit. And after you lied and said that you relied on the data when you removed them. You lied the entire time.

[06:29:37] You lied the entire time. You are violating the rules of public comment speaking about individuals. Please finish your testimony, and please respect the rules of this. Your public statements say that you care about that, and you didn't. Well, thank you for— You let a kid get hurt. You let a kid get hurt.

[06:29:53] Thank you for your testimony. You let them in, and there wasn't any people— Your time is up, Mr. Michelson. Your time is up. I will re— If you do that again, we will recess the meeting.

[06:30:09] Thank you for your display. We will now return to the civilized meeting that we have called here today, and we will go with speaker number three, Talis Robinson. Talis here, welcome, to be followed by Before, Frim Pong, and Sandra Adele Hickman. Welcome.

[06:30:25] Good evening, Chairman, members of the board. My name is Talis Robinson. I'm a Fairfax County resident, a case manager, a George Mason University social work student, and most importantly, a mother. For eight years, my daughter and I waited for housing stability.

[06:30:42] We tried to build a better future for our children, and sometimes we don't know when that stability will come. Today, we finally have a place to call home, thanks in part to Fairfax County's investment in Fairfax Crest, where I now reside. I am grateful for that opportunity, but getting a home should not feel like winning a lottery, and families should not have to wait years for a chance to live with dignity and security.

[06:31:07] One successful development cannot be the finish line. As a case manager, I see people who work, support their families, but still cannot afford rent. Fairfax County's 2026 housing assessment estimates a shortage of over 13,000 affordable rental homes.

[06:31:25] In 2026, the county counted over 1,365 people experiencing homelessness on one single night, which is an increase from the 2025 numbers. Richmond Highway. We are reminded that homelessness affects real people in our community who deserve dignity, safe shelter, and a path to stable housing. I recognize that homelessness is a complex issue with no single solution, but its complexity cannot become a reason for an action, and we must invest in solutions that address these challenges and give people a real opportunity to rebuild

[06:32:04] their lives. I'm asking this board to take three actions. First, accelerate affordable housing development so that more residents can access homes that they can actually afford. Second, expand rental assistance and vouchers to help families stay housed before they even reach point of crisis. And last,

increase emergency shelter capacity, re-evaluating shelter eligibility, and placement policies so that people can access safety when they need it. I understand that these changes require funding and planning, but every day that we delay, families face impossible financial choices, people remain without safe housing.

[06:32:44] I urge this board to set concrete deadlines, identify the resources needed, and report publicly on progress. Again, after eight years of waiting, I finally get to experience what it feels like to have stability for both myself and my daughter, who is here with me today.

[06:33:00] I get to focus on her future instead of wondering when or even if our circumstance will change. And no parent should have to wait for that long. I'm asking you to remember the families who are still waiting when you make decisions about housing, funding, and shelter.

[06:33:15] They're not just numbers on a report. They're parents, children, neighbors whose futures are shaped by the decisions made in this room. Thank you. Thank you, Talis. Thank you.

[06:33:33] Thank you, Talis, for your testimony. Thank you for being the first resident of Fairfax Crest to testify here. We look forward to more of that. And for those watching at home, we cut the ribbon on this affordable housing development right here on the grounds of the Government Center on Tuesday, and it was magnificent.

[06:33:53] So thank you very much. Speaker number four is before Frimpong. Am I pronouncing that right? Before Frimpong. Are you here? I don't see anyone. How about Sondra Adele Hickman? Sondra Adele Hickman, are you here?

[06:34:13] Okay. How about Aaron Kors? Aaron, welcome. Come on down, and Aaron will be followed by Nuzara Azam and Courtney Massey. Welcome. There is nothing like a good friend. I think we can all relate to that special feeling of knowing that there is someone else in the world we can fully trust, to ask for counsel and advice, to simply be yourself around.

[06:34:37] A friend is an invaluable treasure. This is what I learned from Fairfax County's Fairfax County Family Services Befriend a Child program. For two years, I mentored a child in the county, taking them to the park, getting to know their family, and providing social support when needed.

[06:34:53] I watched as my mentee grew from an energetic five to a still energetic but more mature seven. They responded well to physical activities and playing with other children, as well as park joggers' dogs. In addition to our outings, we've participated in the program's group and family engagements.

[06:35:11] I found the department staff to be passionate, supportive, and a true hug. In doing Befriend a Child, I realized out. All you need is friends, including me. When you give, you receive. I hope everyone will consider volunteering or supporting this wonderful program in some way. Thank you. Thank you very much, Aaron.

[06:35:32] Thank you. And speaker number seven is Nazara Azam. Nazara Azam, are you here? Okay. And Courtney Massey, is Courtney Massey here? You will be following her. And then speaker number nine is Christian Martinez-Limas.

[06:35:55] Good evening, Supervisors. My name is Nazair Azam, and I am a journalist and also working with the Women's Council, with the State Council under governor.

[06:36:16] My question is about the nonprofits. I'm speaking on behalf of some of the nonprofits. I'm asking about what is the way to get funding for them, and especially those women through education, you know, those nonprofits who are working for women through education and teaching them and giving and teaching them. The question

[06:36:50] is, what share of the county goes to nonprofit? And how to measure that share? Is there any grants for such non-profits and where can I get all this information? Thank you. Thank you, Mrs. Zahman. My office will follow up with you. There are a lot of ways to get non-profit funding, including our consolidated community funding pool and some direct budgetary expenditures. And so

[06:37:26] my office will follow up with you on more information about that and appreciate your testimony. Thank you. Thank you. Our next speaker is Courtney Massey, to be followed by Christian Martinez-Limas. Welcome. Good evening. I'm a resident of the Providence District. Sorry, I signed up for five minutes under an organization. This is three minutes? Three minutes is for everyone for public comment. Oh, okay. Well, then I will go fast. I'm a resident of the Providence District, a racial justice organizer and an educator, and I'm here to demand that Fairfax

[06:38:03] County immediately cancel its contract with Flock and ban all automated license plate readers in the county. In our volunteer work with Showing Up for Racial Justice, or Surge, Northern Virginia, my colleagues and I host political education events to illuminate truths we aren't taught in school about the depth of systemic racism in the U.S., and in my day job, I'm a college writing instructor, which means I spend a lot of time teaching students how to analyze and make arguments.

[06:38:26] To be clear, I'm here with Surge and not my employer. For several reasons, I typically don't bring my profession into public forums like this one, but after watching the FCPD presentation at last week's public safety and security meeting, I have no other choice. FCPD's presentation was a cornucopia of fallacious arguments and misleading evidence. If one of my students submitted it as an assignment, I would give it a failing grade. Let's break down just a few of the many reasons why. Flaw number one, manipulated statistics. When someone makes an argument with numbers, they have a choice as to how to present those numbers. It's telling that FCPD presented their stats about ALPR impact at Tyson's in the form of percentages. Notably, FCPD highlighted a 50%

[06:39:04] drop in motor vehicle theft at Tyson's from 2024 to 2026. 50% sounds like a sizable drop, right? Except a fellow volunteer drew up, drug up the raw data. The real drop, two thefts to one theft. FCPD had weeks to prepare this presentation, and if that's the best evidence they can offer, then it sounds like these things aren't really that effective. As the rest of Virginia has gotten better at solving larceny cases, FCPD has stayed the same. As the rest of Virginia has held the line on solving shoplifting and motor vehicle theft, FCPD has gotten worse. We also have that raw data. Flaw number two, obfuscation of truth. Chief Davis asserted at the beginning of last

[06:39:42] week's hearing that FCPD would stick to just the facts, but in several instances, FCPD obscured the facts through misleading word choice and phrasing. FCPD claims it owns all ALPR data and controls who can access that data, but as long as that data is collected and stored, it's vulnerable. They admitted when questioned they can't control what private owners do with ALPR data, including providing it to ICE, but it's also fair to state that when FCPD shares its ALPR data with over 160 other agencies and stores it on hackable AWS servers, the department itself cannot control who accesses the data.

[06:40:15] FCPD also chose to highlight that Flock has never had a contract with ICE, but it's well established at this point that whether Flock has such a contract is immaterial. The 2021 DHS-IS-ALPR agreement had ICE go through a third party to allow vendors to say, we don't have a contract with ICE. To quote Stephen Keener of the Center for Crime, Equity, and Justice Research and Policy at Christopher Newport University, as long as these things exist, the federal government can access the data.

[06:40:39] Flaw number three, unacknowledged, unexamined bias. As I tell my students, everyone has bias. We all have beliefs, values, and investments that inform our positions. But when bias is not acknowledged or interrogated, it can cause serious harm. One way to interrogate it, follow the money. A lot of the presentation focused on response to burglaries in McLean and Tysons, largely rich and white neighborhoods.

[06:41:00] To base this argument on an unrepresentative sample shows that police care far more about wealthy people's property than they do about black and brown people's lives. In reality, ALPRs continue to operate with astonishingly high error rates and subject vulnerable community members like immigrants to surveillance.

[06:41:18] Do not let the wealthiest, whitest members of our community determine what counts as safety. At the end of their presentation, FCPD offered three options. Keep Flock, keep the program, but test other vendors or move to a closed network system. They left out a fourth option.

[06:41:34] End the program altogether. It's clear that at this point the harms of ALPRs far outweigh the benefits. You've heard from countless constituents. There's no need to entertain an irreparably flawed argument from the police. Choose your constituents. Choose safety over surveillance. Choose option four, cancel the flock contract, and ban all ALPOs now.

[06:41:51] Thank you. And speaker number nine is Christian Martinez-Lemus. Welcome. Mr. Chair and members of the Board of Supervisors, good evening.

[06:42:09] My name is Christian Martinez-Lemus, and I am speaking tonight on behalf of We Are Casa. We Are Casa represents immigrant workers and families who contribute every day to the strength, economy, and culture of Fairfax County. I am here to urge you to protect our community by canceling Fairfax County's contract with FLOC safety, automated license plate readers, and to reject any attempt to simply replace FLOC with another surveillance vendor.

[06:42:30] Residents were told automated license plate readers would prevent crime, but independent research, including studies from the Electronic Frontier Foundation, proves otherwise. Mass surveillance does not reduce violent crime or deter Syrians' offenses. The Washington Post shared recently that there were at least 50 officers who were accused, charged, or convicted of using FLOC safety and other license plate readers to spy on unsuspecting, in many cases, stalking their girlfriends or firmware partners.

[06:42:57] I ask you all, is that a good use for having flaw cameras? That is not the safety and crime-solving residents were promised, and shows that this cannot be in our communities. For Fairfax immigrant communities, privatized location tracking poses an existential threat.

[06:43:13] These camera networks log millions of license plate every week, tracking our families to work, places of worship, health clinics, and schools. Whether operated by Flock or any other contractor, these commercial databases create a backdoor for federal immigration enforcement and out-of-state agencies to trace the movements of undocumented residents and mixed-status families.

[06:43:34] Worse yet, automated surveillance systematically reinforces racial profiling. Mass surveillance isn't a safety tool. It's automated profiling that puts drivers of color in harm's way. Surveillance infrastructure is overwhelmingly placed in black, brown, and immigrant neighborhoods.

[06:43:52] Fairfax County is a majority-minority county. That is not a good message to send to all of Virginia. When these automated systems misread a plate, it triggers aggressive traffic stops where immigrant drivers who are already facing language barriers and fear of deportation are placed in high-risk encounters with law enforcement.

[06:44:10] Surveillance is bad, period. Fairfax County taxpayer dollars belong in community care, not a privatized dragnet. The board must resist the temptation to search for a better vendor. The solution isn't a new contract with better marketing. The solution is ending automated mass tracking together.

[06:44:27] True public safety comes from investing in housing, health care, language access, and strong community support. Systems not surrounding our neighborhoods with checkpoints. Jurisdictions across the nation are ending these programs because they recognize the severe civil rights risk.

[06:44:43] Fairfax County must stand up for the immigrant residents and reject mass surveillance in any form. Localities across Virginia are taking action to end these contracts. More than 20, yet Fairfax County, who usually leads the fights in other topics, remains silent here.

[06:44:58] You can still join the growing list of localities who are tired of mass surveillance. Please do not renew FLOC and do not replace it. say no to master surveillance. Thank you. Thank you, Christian. And let me ask you, speaker number 10 is here, Daniel Schmidt. I have him crossed off, and let me go back and verify that speaker number four, Bafar Frimpong is not here, and speaker number five, Sandra Adele Hickman is not here, and Daniel Schmidt is not here.

[06:45:34] Okay, that completes our public comment session for our board meeting today, and if there's no further information to come before the board. Our board meeting of October 27, 2026 is adjourned.



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