

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

• President Nick Firth called meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS & OFFICERS REPORTS

• Approval of Meeting Minutes

 July 2022 minutes are not yet available. Will approve at future meeting.

• Treasurer's Report:

 Treasurer Keith Shovlin will provide an update next month

• South Fairfax Chamber Report – Casey Whitmarsh

- Small Business Spotlight: Emma Jordan Kidz Fighting Cancer Foundation
 - Private nonprofit that raises public awareness of the continued fight against pediatric cancer – the leading cause of death by disease of American children.
 - Learn more about donations or other ways you can help by emailing jointhefight@kidzfightingcancer.org

O UPCOMING EVENTS:



- September 17| Workhouse Arts Center Annual Gala
 - 6-9 pm at Tysons Corner Marriot
 - https://www.workhousearts.org/annual-gala?srh=Workhouse+Arts+Center+Annual+Gala+featuring+Bruce+Hornsby
- September 23 | Cocktails by Candlelight
 - 6 9 pm at George Mason's Gunston Hall
- September 30 | STIR Networking
 - 3-7 pm at Trademasters
 - https://mms.southfairfaxchamber.org/memb ers/evr/reg_event.php?evid=68907037&orgc ode=SFCC

III. SUPERVISOR REPORTS

- Springfield District Supervisor Pat Herrity
 - Not present or represented.
- Mount Vernon District Supervisor Dan Storck
 - o Board Meeting Highlights
 - Approved County Requirements to support new Solar Farm at I-95 landfill.
 - Transportation & Sidewalk issues are back on the front burner
 - Tour de Mt. Vernon October 22 at Workhouse Arts Center



https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/tour-de-mount-vernon-2022

- New Supervisor Team Member Cassidy Donaghy
 - Communications Support, Event Outreach
 - Lives in Mason Neck
 - cassidy.donaghy@fairfaxcounty.gov
- South County Police & Animal Shelter Naming
 - "Lorton District Police Station" & "Fairfax County Animal Shelter – Lorton Campus" are recommended
 - Will be looking for feedback from SCF prior to approving
- Overlook Ridge Park Delays
 - Expect early 2025 opening. Continues to be challenges, but schedule will be updated as needed on County website.
- o Gunston Elementary Traffic
 - Ensuring school will support mitigation of roadway backup issues
- o Silverbrook/Lorton Rd. Turn Lanes
 - Study complete & modifications to improve right run/left turns are being considered
 - VDOT will implement interim solutions by adding a right turn arrow on the signal
- \$125,000 of AAACO funds (generated from violation)
 will be used for gardens at the Laurel Hill Nike Site
- o Alpine X
 - Traffic Study still under review. Alpine's consultants need to provide more information to continue. Activity has been slow.
- QUESTION: Can you provide more information on the Solar Farm?



- Suntribe Solar will install 5 MW solar facility that guarantees a fixed rate of \$0.11 per kWH with no escalation (doesn't cost County any money and will save \$1M in the first 8 years). Operation would begin 2024 or earlier.
- OUESTION: Can you provide an update on the trash situation and what can be done about the issues with trash pickup?
 - There was a board matter initiated on this topic due to issues with service and rate increases. The Board is working with legislators to ensure there is more action allowed/flexibility to mitigate at the local level. A second step would be suing them (which has been done in the past). The County will also be considering that option.

• <u>Mount Vernon District School Board - Karen Corbett</u> Sanders

o Not represented or in attendance.

• Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) – Linwood Gorham

- New Department Head has been selected for Planning
 & Development
- Overlook Ridge Kristin Munz was promoted and Deputy Director Amy Vosper will be taking over the management of this project
- QUESTION: Is there any chance there will be more soccer or baseball fields in South County?



• We had identified the Barret House as a location for future development/installation of fields, but funding wasn't there this year as many of the allocated funds were shifted to the Mt. Vernon Rec Center following inflation increases in construction costs. Will be considered in the next bond cycle.

IV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- <u>U.S. Congressman Gerry Connolly</u> presented by Marlon Dubuisson
 - During August recess, the Congressman voted for the Inflation Reduction Act, now signed into law
 - Federal TSP Account Liaison
 - Contact Marlon for him to connect you
 - Congressman Connolly is running for Chairman of the Government Oversight Committee
 - o Contact:
 - Marlon Dubuisson, District Director
 - FX Office: 703-256-3071
 - PW Office: 571-408-4407
 - Marlon.Dubuisson@mail.house.gov
- State Delegate Kathy Tran presented by Ben Hermerding
 - o Trash
 - Would support a proposal from the County for legislation that would help the County mitigate the trash issues a local level.



- Special Session September 7
 - Passed nominations for several Fairfax County Judges
- Ox Road Speed Study
 - VDOT has delayed the speed study (it was requested one year ago)
 - The District engineer has had study findings since June, so it's unclear why the delay has occurred
 - Delegate Tran is looking to elevate this issue in every way possible
- Page Program Application Open Period for Senate & House Programs
 - https://capclass.virginiageneralassembly.gov/Page Programs/PagePrograms.html
- o Delegate Tran's office:
 - delktran@house.virginia.gov
 - **804-698-1042**

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

• Transportation, Peter Weyland/Dale Rumberger Co-Chairs

- Lorton Auto train Backup Meeting July 20
 - Amtrack agreed to consider solutions to this issue and will meet onsite this month to flush out potential options

• Public Safety, Jonathan Kiell, Chair

Nothing to report



• Land Use, Nick Firth & Keith Shovlin Co-Chairs

- Special Presentation: Liberty Land Bay 6 presented by Jack Perkins, Elm Street and Lori Greenlief, McGuire Woods
 - Liberty Market Leasing Update:
 - Lidl is awaiting installations of electrical & refrigeration components that are delayed because of supply chain challenges.
 Anticipating Opening Spring 2023
 - Elm Street is constructing an in-line retail building (13,800 sq ft, 7 tenant spaces) across from Lidl that is 70% leased. First tenants anticipated opening in Spring 2023
 - ➤ Ledo Pizza
 - ➤ Petite Smiles
 - ➤ Taco Rock
 - > Yafa Grille
 - ➤ Nail Salon
 - ➤ In talks with independent coffee shop and a bubble tea franchise concept
 - Historic Commercial tenants are leasing one of six commercial buildings. Looking to explore opportunities to attract additional commercial users.
 - Proposing a Special Condition amendment in Land Bay 6 (historic commercial, and new



commercial) to the approved Site Development Plan that will allow for an increase in enrollment at an already permitted childcare center

- Childcare Center would occupy two of the remaining six commercial buildings in the Historic Commercial area (roughly 1/3 of the leased space available)
- Existing permitting childcare center is limited to 100 children, but tenant is asking for an increase to 200 children
 - 100 children was ambiguous
 - Market study revealed a huge need for child care in this area of the County
 - There is no real traffic impact for the overall Land Bay area, as other uses have a lower use than expected that washes out the additional traffic proposed with the increase
 - 13 dedicated spaces will be held in the Southern lot
- o QUESTION: 13 spaces for 200 cars is low. How will that work?
 - It's staggered drop off and pick ups, so it's not intended that peak hours will be generate around 75 trips
- o QUESTION: How much space is needed for 200 kids?
 - Rhian Allvin (proposed tenant) intends to go 25% above the licensing standards which are 35 sq ft per child indoor, and 75 sq ft per child outdoor
 - Targeted childcare is birth to age 5



- Ratios for children to teachers will also meet the national and state licensure standards (30-37 staff members)
- RECOMMENDATION: President Firth will kick this topic to the next Land Use Committee meeting on September 27, prior to Resolution by the SCF
- Resolution | Windrush Drive Proposed Religious Assembly
 - Discussion
 - SCF opposes this application with several community members also writing letters opposing the negative impact and planning challenges for this specific parcel, which is in a residential area
 - Cap for events is 300, but there are concerns for what safeguards are in place to ensure this maximum is regulated. If not, it has the ability to cause grave environmental impacts for the area and residential neighbors as the facility is on septic. Other concerns are traffic for the amount of congregation users at large events
 - There are also issues with topography
 - Concerns over proposed screening (or lack thereof) for adjacent landowners
 - Concerns over Windrush being the only means of ingress/egress for existing residential homeowners that will now have to navigate traffic impact



- MOTION TO APPROVE AS WRITTEN: Nick Firth
- SECOND: Keith Shovlin
- Motion Passes Unanimously
- o Resolution | Sunrise Facility
 - Discussion
 - Responses from the community have been mixed – with stark opposition and also support
 - Consideration to add language for resolution as "the South County Federation does not oppose or endorse the application" to remain neutral on the subject
 - MOTION TO APPROVE AS WRITTEN WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT: Nick Firth
 - SECOND: Wendy Henley
 - Motion Passes Unanimously

• Education, Wendy Henley, Chair

- Superintendent Reid thanked bus drivers at various locations this month for all of their hard work
 - Still making rounds to various schools within FCPS
- Tutor.com is a free tutoring opportunity for K-12 students with most subjects available
 - Parents can register children: https://www.tutor.com/
 - Not an FCPS platform/program, but it is supported by FCPS



• Environmental & Parks, Larry Clark & Dale Rumberger Co- Chairs

- o Overlook Ridge
 - Still seeking a resolution to potable water being at the top of the park (which was included in , but is now being left out)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.

NEXT MEETING: October 11 (held virtually)

FUTURE MEETING DATES in 2022: November 8, December 13

Recorded by Angelina Fuller