

News to know for the area from Ox Road to Mason Neck, Fairfax County Parkway to the Occoquan River.













• Data centers were a top issue this year. The County staff released its report and guidelines for future development in January. The Federation passed a resolution in May with recommendations and a checklist. The Board of Supervisors finally approved a zoning amendment in October after several hours of witness testimony.

• Captain Richard Morvillo retired after 34 years of service. Captain Anthony Stancampiano was promoted in a service-wide realignment and served as acting station commander until May.

• The County approved solar panel installation on part of the closed landfill. Sun Tribal Solar was contracted to construct and operate the five megawatt array across 40 acres.

• **Parking was restricted on I95 Southbound exit.** Signs were installed by VDOT in February to make the exit safer, especially in the evening.

• **Overlook Ridge Park took small steps forward.** A revised site plan was filed by Waste Management in May and approved in October. The plan currently awaits submission to and approval from Virginia DEQ.

• Intersection receives federal funding. Congressman Gerry Connolly secured \$850,000 for the intersection of Lorton and Silverbrook roads. The project is now being scoped and additional funding is needed.

• New businesses in the area: Liberty welcomed Kokee Tee, Hangry Joe's Hot Chicken, and Taco Rock, while Wingstop opened next to Panera.

• Major Alan Hanson was named Lorton station commander in May. Hanson took further steps to expand use of the new Lorton Police Station. He retired this Fall, effective Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

• Lorton Police Station Community Rooms available. The Federation held our first in person meeting since the Pandemic there in September. The rooms were than available weekdays before 6 pm.

• **Central Green Restrooms opened.** The restrooms were open in time for Memorial Day with a ribbon cutting on June 1<sup>st</sup>, which also commemorated the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gerry Connolly Cross Country Trail.

• Keith Gordon appointed President and CEO of the Workhouse. Gordon took over on July 1<sup>st</sup>, during a busy summer of events including the summer concert series and community market.

• **Bunnyman Brewery opened at the Workhouse.** Originally opening along with the Workhouse Fireworks show on June 29<sup>th</sup>, it expanded to full hours in September. It now features weekly events including trivia nights and yoga.

• South County Church signs lease for Prison Chapel. The church, which currently meets at South County High School, is now working with the Architectural Review Board to build out the rechristened Liberty Chapel.

• Thru trucks restricted on Lorton Marketplace/Gunston Cove road. VDOT approved the restriction in November to cut down on traffic through the residential areas past the shopping center.

• Historical Marker coming to Laurel Hill. Groundbreaking was held for a display to commemorate William Lindsay, original owner of Laurel Hill

• Fairfax Peak exclusive rights agreement ends. Alpine-X was unable to secure funding prior to the agreement's end on Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

• Adopt a Highway cleanup of Lorton Road. The Federation held two cleanups, one in the Spring and the second in the Fall. Across both days over a dozen bags of garbage were picked up along the roadway.



Join us for our next meeting on Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm on Zoom