



MVCCA COUNCIL MEETING
November 17, 2010 8 p.m.
Walt Whitman School Cafeteria

PRESIDING: Co-chair David Plummer.

ATTENDING: Co-chairs Al Bornmann, David Plummer, Bob Reynolds; Committee Chairs Louise Cleveland, Queenie Cox, Kahan Dhillon, Judy Harbeck, Betsy Martin, Dallas Shawkey, Catherine Voorhees, David Voorhees; Treasurer Brenda Hebert; Secretary Carol Coyle.

Representatives from Collingwood on the Potomac, Collingwood Springs, The Fairfax, Hollin Hall, Hollin Hills, Huntington, Huntington Club, Mason Hill, Mount Vernon Manor, Mount Vernon on the Potomac, Mount Vernon Terrace, New Gum Springs, Newington Forest, River Towers, Riverside Estates, Riverside Gardens, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Stratford on the

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Potomac IV, United Voice at Kings Crossing, Waynewood, Wellington, Wellington Heights, Williamsburg Manor North, Woodlawn Manor, Woodley Hills.

MINUTES – Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Accepted. Brenda also reminded that renewals are due by January 1; a reminder will be sent via list serve.

SUPERVISOR'S TIME

With regard to Radio Frequency Testing for Telecommunication Applications, there is no money budgeted to hire a full-time RF engineer; in all probability it will be contracted out as needed. Gerry would like Council input on redistricting. With 9 Districts in Fairfax County and a population of approximately 1.1 million, each District should be comprised of 117,000 people; Mount Vernon District as boundaries are now drawn has about 125,000. Another possibility would be the creation of a 10th District, which he feels is

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ELECTION RESULTS

**By acclamation, the current executive board
of officers were voted into office
for another one year term**

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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!
Dues are due by January 1, 2011

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<http://www.mvcca.org/join.htm>
and at the end of this Record

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unlikely. Paul Crizak is his appointee to the Redistricting Committee.

Westgrove Pumping Station property is currently being used by some citizens as an off-leash dog park, and Animal Control has seized upon the opportunity to ticket dog owners. The property is not master-planned; some want it left natural with no activity while others would like it used for ball fields. County Park Authority wants to master plan it.

Scoping Route One from Telegraph Road to Woodlawn: meeting with VDH December 2, 6-8 at Mount Vernon High School.

Proposed cell tower at Masonic Lodge on Fort Hunt Road was approved by the Planning Commission, but nearby neighborhoods expressed disapproval, and Supervisor Hyland asked the Board to vote it down. Federal Court upheld BOS. Cingular could have looked elsewhere, but they didn't want to be bothered.

Q: Allow chickens? Gerry would like input.

Q: What about repairs to Fort Hunt Road and Hooes Road, since the Commonwealth seems to have discovered several million in highway funds? Gerry will lobby for these improvements but suggests that we contact our Representative and Senator since they have more clout than he.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Affordable and Workforce Housing – Meets tomorrow. They will be discussing whether they have met the challenge they were set and whether they should continue.

Budget and Finance – See minutes. Next meeting December 6.

Consumer Affairs – See minutes. Next meeting December 7 in the WWMS Principal's Conference Room. Webinars are being discontinued because they got too expensive.

Education – See minutes. Next meeting December 1. Discussion will be on 'priority schools.' Schools are prioritized based on levels of achievement, with the lowest receiving the most involvement from central office staff.

Hollin Meadows PTA is fund-raising for salaries for the extra teachers who had been assigned there when they had 'focus school' status.

Environment and Recreation – See minutes. Next meeting December 1 with someone from Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. Dog Park people are scheduled for January. Committee is divided on what should happen with North Hill but will present a resolution re: storm water control and tree save.

Health and Human Services – See minutes. Next meeting will be in the Board Room at Mount Vernon Hospital, discussing the role of volunteers. This led to a discussion of neighborhood resources, especially in cases of extreme snowfalls. Our discussion was primarily about elderly living alone at these times, but evolved into the suggestion that all communities should become familiar with human resources close to home.

Planning and Zoning – See minutes. Cell tower discussions will continue. One resolution.

Public Safety – Meeting was a trip to PSTOC. Next meeting December 2 with a rep from Crimesolvers, which is supported primarily by businesses.

Interest in CERT training is escalating. Next session in March..

Transportation – See minutes. Next meeting December 6, WWMS Library. One resolution.

Special Committee on Long-Range Strategic Planning – No meetings the last two months because they have been 'listening.' Two listening tour stops scheduled for December with nine more being set up into next year. They are finding that communities 1) appreciate that Council is interested in hearing what is on their minds, and 2) are becoming more aware of Council and what it does and hopes to do.

FCFCA and SFDC – Both meet tomorrow.

CO-CHAIR' REPORT

Reminder that re-ups are due by January 1.

Queenie reports that the Gala will be held April 9 at the Laurel Hill Golf Club.

RESOLUTIONS

P&Z 2010-06: RESOLUTION ON 2232-V08-18 – CELL TOWER AT ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Representative from Woodlawn Manor requested that resolution be amended to read 'supports denial' rather than 'supports deferral.'

Treasurer's Report			
January 1, 2010 through November 30, 2010			
	<u>Receipts/</u> <u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Beginning balance Jan. 1, 2010	\$ 11,219.16		
Receipts			
Dues-Current Members	3,804.00	4,000.00	(196.00)
Dues-New Members	138.00	200.00	(62.00)
Gala Income	2,785.00	4,100.00	(1,315.00)
MM Interest Income	1.51		
Total Receipts	\$ 6,728.51	\$ 8,300.00	\$ (1,573.00)
Disbursements			
Record Production	1,335.00	2,200.00	(865.00)
Administrative Exp	80.73	500.00	(419.27)
Gala Expenses	3,809.71	3,200.00	609.71
Web Site	175.39	600.00	(424.61)
New Member Mkt/Town Hall Mtg	174.17	200.00	(25.83)
Insurance	660.00	700.00	(40.00)
Strategic Planning Meetings	-	-	-
Student of the Year Stipends	951.75	900.00	51.75
Membership Meeting Exp	100.00	-	100.00
Training	45.00	-	45.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 7,331.75	\$ 8,300.00	\$ (968.25)
Ending Balance November 30, 2010	\$ 10,615.92		
Wachovia Checking acct bal	\$ 5,614.41		
Wachovia Money Market bal	5,001.51		*Money Market acct. opened 4/26/10.
Total Money Available	\$ 10,615.92		

Discussion included clarification of deferral v. denial and that deferral was the intent of the committee.
Amendment was defeated 2-17-2.
Resolution approved 20-1-0.

TRAN 2010-03: U.S. 1 PUBLIC FIXED GUIDEWAY TRANSIT STUDY

We need this transit study to establish a center line. No discussion.
Approved 21-0-0.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Slate was presented and approved by acclamation:

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PUBLIC TIME

Jerry Fill, reporter for the Mount Vernon Gazette, explained that he is a 'reporter' and, if there is an error in his reporting, he wants to be corrected. Editorial opinions and letters to the editor are governed by a separate policy.

— Carol Coyle, Secretary

have directly appointed special panels of citizens to support them with budget related analysis and recommendations. Lee, Dranesville, and Hunter Mill were present at the meeting. Braddock District has also provided a point of contact. These groups prepare analysis for their supervisor during budget preparations. Each group representative discussed their organization and charter. MVCCA appeared to be the only district (of those present) that prepares a formal budget resolution.

The plan of the County going forward is to establish a data set from the different groups that can be shared for mutual benefit (a secure on-line repository has been created), conduct informal discussions via email and phone as we move through the budget preparation calendar, and at some point meet again to share analysis and questions with each other and the budget office.

Future dates of budget significance are:

January 6, 2011 Superintendent releases school budget;
February 22, 2011 County executive Releases Advertised Budget.

The next Budget and Finance committee meeting will be held January 5, 2011 at 7:30 at the principal's conference room at Walt Whitman Middle School.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Consumer Affairs met on December 7th at 7:30 p.m. at Walt Whitman Middle School in the Principal's Conference Room.

There were four discussion topics: 1) the development of a survey for member associations in response to a request from the MVCCA Co-Chairs to determine whether or not there's an interest in having monthly consumer tips. A draft will be reviewed and finalized during the January 2011 meeting; 2) a member association forwarded a concern about the Exxon gas station (previously a Texaco) at the corner of Ft. Hunt Road and Belle View Blvd. It had relayed that during car inspections, owners were informed they had inoperable wiper blades despite having good or excellent wiper blades prior to the inspection. If the owner did not purchase wiper blades at a cost of \$31 on the spot, the vehicle failed the inspection and; 3) a member association rep discussed a problem his community has concerning the recent approval of sanitary service for English Hills, a community in the Springfield District by Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES). The committee was unclear on the role of Consumer Affairs and requested additional information. The committee also advised the rep to contact DPWES for clarification about the matter; and 4) telephone conferencing--because the cost of the webinar had increased significantly, the committee decided to pursue another viable alternative to face-to-face meetings particularly since we are now in the range for meetings to be affected by inclement weather. We settled on experimenting with teleconferencing. We will host our first teleconferencing for our January 4, 2011 meeting.

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BUDGET AND FINANCE

Minutes of the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 7:30 pm
Walt Whitman Middle School Principal's Conference Room

Present: David Voorhees (Committee Chair), Hollin Hall Village, Williamsburg Manor, Wellington.

The meeting focused on the report on the November 18, 2010 Fairfax County Budget meeting. The purpose of the County Budget session was to establish an informal working group comprised of members of the many volunteer budget committees and panels. The goal is to improve information sharing and help each group support their respective supervisor and the county budget office during this year's budget preparation. Another benefit of this group is that it can serve as a channel for citizen questions regarding the budget, thus better organizing those questions and ensuring they can be addressed more effectively by the county budget office.

Unlike the MVCCA Budget and Finance Committee, which emanates from Neighborhood Associations, other district supervisors

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Next meeting will be a telephone conference at 7:30 p.m. Topic: How to stop magazine subscriptions. The dial-in number and participant code will be provided the last week of December.

EDUCATION

The Education did not meet on December 1, 2010.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 5, 2011, at 8pm in the Whitman Middle School library. However, since the Superintendent's Proposed FY2012 Budget will not be released until January 6, 2011, this meeting date may be changed or an additional meeting scheduled in order to determine if the Committee wishes to provide testimony at the public hearings before the School Board on January 24 and 25, 2011. Due to the timing, such testimony if any would be with the approval of the MVCCA Board but without consideration by the Council.

Committee members will be notified of any changes or additions.

Next meeting: 8pm, January 5, 2011, Whitman MS [subject to change]

ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

The committee met on 1 December 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in room 3, Mount Vernon Government Center. Present were Betsy Martin (chair), Bob Reynolds (MVCCA co-chair), Collingwood-on-the-Potomac, Hollin Hills, Potomac Valley—Riverbend, River Towers Condo, Riverside Estates, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Tauxemont, Wellington, Wellington Heights, and Woodley Hills.

Virginia's Implementation Plan for Controlling Air Pollution under the Clean Air Act: Tom Ballou (Director, Office of Air Data Analysis and Planning, VA DEQ) briefed the committee on how the air quality planning process works, the measures that VA proposes in its State Implementation Plan (SIP) to address air quality problems, and some trends in air quality.

Ozone is the most persistent air quality problem in Northern VA. For 40 years, our area has consistently failed to attain the EPA standard. Fine particulate matter has also been a problem in the DC metro area, especially since 2008. Both are regional pollutants. Ozone is a secondary pollutant resulting from volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxide (NOX) "cooking" in sunlight. It is a seasonal pollutant that is highest from April-October, and is correlated with hot weather.

Ballou explained that changes in EPA standards for each air pollutant are recommended by the Clean Air Scientist Advisory Committee based on a review of scientific evidence about health effects. When an area does not attain the EPA standard, the state must

submit a plan including specific actions to reduce the pollutant to acceptable levels. For our area, the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (which includes Fairfax County officials Sharon Bulova and others) develops a plan to bring the area back into attainment. States that do not comply with the requirements of the Clean Air Act could lose their federal transportation money.

Each SIP (posted on the Council of Governments website) has emissions budgets, and these constrain transportation plans, which must stay below them. The SIP for ozone includes measures to control NOX and VOC from power plant and auto emissions (Northern VA is the only part of VA with vehicle emissions testing), reformulated gas, gas vapor recovery, transportation control measures, such as bicycle paths, and other measures. The Mirant Potomac River Generating Station has been a major polluter, with numerous violations and continuous enforcement actions by DEQ and EPA, but emissions controls are finally installed for most major air pollutants and its emissions are reduced dramatically. Another project retrofits school buses to less polluting models, using funds from EPA and enforcement settlements. DEQ also negotiated a plan to mitigate pollution from BRAC construction (e.g., idling restrictions, clean engine equipment, etc.).

Northern VA has made steady and dramatic progress in reducing ozone. (Part of the reason it consistently fails to attain the ozone standard is that the standard was made more stringent several times in the past two decades.) 2009 was an especially clean year, because of reduced driving due to the bad economy and a cooler summer. Fine particulate matter has also declined steadily. The ozone improvements have been achieved mostly by dramatic reductions in emissions from automobiles and power plants; future targets for reduced emissions include non-road equipment, such as lawn mowers, as well as boats. It will become harder to achieve the reductions needed to meet new, stricter standards soon to be implemented, since most easily-achieved improvements have been made.

Resolution on North Hill Redevelopment Project. A resolution supporting the redevelopment of 11 acres of the North Hill site by the Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RHA) for affordable housing, contingent on four conditions (pertaining to tree preservation, stormwater improvements, elimination of one or more housing units, and funding plan for the park) being met was introduced by Paul Phelps (Hollin Hills) and seconded by Anita Kerr (Wellington). Another resolution was offered opposing the North Hill project, on the grounds that too much low income and affordable housing was already located in the Route 1 corridor and would further impede revitalization of Route 1 as well as eliminating valuable open space. This resolution was not formally moved or seconded, but there was extensive discussion about the issues posed by both resolutions. Committee members suggested that the alternative resolution be submitted to Housing and P&Z Committees, since it focused on issues pertinent to those committees.

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Several members spoke in strong opposition to the North Hill project. Others expressed the view that the development was the price we had to pay for getting the 22 acre park. Others expressed concern that if the project was defeated, the entire 33 acres could be sold and developed, by right. Others spoke in support of the need for affordable housing.

The committee was persuaded that the resolution would be stronger if the wording was reversed to say we “do not support” ... “unless and until” the four conditions are met. The revised wording was adopted and the committee voted to support this resolution, with 8 in favor, 3 opposed, and no abstentions. The resolution as passed appears on page 12 of the Record.

Earth Day Eco-Fair

The chair proposed that the E&R committee organize and sponsor an Eco-Fair and Tour on Earth Day (April 22, 2011) to highlight environmental innovations, big and small, and good environmental practices being adopted by residents, businesses, churches or schools in the Mount Vernon area. Examples of projects that might be on the tour would be going “off the grid” by installing solar panels and geothermal heating; bay-friendly landscaping with Virginia native plants; rain gardens and rain barrels that reduce stormwater runoff, composting, etc. The Eco-Fair also might bring in groups and vendors who offer services and technical expertise to help people make their homes and habits more environmentally friendly. The committee was supportive, and several members volunteered to help. The chair will prepare a brief proposal suggesting possible projects and co-sponsors and next steps.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the E&R committee is Jan. 5 at 7:00 p.m. in room 3, Mount Vernon Government Center, 2511 Parkers Lane. Topics will be (1) **Fairfax County’s Implementation of Stormwater Management Plans**, Fred Rose, Stormwater Planning Division (2) **Proposed off-leash dog park in Westgrove Park**, Steve Nixon, President of Westgrove PACK (Pumphouse Association for Canine Kindness).

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

On Dec. 7, HHS Committee met to follow up on the November discussion of Volunteer Needs/ Resources, from a neighborhood perspective. The following 7 MVCCA members were represented: Collingwood on Potomac, Hollin Hills, Stratford Landing. Stratford on Potomac-Sec. 4, Pinewood Lake, Tauxemont, and Wellington. (Waynewood’s representative, who could not be present, sent a helpful neighborhood response on the agenda discussion item.) Julie Ellis, Mount Vernon Representative to the Commission on Aging as well as Hollin Hall Senior Center’s Director, and Region I Manager for Human Services Lloyd Tucker were invited to contribute their perspectives on important services for youth and

seniors—County operated, as well as volunteer efforts and non-profit programs—in our area: i.e. Mount Vernon, the Route One Corridor, and Fairfax County Human Services Region I.

The committee received a summary list of issues reported monthly in the *MVCCA RECORD* in 2010 and agreed to schedule participation in six public meetings in the first quarter of 2011 (please see below). The committee’s agenda for the evening focused on Volunteering and the perceived needs and resources in neighborhoods. (This was Part 2 of the lively discussion of Visioning/ Volunteering reported in the November *RECORD*, on line at www.mvcca.org.)

VOLUNTEERING—RESOURCES, NEEDS

The committee reviewed and approved the “vision” statement reported in November, agreeing that present community resources and growth hold potential for continuing to attract “a diverse vibrant healthy and caring community” far into the future, providing that some trends evident now are met with “strategic responses (in education, public safety, and human services) that reduce or prevent violence, illness, recidivism, and stigma and that promote resilience and mutual respect...”

The local commitment to voluntary community service, the development here of outstanding private nonprofit organizations, and decades of strong advocacy for County contribution to strategic prevention programs that are effective in responding to emerging community crises are among the great strengths of our community. Yet all resources—public and private, charitable dollars as well as voluntary service—are under pressure for a complex of reasons, as discussed in November. In the present recession, we must guard against fraying of the safety net for temporary emergency assistance for basic needs and widening of gaps in availability of needed services. Yet, there is also concern that, under the pressure of meeting critical emergency needs, and despite the County’s valuable investment in identifying and building effective response through prevention and early intervention, we may slip backward in public funding for our key prevention programs. Meanwhile, the need to begin scaling up some kinds of programs and services, here in Mount Vernon, for increasing numbers of children and youth at risk, as well as for the seniors who hope to “age in place,” is on everyone’s mind. Scaleability and sustainability are key considerations.

Neighborhood voluntary activity can build on some programs but not simply replace them. What can the County agencies, and non-profit organizations do best? Regional Manager *Lloyd Tucker* responded to the committee’s request for a directory of neighborhood and community programs operated by the County in Region I. He provided a detailed report on youth participation in County operated programs at various sites during the summer of 2010. Demand is widespread for expanding the year round SACC after-school programs for middle school youth, and strategies for making these more self-supporting were discussed. *Lainge Bailey*, volun-

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teer coordinator for Nexus roundtables on children and mental health held locally in the past year, reported a new effort to explore senior/youth partnerships in activities that would build resilience for both generations. As Mount Vernon representative to the Commission on Aging, *Julie Ellis* reported on local interest in organizing volunteers to assist seniors in traveling to medical appointments (in response to major cuts in County transit programs). One neighborhood has begun an informal “senior/neighbor buddy” program for nearby errands. Initially, efforts encounter issues familiar to non-profits and faith groups: liability, training of volunteers, need for a “coordinator” to fill the time-consuming role of synching needs with potential volunteers, etc.

On the other hand, when neighborhoods identify specific existing needs and do-able tasks, the response can be rewarding. Several members report reviving interest in neighborhood networking, for example, through an association fall outdoor social event that attracts newer, younger families interested in meeting other parents of young children. While busy families in the “sandwich” generational cohort need do-able goals and time-efficient methods, they are interested in community service and making neighborhood connections. Some associations have on-line neighborhood association newsletters, or get a response from a well-monitored list-serve.

Neighborhood volunteers for CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) or for the Medical Reserve Corps are still very much needed in many parts of Mount Vernon. Re-read that HHS & Public Safety joint report in the February 2010 *RECORD*. And visit the County website for emergency preparedness info—including the page for “winter weather.”

MVCCA HHS COMMITTEE REPORTS IN 2010

The committee received the chair’s list of monthly focus issues in 2010, useful in locating the detailed reports on major issues that are ongoing in our area published in the *MVCCA RECORD* and archived on line at www.mvcca.org. Member associations are urged to review the detailed reports in February on Emergency Preparedness, April on *Housing Blueprint* goals and strategies, and September on Inova Mount Vernon Hospital operations and planning. Questions and recommendations on these and other human services issues, from our member associations and all others in the community, are sought and welcomed by the committee, as we plan our focus for the coming year.

January	Systems of Prevention
February	Emergency Preparedness (Joint with Public Safety Committee)
March	Fx County FY 2011 Health and Human Services Planning
April	The <i>Housing Blueprint</i> / Strategies for Preventing Homelessness (Joint with Special Committee for Affordable and Workforce Housing)
May	Strategic Planning, ongoing in 6 areas: Inova planning, County Health Dept. “MAPP Part-

nership,” Services for Older Adults/Aging in Place, Mental Health/Beeman Commission Recommendations, Youth, and the Plan to Prevent/End Homelessness

June	New in FY2011, Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood & Community Services
July	Mount Vernon healthcare facilities in the news: Expansion and rededication of the Gartlan Center for Community Mental Health and announcement of hospital plans (see also September report).
[August	No MVCCA meetings, no RECORD]
September	Inova Mount Vernon Hospital CEO’s Report: Progress in Operations and Plans for \$43.6 Million Expansion
October	Coordinating Services in Mount Vernon & Human Services Region I
November	Visioning/Volunteering (Part 1)
December	Volunteering (Part 2): Neighborhood Needs and Resources

HUMAN SERVICES MEETINGS—Jan.-March, 2011

In planning the first quarter of 2011, the committee agreed that review of the housing and human services work of the Mount Vernon Visioning Task Force and response to the County Executive’s *Advertised Budget Plan for FY 2012* will require additional meetings and important variations from our usual “first Tuesday” meeting schedule. The committee recommends that HHS representatives participate in the public meetings for Jan-March described below. (Some may wish to “team” with an alternate, as needed, especially to review and respond to the FY 2012 budget planning for County support of human services.)

NOTE: MVCCA HHS Committee will cancel its meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 4; instead, members will participate in the Jan. 10 R1TF meeting.

Monday, Jan. 10 Route 1 Task Force for Human Services convenes 7 PM at the South County Center, 8350 Richmond Hwy., with Supervisor Gerry Hyland and Deputy County Executive for Human Services Pat Harrison, to review draft issues papers developed for the Mount Vernon Visioning Task Force by its Human Services and Housing Committees. Meetings are always open to the public.

Saturday, Feb. 5 Mount Vernon Annual Town Meeting at Mount Vernon High School, 7:45-1 PM. Don’t miss the early bazaar of information on local services, the Report from the Mount Vernon Visioning Task Force, and the virtual bus tour.

Tuesday, Feb. 8 MVCCA Health and Human Services Committee meets 7:30 PM to consider service needs and resources in our area, in preparation for publication of the County Executive’s proposed *Fairfax County Advertised Budget Plan for FY 2012*, to be presented to the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2011 (televised on cable public access Channel 16, with documents published immediately after on internet, www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

Feb. 24-March 1 MVCCA Health and Human Services Committee members plan to participate in three key meetings, in six days,

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in order to (1) review the proposed Fairfax County FY 2012 Budget Plan for its impact on human services in our area, (2) draft an informed response in the form of a resolution, for committee consideration, and (3) discuss and vote on a Resolution, "Fairfax County FY 2012 Health and Human Services Planning" (to be forwarded to the MVCCA Executive Board on March 10 for approval for publication in the Record and for consideration at the MVCCA General Council meeting on March 23.

(1) **Thursday, Feb. 24, The Route One Task Force for Human Services convenes at 7 PM** at the South County Center, with Deputy Co. Exec. for Human Services Pat Harrison, to analyze the impact of the budget plan;

(2) **Saturday morning, Feb. 26 9 AM-noon. At this Ad hoc HHS Committee meeting**, members will rough out a draft resolution responding to the *Budget Plan*, including any \$ restorations to be recommended;

(3) **Tuesday, March 1, 7:30 PM, the Health and Human Services Committee meets** in the Inova Mount Vernon Hospital Engle Room (2nd floor, use Yellow parking and entrance please) to vote on an HHS Resolution, "Fairfax County Health and Human Services Planning for FY 2012."

PLANNING & ZONING

Minutes of the December 6, 2010 Planning & Zoning Committee meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 and was attended by representatives from the following member associations: Collingwood Springs, Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hall Village, Hollin Hills, Huntington Club, Marlan Forest, Mount Vernon Manor, Mount Vernon Terrace, Mount Zephyr, Potomac Valley River Bend Estates, Riverside Gardens, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Sulgrave Manor, Wellington, Wessynton, Williamsburg Manor North, and Woodlawn Manor. There were two land use presentations, an update on cell phone Distributed Antenna Systems, and a discussion about North Hill. No resolutions were passed.

First, the Committee heard a presentation on the proposed Costco for the empty movie theater site. Unlike the standard big-box configuration where the store is placed at the rear of the property and the parking is in front, this Costco would be placed along Richmond Highway along the southern property edge. The store entrance would face the existing Wal-Mart. While the Costco use would generate less traffic than permitted under the current zoning, it would definitely add substantial vehicles to an already congested area. There were also concerns about the delivery trucks that would be driving along Richmond Highway between the Beltway and the Costco. No vote was taken because the traffic issues are yet to be resolved; the applicant will be asked to appear at the Transportation Committee in January.

Second, the Committee viewed a PowerPoint presentation on cell phone Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS) to possibly provide cell

phone coverage in the Mount Vernon area without placing tall cell towers in residential areas. DAS has been successfully deployed in other parts of Fairfax County. Each particular installation is customized to minimize the visual impact on the particular community. More details will be presented at subsequent meetings.

Third, the Committee considered the Smitty's site. The Council has a pending APR nomination to change the Comprehensive Plan (CP) for this parcel. Different development options are possible depending on whether the development follows a) the current zoning, b) rezoning with the current CP, or c) rezoning with the amended CP. The property owner was seeking guidance from the community as to what uses and density are desired. The owner does not have a desire to consolidate with the properties with the mobile home parks.

Lastly, the Committee considered a resolution submitted by the Spring Bank Community Association to oppose placing housing on North Hill. The resolution opposes the RHA plan for 67 manufactured houses due to the excessively high cost to the County taxpayers, to the environmental damage, and because the design is in opposition to two objectives of the HUD CDBG program (which helped fund the purchase of the land). No vote was taken pending coordination with other Committee comments.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45. The next meeting is Monday, January 3, 2011, at 7:30pm in the Jack Knowles Lecture Hall of Whitman Middle School.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Associations represented: Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hills, Mount Vernon, Mount Zephyr, Riverside Estates, Riverside Gardens, Southwood, Waynewood, and Williamsburg Manor North. Co-chair Al Bornmann also attended.

Old Business

The chair opened the meeting with a brief review of the progress on the Public Safety Committee of the Mount Vernon Visioning Task Force. At the last meeting, Nicholas Beltrante, the proposer of establishing a citizen police review board in Fairfax County attended and requested that the idea be included as one of the committee's recommendations. The committee reviewed the information that had been given at the two citizen input meetings that were held. It then narrowed the ideas for recommendations down to six.

New Business

Copies of the meeting schedule for 2011 were provided. The public safety items in the 2011 Fairfax County Preliminary Draft Legislative Program were briefly reviewed. Of interest, it was noted that included is a request that the General Assembly 'initiate/support legislation to make the financial exploitation of an individual suffer-

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ing from a diminished mental capacity a criminal act, whether the victim is impaired due to advanced age, mental illness, mental retardation, physical illness or disability, or other causes.' Another item is the request for adequate compensation for jail confinement costs for prisoners that should be funded by the state. For instance the current state budget reduced the per diem payment for prisoners from \$8 per day to \$4. The third item is the pay for magistrates. 'From low pay for magistrates and court support staff (leading to a high turnover rate), to the current freeze on judicial vacancies, the courts are feeling the effects of repeated underfunding.' Finally, it was noted that an important item that is not included is support for continuation of state funding for the VASAVOR program. This program provides support for prisoners being released after long periods of confinement, e.g., 20 years in prison. It helps them with education, finding a home and job, etc. It has been established in only Fairfax County and Newport News, but it has proven over the last six years to be of great value, in most cases, in keeping released prisoners out of crime and, instead, making a productive life for themselves.

The chair provided copies of a presentation made by school board at-large member Martina Hone to the Fairfax County Community Criminal Justice Board entitled 'Review of the of the Fairfax County Public Schools Disciplinary Process'.

The last item provided were copies of the 'NTSB Preliminary Report on the San Bruno California Pipeline Explosion.' The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Dept and the Local Emergency Planning Committee are working with the local gas companies to determine what lessons can be learned and steps taken to prevent such a disaster from happening in Fairfax County.

Presentation – Crime Solvers Program

PFC Shelly Broderick from the Fairfax County Police Department gave a presentation on the Fairfax County Crime Solvers program. Crime Solvers is a community-oriented program involving citizens, the business community, news media, and the Fairfax County Police Department working together to fight crime. The Crime Solvers board is comprised of a group of citizens who pay cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of any person or persons who commit crimes in Fairfax County or in the capture of a wanted person. PFC Broderick Crime Solvers stated that Crime Solvers is a 501(c) corporation and is not run or funded by the Fairfax County Police Department.

Virginia Code Section 15.2-1713.1 provides for the establishment of local "Crime Stoppers" programs and the confidentiality of information received from individuals regarding criminal activity received through a "crime stoppers" program. PFC Broderick reported that Fairfax County Crime Solvers, which started in October 1979, is the oldest such program in Virginia. The Fairfax County Crime Solvers program operates 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

Anyone with knowledge of a crime can call the tip line (1-866-411-TIPS). Callers do not have to give their names or telephone numbers and never have to make an appearance in court. When a call is received, a fact sheet is completed, which includes a summary of the information provided by the caller. The call taker assigns a "call number" to that person, which is the only form of identification the caller will need for any further contact with Crime Solvers. In addition, a tipster may send an email to www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text information to "TIP187" plus the message to CRIMES. PFC Broderick stated that information received through the Crime Solvers program is then forwarded to the Fairfax County Police Department for review. If the information provided results in arrest and indictment, apprehension of a fugitive or the recovery of stolen property or narcotics, the Crime Solvers Board is presented with the information and determines the amount of the cash award to pay the tipster. A cash reward ranging between \$100 and \$1,000 can be paid to the caller, although PFC Broderick stated that most rewards are at least \$250, and if valuable information is provided in connection with the "case of the week," the tipster receives \$1,000. Crime Solvers relies solely on donations from local businesses and private citizens to pay the callers.

PFC Broderick also mentioned that many tipsters are criminals themselves and will disclose the identity of their fellow criminals. However, PFC Broderick stated that she does not care about the identity of the tipster. She also stated that she received lots of tips concerning the serial burglar in Fairfax County. The burglar has been apprehended.

In support of the usefulness of the Crime Solvers program, PFC Broderick reported that as of May 2010, 500 rewards totaling \$230,000 had been awarded to tipsters since the beginning of the Crime Solvers program. In addition, information received through Crime Solvers had led to the arrest of over 800 criminals, including more than 200 fugitives and the closure of more than 1,700 crimes.

In furtherance of its fight against crime, on April 19, 2010, the Fairfax County Crime Solvers program, announced two new tools, the utilization of Facebook and a new Deadbeat Parents page on its website. Because Crime Solvers regularly posts information on wanted persons, unsolved crimes, suspects caught in the act and more, Fairfax County Crime Solvers hopes that Facebook members throughout the region and nation will become "fans" of its page and follow its updates. Also, Fairfax County Crime Solvers launched a page on its website devoted to Deadbeat Parents (those who fail to pay child support). Viewers may visit the website to see the new faces of these Deadbeat Parents and other wanted fugitives.

Lastly, PFC Broderick reported that the various National Capital Area Crime Solvers programs attempt to get together on a quarterly basis in order to exchange ideas.

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January Meeting

The next meeting of the Public Safety Committee will begin at 7:30 pm Thursday, January 6, 2011 in Community Room #3, Mount Vernon Governmental Center.

TRANSPORTATION

The MVCCA Transportation Committee met on Monday, December 6, 2010 in the Library of the Walt Whitman Middle School. The meeting was chaired by Catherine M. Voorhees. Attending were representatives of 19 member citizen associations (The Fairfax, Hollin Hall Village, Huntington, Riverside Gardens, Riverside Estates, Riverside Gardens, Marlan Forest, Montebello, Mount Vernon Manor, Mount Zephyr, Mount Vernon Terrace, Stratford on the Potomac, Section IV, Southwood, Tauxemont, Waynewood, Wellington, Wellington Heights, Williamsburg Manor North, Woodley Hills).

The November 2010 minutes of the Transportation Committee, as written in the Record were approved.

Kings Crossing Wal-Mart Traffic Congestion – The chair received several complaints about the bottleneck, which occurs during the evening rush hour and on weekends. Evidently, neither FC Department of Transportation nor VDOT considered holiday traffic volumes in their estimates of traffic impact at this location when a new store was proposed. The dedicated left-hand turn lane on U.S. 1 southbound for this new store is insufficient (too short) in that more than 6 vehicles want to turn into the Kings Crossing Wal-Mart. The result is that the three travel lanes become two travel lanes and the backup on U.S. 1 southbound has extended to Quander Road during evening rush hours and on the weekend. This traffic congestion is unacceptable.

The Chair contacted VDOT using the 1-800-FOR-ROAD toll-free telephone number and spoke to Linda. Linda stated that she would request that the timing of the lights at that location be revisited. She did not think a formal study would be required for this because VDOT had changed the lights at that location just before the store opened. That would be a short-term solution. A long-term solution would be to lengthen the dedicated left-hand turn lane and that would require a formal traffic study. Linda put in a request for both solutions. The chair will monitor how 1-800-FOR-ROAD responds.

Transportation committee members expressed concern because the resultant bottleneck makes it appear that the MVCCA transportation committee did not do their job. However, the Mount Vernon Planning Commissioner, Earl Flanagan, indicated that the proposed development was “by right” and thus, the planning commission does not review those developments. Thus, if Fairfax County deems a project “by right”, the Planning Commission does not review the project to determine that the existing transportation infrastructure can accommodate the new development (“by right” or a permitted use under the zoning ordinance). Why doesn’t the

Planning Commission review and approve all of the developments in Fairfax County?

Since it is well known that there is no funding for transportation infrastructure in Virginia as the county and the state are having a difficult time with transportation funds, why are developers of new stores that bring more vehicles than a previous use of the land not being asked to fund the necessary transportation infrastructure to accommodate their new use? Is transportation funding not a priority?

The Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance does not define what a by right use is. That is, there is no county regulation that states that county cannot ask for funding so that proposed developments accommodate the traffic generated by their new use. Stafford County has a transportation impact fee that it charges developers, which is supported by the Virginia Code (Va. Code 15.2-2319). Perhaps Fairfax County should have such a transportation impact fee?

Transportation Committee Action is to generate resolutions that fund transportation improvements of all developments with money from developers in order to obtain the funding to build the necessary transportation infrastructure of a proposed development. The transportation committee plans to invite the Fairfax County Building Commissioner to address the transportation committee to find out how current county regulations account for what transportation infrastructure is needed to accommodate traffic generated. Who provides the transportation report and who is responsible for reviewing and approving the report? If a project is deemed “by right”, does that mean that there is no review or approval of the project (for transportation issues, storm water management, etc.)? What is the review process of a “by right” project, and what does the county do when the development causes problems that were not addressed by the development proposal? In other words, does the County absolve its agencies after permitting development that causes the level of service to worsen and traffic gridlock?

Costco Wholesale proposed for 7940 Richmond Highway (abandoned Multiplex Theatre) – According to the December 2, 2010 Washington Post “What’s going where”, a special exception application was filed for a retail sales establishment at this location. Under Fairfax County Zoning Regulation 2-302.3, the special exception request removes this project from the “by right” permitted uses of the zoning code. Thus, the County should request development conditions that accommodate the vehicles going to this new retail center. The Sherwood Hall Lane intersection, without the Costco development, is at LOS F during peak rush hours and weekends. Currently, the backup on Sherwood Hall Lane extends past the Schelhorn Road around in the afternoon rush. As the Kings Crossing Wal-Mart traffic jam indicates, holiday traffic at this intersection may cause backups on U.S. 1 north and south, as well as Sherwood Hall Lane that interfere with residents entering and leaving their properties.

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While the land use matter may be a Lee District issue, Lee District should review the transportation impact to U.S. 1 north and south and to Sherwood Hall Lane that effect Mount Vernon residents. VDOT rejected the transportation section of the initial Traffic Impact Analysis for the Costco application for several reasons including, among others, a dual left-turn lane (U.S. 1 northbound) at Richmond Highway/Sherwood Hall Lane/Wal-Mart parking lot intersection instead of lengthening the existing left-hand turn lane, construction of a southbound left-hand lane for U-turns at Richmond Highway/Ladson Lane when the median is closed at the Spring Garden Apartments, and blocking parking aisles within 260 feet of Richmond Highway.

At a future meeting, the transportation committee will ask the Costco development group to discuss VDOT's recommendations, as well as there funding of these traffic improvements.

Route 1 Improvements at Fort Belvoir – On December 2, 2010, the Federal Highway administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the U.S. Army Garrison at Fort Belvoir and the Virginia Department of Transportation held a public scoping meeting at the Mount Vernon High School to collect comments from the public identifying transportation problems and needs for the environmental assessment for improvements to Route 1 between Telegraph Road and Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. This environmental study may be one way to request the money for the Transit Study as the National Environmental Policy Act requires the government to study the impacts of alternatives on human, cultural and natural resources as well as identify and evaluate the effectiveness of alternatives to improve mobility, capacity, safety and travel conditions on Route 1 within the study limits. Many of the transportation committee members submitted their comments at the December 2 Public Scoping meeting and the chair wrote a letter to the FHWA asking if formal comments would be accepted in the spring of 2011 before the alternatives development/citizen information meeting. Comments from the public scoping meeting are due December 13, 2010. If comments from the council in the form of a resolution will be accepted the committee will draft such a resolution in order to stress the need for a Transit Study and that whatever is built conform to the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan.

Old Business - Mulligan Road update – completed late 2012.

New Business –

It was reported in the Annadale Patch (online newspaper) on November 30, 2010 that a form-based plan developed by Fairfax County officials illustrates the future community vision for Annadale to be a pedestrian-friendly, mixed-use urban center. Chairman Bulova recently sent a letter to VDOT requesting \$5 million to go toward revitalizing Annadale.

County Executive Anthony Griffin in his February 23, 2009 letter to the Board of Supervisors outlined the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2010-2014 which states "Commercial Revi-

talization: Included \$5.29 million for North Hill (successor to Woodley Nightingale)". That is, revitalization in Annadale means road improvements and a pedestrian-friendly urban village, while Mount Vernon receives a new trailer park instead of commercial revitalization. If Fairfax County has found Commercial Revitalization bond money for Mount Vernon, Fairfax County should spend the money on a true revitalization effort: Funding the Transit Study along U.S. Route 1 and establishing a centerline so that transportation improvements can be constructed.

The next Transportation meeting will be held on January 3, 2010 at the Walt Whitman Middle School library.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AFFORDABLE AND WORKFORCE HOUSING

The Special Committee held its monthly meeting on November 18, 2010, 7:30 pm at the Mount Vernon District Government Center. The community organizations represented at the meeting were: Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hills, Mason Hill, Stratford Landing, Stratford on the Potomac Sec. IV, and Woodley Hills Community Assn. Chris Wolfson was welcomed as a new representative of Waynewood Citizens Association to the committee. Also attending was Elisabeth Lardner Mount Vernon Representative to the Redevelopment Housing Authority.

Minutes of the last meeting of June 24 were reviewed and approved with two additions. In the first line of the third paragraph: "a resident of Winchester, Frederick County," was added after Ms. Pesto. At the end of the same paragraph the sentence: "About ten applications per year are received" was added.

The chair updated the committee on a number of County-wide issues. The report from the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness published in its publication *PARTNER Update* <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/homeless/> shows that it has been able to assist 948 people facing homelessness in the County in the last 226 days, with 279 individuals assisted by the Housing Opportunities Support Teams (HOST) since 1 October. Nearly \$1.1 of the \$1.45 million of the Fairfax County Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) funds has been expended giving financial assistance, meaning that these funds will be depleted in three months. Bob Trimble elaborated on the way this office has been successful in bringing various agencies dealing with the homeless in the County together and placing them into homes as the first step in reducing their number. Attention was directed to two activities. First – the hypothermia prevention program is preparing for the winter season at various faith-based communities, nonprofit organizations assisted by businesses and individual volunteers. In our area, New Hope Housing operates the ventures in Community Hypothermia Outreach Program which opens its doors December 1, at Rising Hope Church, 8220 Russell Road. Second – the 23rd Annual Fannie Mae Help the Homeless Walkathon scheduled to

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take place Saturday, November 20th on the National Mall. There are over 118 beneficiaries in the County from this event including United Community Ministries and Good Shepherd Housing from our area. Details at: www.helpthehomelessdc.org

The Committee was informed about the period of public comment from Monday Nov. 1, to Wednesday, Dec. 15, on the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA) proposed revisions to the **Annual Plan for Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program** http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rha/5-yrplan/pha_5yearannualplan_2010.pdf. FCRHA will advise the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), residents of FCRHA-owned housing, and the public of the FCRHA's mission to serve the needs of low-income and very low-income families for Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing assistance. The plan contains the strategy to address those needs. Interested member associations can review this document and submit comments as instructed at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rha/annualplanphcv11-10.htm>. There will also be a public hearing on this issue held at 4500 University Plaza, Fairfax at 7 pm, Thursday Jan. 20.

Work continues on the soon to be developed Residences at the Government Center, a unique public/private development venture between Fairfax County and the Jefferson Apartment Group. This 270 unit apartment complex, consisting entirely of workforce housing affordable to households earning 50 to 100 percent of the area median income, received recognition from the Washington Smart Growth Alliance and the ULI Terwillinger Center for Workforce Housing for its innovative approach for providing workforce housing.

The Committee was also informed about two other planning documents required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – the **Consolidated Plan One-Year Action Plan for FY 2011** and the **Five-Year Consolidated Plan for FY2011- 2015**. The One-Year Plan - <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rha/consplan/fy2011oneyearconsolplan.pdf> contains a description of how Fairfax County intends to use funds from the programs included in the Consolidated Plan in order to meet identified needs. This plan includes recommendations for the use of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program funds, the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS funds. It lists the projects and activities planned including proposed use of funds by FCRHA for FY 2011. The Five-Year Consolidated Plan - http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rha/consplan/fy20112015fiveyearcond_plan_hud_submission_final.pdf identifies a wide range of needs, current programs and strategies, and gaps and priorities for housing, community service, homelessness, community development, neighborhood preservation and revitalization, employment and economic opportunity programs and services in the County. It includes goals and objectives to address the priority needs with the use of resources available through the Consolidated

Plan and other sources. The plan goes into detail on needs for the homeless and the demand for affordable housing while explaining the existing barriers and obstacles. The Consolidated Community Funding Advisory Committee (CCFAC) was appointed by the County Executive to oversee the development of the Consolidated Plan. Both plans require periodic updates with public input.

Public comment period was concluded on November 10th on the **Fair Housing Analysis of Impediments Five-Year Fair Housing Planning Document (2011 – 2015)**. This Analysis provides an overview of the fair housing situation in Fairfax County, with recommendations to overcome impediments. It has a comprehensive review of a jurisdiction's laws, regulations, and administrative policies and an assessment of how these affect availability of housing. The Analysis is a requirement for federal funding under the County's Consolidated Plan and is planned to be provided to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors for their meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 7. Copies of the document are available for review at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rha/draftfairhousingai.pdf> and at the Citizen Information Desk located on the lobby level of the Government Center, and at the information desk of all branches of the Fairfax County Public Libraries.

Elisabeth Lardner provided a brief update about the work of the Supervisor's Visioning Committee on Housing. Their next meeting is 7 pm, Nov. 22 at the Mount Vernon Government center.

The Committee addressed two other issues that need further action. First - at the recommendation of John Savage, it was decided to work on a briefing that clarifies the ways in which Accessory Dwelling Units can be authorized in the County without adverse impact on any community. Second - Joan McLellan highlighted the problem of a lack of adequate rental apartments that young recent graduates could afford within the County. Development of a number of high rise apartment houses could address this problem. Work will be needed to quantify need data. The chair noted that renewed interest in the committee's task of keeping member associations informed and identification specific tasks to work on should be good reasons for the committee to continue its work.

The following meeting on housing was noted:
Fairfax County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Meeting - Friday, December 17, 2010 *beginning at 9:30 am* at the Fairfax County Government Center Rooms 9 & 10.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 16, 7:30 pm at the Mount Vernon Government Center.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON — LONG RANGE STRATEGIC PLANNING —

The MVCCA Special Committee on Long Range Strategic Planning (SCLRSP) continues with Listening Tour stops. Their December meeting was moved from the 13th to the 20th at 7:30 pm at the Mount Vernon Governmental Center. If your Community Association hasn't yet setup a Listening Tour stop and would like to do so please contact the MVCCA SCLRSP Chair Kahan Dhillon by e-mail at ksdjr@regentcompany.com or phone at 703-768-8437 to schedule a stop in your Community. Also as always please contact the Chair with any comments or questions you may have.

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ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

E&R-2010-001: RESOLUTION ON PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT AT NORTH HILL SITE

1. **WHEREAS** the North Hill site, owned by the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RHA), consists of 33 acres in three parcels – 11 acres that are currently zoned R-MHP (mobile home park, 6 units per acre), 5 acres along Route One zoned C-8 (commercial), and 17 acres zoned R-2 (residential, two dwellings per acre); and
2. **WHEREAS** the 33-acre North Hill site is planned for public park for passive recreational use in the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan, a use that has been endorsed by the Mount Vernon Council of Civic Associations (MVCCA); but
3. **WHEREAS** the Board of Supervisors decided to balance the needs for more affordable, workforce housing and for more parks by building 11 acres of affordable housing at North Hill and developing 22 acres as a community park; and
4. **WHEREAS** in 2007 the MVCCA supported construction of no more than 66 homes on 11 acres and developing a park on the remainder of the North Hill site, while reserving the right to evaluate the proposed plan when it became available, including with respect to environmental issues; and
5. **WHEREAS** a 22-acre wooded park is preferable to the possible by-right development of the 17 acres zoned R-2 or the 5 acres zoned C-8 that could occur if the property were sold to a developer; and
6. **WHEREAS** plans to finance the development of the 11-acre mobile home park are underway, while no source of funding is in hand or proposed for the development of a community park on the remaining 22 acres; and
7. **WHEREAS** the heavily wooded North Hill site could provide recreation and respite in a congested area that has no parks, and also serves as a buffer against stormwater runoff that would further damage the already impaired Little Hunting Creek watershed; and
8. **WHEREAS** the 33-acre site has been neglected and unmaintained for almost 30 years, and now hosts trash dumps and homeless encampments, with its many large native trees threatened by invasive exotic plants and trees; and
9. **WHEREAS** the preliminary site plan for the 11-acre mobile home park submitted by RHA includes a tree

preservation plan based on a tree survey that was not conducted by certified arborists; and

10. **WHEREAS** the preliminary stormwater management plan proposes an underground control that will detain and filter the runoff from only about one-third of the mobile home park itself, plus additional runoff from the adjacent forest, while failing to control the runoff from two-thirds of the actual site to be developed; and
11. **WHEREAS**, because of the ongoing threats to water quality from past development, Fairfax County should set an example for private developers by achieving a higher environmental standard for its own projects and go beyond merely meeting the minimum requirements for control of stormwater runoff;
 - A. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations does not support the county's compromise plan to build affordable housing on 11 acres of the North Hill site and create a community park on the remaining 22 acres, unless and until the following conditions are met:
 - a) RHA will work collaboratively and accept the recommendations of the Mount Vernon District's urban forester to identify the most appropriate trees for preservation and removal, to supplement information provided by the tree survey, and will modify the site plan to include a tree preservation plan that follows best practices and can reasonably be expected to save trees targeted for preservation.
 - b) RHA will collaborate with Fairfax County's Stormwater Planning Division to develop, fund and implement a stormwater management plan for the 11-acre site that exceeds minimum stormwater controls for the quantity, velocity and quality of runoff.
 - c) RHA will eliminate one or more of the 67 housing units from its preliminary site plan in order to better balance the need for affordable housing against the also-important environmental goals of:
 - i) Ensuring preservation of significant specimen trees, as determined by the county's urban forester, and
 - ii) Improving stormwater controls to reduce the quantity and improve the quality of runoff from the mobile home park.
 - d) Fairfax County will formulate and implement a plan to fund development of the 22 acres of community park, with funding to be identified before the groundbreaking for the mobile home park.

END: MVCCA RESOLUTION E&R-2010-001

2011 Budget Report

	BUDGET FYE	PROPOSED
	12/31/2010	BUDGET FYE
	12/31/2011	

Receipts

Dues-Current Members	4,000.00	4,000.00
Dues-New members	200.00	200.00
Gala Income	4,100.00	6,000.00
Total Receipts	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 10,200.00

Disbursements

Record Production	2,200.00	1,400.00
Gala Expenses	3,200.00	6,000.00
Insurance	700.00	700.00
Outreach/Town Hall Meet**	-	650.00
Student of the Year Stipends	900.00	900.00
Web Site	600.00	150.00
Administrative Exp	500.00	300.00
Public Safety-Mailings	-	100.00
New Member Marketing-Town Hall Meet (Budget Line item included above at **)	200.00	-
Membership Meeting Exp	-	-
Training	-	-
Total Disbursements	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 10,200.00

Cash Balance as of November 30, 2010

Carried Forward to 2011 Fiscal Year:

\$10,615.92



**Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations,
Inc.
2011 Membership Application/Renewal**

Association Name:

Web Site Address:

Please do not submit the form electronically and send payment separately. Your association is not considered in good standing until payment and completed form are received. Electronic submissions of this form are intended for updating information only, subsequent to renewal.

Section 1 - Membership Dues Record Distribution

MVCCA will no longer provide mailed copies of the *RECORD*. All distribution will be accomplished electronically. Anyone may download a copy at no cost and may join the listserv to receive notice of the posting of each issue. MVCCA encourages all association representatives to join the listserv and read the *RECORD* in order to stay abreast of MVCCA actions. To join the listserv or download a copy of the *RECORD*, visit the Council's website at www.mvcca.org.

Check One	Number of Households	Estimated # of Homes In Assoc	Dues	2011 Dues Amount Total Amount enclosed (payable to MVCCA)
	Up to 75		\$42.00	
	76 to 150		\$54.00	
	151 to 249		\$72.00	
	250 to 499		\$90.00	
	500 or more		\$102.00	

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Signature of President or Treasurer (typed if completed electronically - **for updates only**)

Date

Section 2 – Association President and Treasurer

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Name	Office/Title	
Street Address		
City	Zip	
Home Phone	Work Phone	
Email		

ASSOCIATION TREASURER

Name	Office/Title	
Street Address		
City	Zip	
Phone	Work Phone	
Email		

Section 3 – Representatives to General Council

Note: Presidents may always represent their association at General Council and Committee Meetings and NEED NOT BE listed separately below. Otherwise, only representatives designated below will be allowed to vote at Council and Committee meetings. Presidents are responsible for notifying MVCCA of any changes in representation in accordance with the accompanying 2011 Annual Dues Notice and Important Membership Information.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			

Section 4 – Representatives to Committees

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE (BUDG)			
Name		Office/Title	
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City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (COAF)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE (EDUC)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION COMMITTEE (ENVR)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (H/HS)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE (PL/Z)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (PSAF)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TRANS)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE AFFORDABLE AND WORKFORCE HOUSING COMMITTEE (SCAWH)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Work Phone	
Email			
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE (SCSP)			
Name		Office/Title	
Street Address			
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Section 5 - Dues Billing Information

Future billings are sent to your association treasurer as provided in this document, via email whenever possible. If your treasurer changes after this form is submitted, you must notify the MVCCA Treasurer of this change. If future billings are to be sent to someone other than the association's treasurer, please indicate below.

Name				
Street Address				
City		State		Zip
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Phone		Fax		

Mail completed form and check to: MVCCA Treasurer, P.O. Box 203, Mount Vernon, VA 22121-0203

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, December 22, 8 p.m.
Walt Whitman Middle School
Jack Knowles Lecture Hall

AGENDA

Call to Order

Approval of Secretary's Minutes
Approval of Treasurer's Report
Committee Reports
Co-Chair's Report on Board Actions

Published Items and Resolutions

New Business

Member Association Representatives' Time
MV Supervisor's Time
Other Elected Representatives and Public Time

Adjournment

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

MVCCA Board—Jan. 13, 7:30 pm, MVGC Supvrs Conf Rm

Comm	Date	Time	Place	Chair
AWH	12/16	7:30	MVGC	Jeszszsky
BUDG	1/5	7:30	WWMS/PrinConf	D. Voorhees
COAF	1/4	7:30	Teleconference	Cox
EDUC	1/5	8:00	WWMS/Library	Harbeck
E&R	1/5	7:00	MVGC/Rm. 3	Martin
*H/HS	1/10	7:00	w/R1TF at SCC	Cleveland
PL/Z	1/3	7:30	WWMS-LH	Dale
PSAF	1/6	7:30	MVGC/Rm. 3	Shawkey
LRSP	12/20	7:30	MVGC	Dhillon
TRAN	1/3	8:00	WWMS/Library	C. Voorhees

(*) See H/HS Report, page 6, for details.

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