



Mount Vernon
Council
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Associations

Record

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MVCCA COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 22, 2013 8:00 p.m.
South County Governmental Center

PRESIDING: Co-chair Jim Davis.

ATTENDING: Co-chairs Jim Davis.

Committee Chairs Queenie Cox, Betsy Martin, Dean Sherick, David Voorhees; SLRSP chair Katherine Ward. Secretary Carol Coyle.

Representatives from: Belle View Condos, Hollin Glen, Hollin Hall Village, Montebello, Mount Zephyr, New Gum Springs, Newington Forest, Riverside Estates, Southwood, Stratford Landing, Sulgrave Manor, Wellington, Wellington Heights, Westgrove.

RESOLUTIONS (Because Gretchen is at County Planning Commission, rules were waived to consider resolutions first.)

P&Z 2013-02: RESOLUTION ON REQUEST FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION (SE 2010-MV-019) FOR 835 HERBERT SPRINGS ROAD, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22308. Approved 10-0.

P&Z 2013-04: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE PROFFERED CONDITION AMENDMENT APPLICATION FOR INOVA MOUNT VERNON HOSPITAL

Inova employees will get enrollment preference. Queenie suggested that with the waiting list for Head Start that perhaps approximately 50 of the 100 slots could be used to reduce the waitlist. Approved 10-0.

MINUTES – Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance – See The Record

Consumer Affairs – See The Record. June meeting will be 6/4 or 6/25 with Supervisor Hyland and/or Fairfax County Farmers' Market person.

Education – No meeting. Paper says teachers will get a pay raise.

Environment and Recreation – See The Record. Discussion of the property at 835 Herbert Springs Road, the construction that was done without permit, and the seemingly inadequate mitigation. There needs to be a policy that sets fines/mitigation commensurate with the windfall appreciated with the development along the water; notification of people who will be affected; and, probably most important, get the staff trained to appreciate the importance of these decisions.

Health & Human Services– No meeting. Southeast Health Planning Task Force May meeting will be rescheduled, in September.

Planning and Zoning – See The Record.

Public Safety – See The Record.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pamela Hess, Acadia Executive Director will be present on 26 June at the MVCCA Council Meeting for a short presentation (and a short Q and A session). The topic is what Acadia is currently doing at Woodlawn.

Transportation – See The Record.

Special Committee on Long-Range Strategic Planning – Will meet in June.

Fairfax County DOT has a traffic mitigation nomination; they have 90 days to work with County staff.

Street Scene is consulting.

Fairfax Forward is deferred.

Sign removal is moving forward.

Sunday, June 1, ivy off at McCutcheon Park 10-12.

Farmers' Market . Locating behind the skating rink decreases visibility, and the turning movements are out.

Consumer Affairs has been working on determining a viable solution to the challenges faced by consumers visiting the Mount Vernon Farmers market for over a year.

SUPERVISOR'S TIME (Brett)

Grande at Huntington – is a work in progress.

RFP for North Hill closes the end of May.

Possibility that Woodlawn Stables could relocate to Laurel Hill.

Owner wants to tear down Hollywood and Vines and build intense residential.

— Carol Coyle, Secretary

Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc.

Treasurer's Report

January 1 -May 31, 2013

Balance Available January 1, 2013 \$9,948.65

	Actual Monthly	Actual YTD	Approved Budget	Variance
Receipts				
Donations	\$995.00	\$1,199.00	\$0.00	\$1,199.00
Dues-Current Members	0	\$2,940.00	\$3,500.00	(\$560.00)
Dues-New members	\$0.00	\$54.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gala Income	\$3,722.00	\$3,722.00	\$4,000.00	(\$278.00)
MM Interest Income	\$0.21	\$1.03	\$2.50	(\$1.47)
Total Receipts	\$4,717.21	\$7,916.03	\$7,502.50	\$359.53

Disbursements

Administrative Exp	\$0.00	\$125.80	\$400.00	\$274.20
Gala Expenses	\$3,657.69	\$3,907.69	\$3,300.00	(\$607.69)
Insurance	\$0.00	\$773.00	\$700.00	(\$73.00)
Outreach/Town Hall Meeting	\$0.00	\$204.00	\$302.50	\$98.50
Record Production	\$150.00	\$615.00	\$1,900.00	\$1,285.00
Student of the Year Stipends/Awards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Web Site	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Total Disbursements	\$3,807.69	\$5,625.49	\$7,502.50	\$1,877.01

Balance Available May 31, 2013 \$12,239.19

Wells Fargo Checking \$7,231.43

Wells Fargo Money Market \$5,007.76

Total Funds Available \$12,239.19

BUDGET AND FINANCE

No meeting was held on Wednesday, June 5, 2013.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee will be July 3, 2013 at 7:30 pm at the Mount Vernon Government Center.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

COAF did not meet on June 4th because we spent the time crafting a feasibility survey concerning the Belle View Community Farmers Market. Before a farmers market is placed in the Belle View Shopping Center, we should know if the community will welcome the market, support it financially and determine the type of produce they want.

The survey was not designed to obtain information about moving or relocating the Mount Vernon Farmers Market. That market will remain in its current location—the Sherwood Regional Library parking lot.

Because of the strong interest in the survey, we are providing an "eyeball" preliminary results. As of June 11th, there were 703 respondents. Of that number 638 responded "yes" and 65 responded "no" to having a market in Belle View. The top five current community responders are: Stratford Landing (112); Westgrove (48); Hollin Hills (47); Hollin Village (41) and Belle View Condo (37) with Huntington (34) bringing up the rear. More than 60-communities have responded so far.

There's still approximately 1-week to take the survey before it closes on June 20th. So, these standings may change. The entire results of the survey will be made available to all.

In the meantime, here's a link to an article provided by a committee member titled: 6 Farmers Market Scams

http://www.rodalenews.com/farmers-market-tips?cm_mmc=TheDailyFixNL_-1319734_-06052013--6_farmers_market_scams_title

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 25th instead of July 2nd. The meeting will be held at the Mount Vernon Government Center aka Police Station at 7:30 p.m. The Fairfax County Park Authority will be our guests. This will be an informational for both the Park Authority and COAF.

The Park Authority will brief COAF on how they run their markets and to "get to know this citizens association, which clearly is very engaged in Mount Vernon District affairs."

We also will finalize a resolution concerning a farmers market in Belle View.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION

The Education Committee did not meet in June. Members were asked to try to attend one or more of the technology in education public focus meetings held by FCPS throughout the County.

The Committee will not meet on its usual schedule in July due to the Independence Day holiday. The next meeting date has not been decided; members will be informed by e-mail.

ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

The committee met 5 June 2013, at 7 p.m. in room 2, Mount Vernon Government Center. Attending were Betsy Martin (chair), Collingwood-on-the-Potomac, Engleside, Fair Haven, Hollin Hills, Huntington, Mount Zephyr, Potomac Valley-Riverbend, Southwood, Stratford Landing, Waynewood, Wellington Heights, Wessynton, Williamsburg Manor, and Woodlawn Manor.

Resolution on Legislation to Adopt a Disposable Bag Tax. A resolution asking the Virginia legislature to adopt a bag tax of 5 cents as a measure to reduce litter caused by discarded plastic bags was introduced and discussed. A member of the committee distributed commentary about studies that suggest that reusable bags are unsanitary and may cause illness or even death. The committee agreed to table the resolution until more evidence on this issue has been evaluated.

“On the Edge.” The committee watched the movie “On the Edge” about Dyke Marsh, and thanks to a new DVD supplied by member Glenda Booth, we were able to watch it this time without technical difficulties.

Updates and announcements.

- July 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Dr. Edd Burrows (Insect Ecologist) will lead a walk on the arthropods of Dyke Marsh. Meet at Haul Road entrance and dress for the weather. Information at www.fodm.org and <http://biodiversity.georgetown.edu/>.
- Larry Zaragoza announced that osprey eggs will soon hatch and can be observed by a camera at www.littlehuntingcreek.org.

Next meeting is July 3, 7 p.m., Mount Vernon Government Center. Topic: Virginia Dept. of Forestry Urban forester Jim McGlone will give a presentation on “Trees for the Bay.”

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

The Health and Human Services Committee (HHS) met Tuesday, June 4, at South County Center Room 221 A/B to plan our focus for the first six monthly meetings of the County Fiscal Year 2014 (which begins next month). Participating were representatives of seven member citizens’ associations: Collingwood on Potomac,

Hollin Glen, Hollin Hills, Stratford Landing, Stratford on Potomac Sec. IV, Sulgrave Manor, and Wellington. The members welcomed participation of Jack Dobbyn, Mount Vernon representative to the Fairfax County Human Services Council (HSC), who has volunteered to strengthen the dialogue between MVCCA and HSC at this critical time of growing needs, constrained funding from all sources, and emerging County strategies and policies for effective response. MVCCA Co-chair Jim Davis was present as liaison, and Louise Cleveland chaired the discussion.

An impressive array of public information was developed in FY13, presented to the Human Services Council in preparation for the FY14 & FY15 Fairfax County budget planning process, and made available on their web page: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hscouncil>. The committee reviewed three summary documents in advance of the meeting, in order to discuss the question: **Which concerns do you think would especially benefit this year from focused attention and informed recommendations from the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens’ Associations?**

These documents are:

- *Trends, Factors and Emerging Needs Impacting Services and Resource Allocation -- Presentations by Human Services Departments*
- *Trends, Factors and Emerging Needs Impacting Services and Resource Allocation -- by Six Result Areas*
- *Letter (March 15, 2013) of the Human Services Council to the Board of Supervisors*

Members also drew on information from May forums held in our area: state legislative and County budgetary actions reviewed at the South County Task Force for Human Services and the integrated health and human services that support successful “transitions” for children and youth, as described in the Nexus spring conference on building better “brain-ways.”

Our lively discussion emphasized several ideas:

Funding for some key strategic human services will need to increase in FY15, to halt the pattern of planned reductions in services to meet budgetary targets, without adequate understanding of their real costs present and future. This fall, members hope to identify a few services that need strategic investments, to serve more people, more effectively.

Ripe for special attention are such issues as (1) disparities in the criminal justice system—in youth contact, as well as domestic violence and human trafficking; (2) early education (with child care for working families) as the proven strategy for raising school readiness and success; (3) creating an action plan, especially in Human Services Region I (HSR I), for growing populations of older adults as well as young children; (4) planning for a healthy mix of housing for varied needs and incomes, despite declining federal dollars; (5) integrated health services (e.g. brain and heart) and transitions to health care reform.

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Broad community understanding and support are essential to building effective human services. Budget management based on reductions in services, department by department, has opened growing gaps—e.g. in both prevention services and behavioral health crisis care. HHS Committee believes that joint meetings with other MVCCA committees are needed this fall, to develop consensus/support for FY15 investments in strategic partnerships among county agencies as well as with private sector resources.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Jack Dobbyn briefed the Committee on the activity of the County's Successful Children and Youth Policy Team (SCYPT), a strategic leadership group whose membership includes representatives from the community, youth, human services programs, police, and schools. Mr. Dobbyn has been named as the Human Services Council representative.

An institutional analysis focused on the juvenile justice system was published in September 2012, providing a basis for implementing more effective practices and programs: *Disproportionate Minority Contact for African American and Hispanic Youth: The Story Behind the Numbers and the Path to Action*.

Lainge Bailey was named May 10 as a county Community Champion by the Molina corporation, for her volunteer work as coordinator of the Nexus public events on "building better brainways for children and youth." She presented to the Committee an information-filled 13-page report on the Nexus spring conference, with discussion of areas that need informed advocacy for greater resources in both CSB and schools. She recommended that, in planning our FY2014 monthly focus, we keep in mind—each month—the distinct needs of the youngest "children" as well as middle school and secondary school "youth." She reminded us that groups overlap in the 6 Human Services "Result Areas": children, youth, older adults and persons with disabilities all may be in "families" and/or among the "homeless" or populations in need of insured health care.

AGING IN PLACE

A series of "community engagement" meetings begin in our area this month (June 19, 7-9 PM, South County Center) and will continue in other areas in July, in preparation for the effort, this year, to revisit and revise the *Fifty Plus Action Plan* (2007). Fairfax County projects a dramatic increase in the population that is both aging past 55 and living longer (for four decades!). The public is invited to join in "creating a more older-adult-friendly community." For information, registration for a forum, directory of current services and much more, see <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults>.

HOUSING FIRST

John Jeszensky updated us on items of interest, reported in more detail in the electronic newsletter, *e-ffordable.org*: (1) Federal budget "sequestration" continues to have wide-ranging effects on a

number of programs, including the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program. Sequestration has forced the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA) to implement an approximately \$2.5 million reduction in Calendar Year 2013 funding for the voucher program, which required the agency to stop leasing new tenants. (2) Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services, Inc. has received The Washington Post Award for Excellence in Nonprofit Management, announced May 23, in recognition of outstanding achievement for a Washington-area nonprofit organization. GHS efforts to reduce homelessness among the working poor, elderly and persons with disabilities, by renting housing joined with effective supportive services, have been truly exemplary. (3) County issues that may require committee attention this summer include a Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Residential Studios and the outcome of the request for partnership proposals for redevelopment of North Hill.

NEXT HHS MEETING: July 9

Please note that this July 9 meeting falls on the second Tuesday, 7:30-9:30 PM at South County Center, Room A/B. HHS Committee will not meet in August. We will resume "first Tuesday" meetings on Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Nov. 5 (election day), Dec. 3, and Jan. 7 (2014) unless a change is announced on our page of the MVCCA web site. We may designate additional meetings as needed, to coordinate with other HSR I public forums and/or time-sensitive issues.

PLANNING & ZONING

The P&Z committee did not meet in June as there were no presentations. We will meet 7:30pm on Monday, July 1st at the Government Center, Parkers Lane.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations' Public Safety Committee conducted its monthly meeting on June 6th, 2013 in the Mount Vernon Government Center Community Meeting Room #1. The meeting began at 7:30 pm with the following communities being represented: Mount Zephyr, Riverside Estates, Riverside Gardens, Southwood, Stratford on the Potomac IV, and Sulgrave Manor/MVCCA Co-chair.

Guest speakers for the meeting were Division Director Steve Mason and Inspector Jack Blair from the Fairfax County Department of Code Compliance (DCC). Director Mason began the presentation with an overview of the department which was established in 2010 and is staffed by approximately 60 individuals. A portion of the DCC Mission Statement is to "provide services to protect the lives, property and environment of our community..." The goals of the DCC are safety, community and neighborhood stabilization, and code compliance all of which are used to address issues involving illegal housing, blighted property, hoarding, unpermitted construction, and other issues. Individual investigators are

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charged with conducting checks made by citizen complaints or others where there are suspected violations of zoning, building maintenance, fire, noise, or other codes which address both building and occupant safety. Investigators have certifications in various codes and other regulatory programs. The DCC works closely with other agencies such as Zoning, the Department of Environmental Services, Health Department, Office of the Fire Marshal, Office of the Sheriff, Police Department and Social Services. Complaints involving life safety issues receive priority attention.

The presentation provided photographic documentation of previous complaints which the Department of Code Compliance have investigated. Zoning issues included multiple occupancies in single-family dwellings, businesses in a residential district, inoperable vehicles, outside storage issues and prohibited signs. Property maintenance examples included inadequate emergency escape, non-existent or blocked windows and illegal bedrooms. Inspector Blair provided an overview and examples of extreme hoarding which showed the health and safety issues which can be generated by this behavior. Building code examples included non-permitted and uninspected construction. Citizen complaints can be made anonymously by calling the DCC at 703-324-1300 or one can also visit their web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/code which provides the topics covered by this presentation as well as further information and online complaint forms which can be used for reporting such instances to the agency.

The Public Safety Committee thanks Director Mason and Inspector Blair for sharing their information on the Department of Code Compliance and the work which they perform daily.

Old Business:

The Southwood representative provided an overview of his participation in the first Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department Citizen's Fire and Rescue Academy. The program was conducted over a nine-week period with the sessions being held in various department facilities. The initial session was conducted at Department Headquarters and provided information on fire department organization and administrative activities. Two sessions were held at the Fire and Rescue Academy which allowed attendees to see fire department apparatus, protective clothing, and facility training simulators. Participants were given the opportunity to don much of the protective clothing. Several sessions were held at different fire stations to provide an overview of specialty operational capabilities such as swift water rescue, hazardous materials response, fire and hazmat investigations, and a presentation on home fire safety. One of the sessions was held at the Tysons Corner facility for emergency medical training where department members receive instruction for their first aid and paramedic activities. Overall, the program was deemed to be very interesting and was recommended for others to attend. Sign up information for future sessions will be provided to committee members.

New Business:

The MVCCA Co-chair requested that members attending the meeting consider various programs, which have or could be impacted by budget cuts that have an impact on long term public safety. An example provided was how the loss of a program such as Headstart could impact children who currently are provided food, attention and helpful instruction but might become neglected if the program was lost. The MVCCA is hoping to generate ideas from this type of situation which could be utilized to further justify program funding. Further discussion on the topic will occur during future committee sessions.

Also, a request to begin the process to hold a Community Emergency Response Team – Basic class was made which the Chair will follow up on and provide information to committee members.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 11, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the Mount Vernon Government Center in Community Meeting Room #1.

TRANSPORTATION

The MVCCA Transportation Committee met on Monday, June 3, 2013 at 7:30pm in a Mt. Vernon Government Center community room. Attending were an MVCCA co-chair, the Mount Vernon Transportation and Planning Commissioners and representatives of 14 member citizen associations (Belle View Condo, Fairhaven, Hollin Hall Village, Marlan Forest, Montebello, Riverside Estates, Southwood, Stratford Landing, Stratford on the Potomac, Section IV, Tauxemont, Wessynton, Williamsburg Manor North, Woodley Park and Woodley Hills).

The minutes of the May Transportation Committee meeting as printed in The Record were approved.

The Grande at Huntington recap – In April, the MVCCA Council passed a resolution concerning this rezoning application basically in the triangular property bordered by US Route 1, Jamaica Drive and Shields Avenue, which requested that all stakeholders affected by the change in the intersection of Kings Highway, Shield Avenue and School Street be informed and that the final transportation configuration be further studied to minimize negative impacts to adjacent communities. Fairfax County Department of Transportation held a community meeting on May 15, 2013 where the ultimate median plan at the intersection of North Kings Highway and Shields Ave/School St. and three earlier options were addressed. When pressed for how folks living in the development would get to Route 1 North, VDOT indicated that folks would take a U-turn on Kings Highway near the Mount Eagle Elementary School. Similarly, U-turns were contemplated for other traffic maneuvers.

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The Transportation Chair attended the Planning Commission hearing on The Grande at Huntington and is pleased to report that Planning Commissioners approved the rezoning application that does not include a final transportation configuration as transportation experts indicated that the current signalization and road alignment will serve the development and adjacent areas well. Fairfax County staff during the planning commission hearing indicated that community involvement would occur before any final transportation reconfiguration was selected. In addition, at the Planning Commission hearing, another transportation configuration that straightens north and south Kings Highway so they are parallel to one another, while adding green space adjacent the School Street Shopping Center and the parcel currently under redevelopment and maintaining signalized intersections at The Grande entrance/exit on Shields Avenue and Kings Highway and the School Street/N. Kings Highway intersection. The Mount Vernon Planning Commissioner indicated that while the three developers in this area are proffering money for this road reconfiguration project, Fairfax County still needs to fund a vast majority of the project.

Fort Hunt Trail at the Belle Haven Country Club (BHCC) – Since 2002, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations has advocated a pedestrian trail separated from Fort Hunt Road as part of the permit process for major renovation (SEA-98-V-042). Fairfax County staff indicated to a 2007 letter to Delegate Dave Englin that the trail has not been constructed in accordance with the approved plans or Special Exception Condition. The section of the trail from Belle Haven Road to just beyond Hunting Cove Place is missing. Instead of the trail required by Item 27 of the Final Development Conditions approved by the Board of Supervisors for SEA-98-V-042, two white lines separated by 6 inches appear to be an attempt at a trail. When the Transportation Chair attended a Fairfax County public hearing for bicycle trails at the Dolley Madison library last spring, the bicycle representative that I spoke with about the Fort Hunt Road mini trail thought I was kidding when I said that what exists is what we in Mount Vernon were told was the trail.

Item 27 of the Final Development Conditions for SEA-98-V-042 requires:

A four-foot wide asphalt trail will be provided with a two foot separation from the travel lane, except where substantial fill would be required, as determined by DPWES, in which case the existing shoulder can be used or the trail can abut the existing curb. In these areas where the existing shoulder would be used for the trail, the width of the travel lanes would be reduced to 11 feet per lane, with the striping section for the whole roadway adjusted accordingly, and **the existing shoulder will be converted to a four-foot wide asphalt trail, delineated with diamond shapes and border striping and separated by two-foot painted shoulder and appropriate chevrons.**

The Final Development Conditions indicated that the trail will be separated by a two-foot painted shoulder and that the trail will be four-feet wide. The two painted lines with diagonal lines are not two foot wide. Plus, there are no diamond shapes to delineate the trail.

Over a month ago, the Transportation Chair asked Supervisor Hyland several questions regarding this trail. So far, the Supervisor's office has ignored our request for a personal meeting to discuss this issue. Why does the Final Development Condition ignore other options such as a boardwalk trail as the National Park Service has done along the George Washington Parkway? This section of the Fort Hunt Road trail is important because the Woodrow Wilson Bridge trail feeds directly to Fort Hunt Road. Thus, if all of the Fort Hunt Road trail along the BHCC was complete, bicyclist from Mount Vernon would be able to access Old Town Alexandria without having to cross the vehicle congested George Washington Parkway. In addition, Fairfax County published a bicycle trail map in 2008 that indicates that Fort Hunt Road is a preferred trail and The Washington Post recently had an illustration of a bike-to-work path across the WWB trail that fed into Fort Hunt Road. The Transportation Committee believes that this is a critical link and in the interest of safety, Supervisor Hyland should fulfill his promise in 2003 to Mount Vernon residents that the County will require the trail (in the Final Development Conditions).

Old Business

- a. The Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation has selected a consultant to conduct the long awaited study of the corridor -one that will make an important determination about the preferred mode of transportation along US Route One.
- b. **Mulligan Road** – Federal Highway Administration is scheduled to complete the Mulligan Road project in June 2014. Mulligan Road will serve as an additional connection between Rt. 1 and Telegraph Road in the area of current Old Mill Road and Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway. The endpoint of Mulligan Road at Telegraph is slated to be the newest Wegmans location in Northern Virginia.
- c. **Widening of US Route 1 near Fort Belvoir** - The road alignment and contractor have been selected, with estimated project completion in 2016. Still to be determined are a future location for the equestrian uses at Woodlawn Stables, possibly in the Lorton area, and future uses for the remaining Woodlawn Plantation parcels fronting Rt. 1 and Mt. Vernon Highway.
- d. What is the status of the transit center on US Route 1? The Mount Vernon Transportation Commissioner stated that the County has narrowed the site down to three possible locations, but they are not telling anyone what the proposed locations are.
- e. Fort Hunt Road Trail – The goat path from Quander Road to the Martha Washington Library has been graded. When finished,

this section of Fort Hunt Road will have a paved, 8-foot wide trail that will enable bikes and walkers to walk to the library. The project is slated to finish sometime this summer.

- f. Fairfax County repaving schedules – Still looking for them as Delegate Mark Sickles does not have them on his webpage as indicated.
- g. The Mount Vernon Transportation Commissioner stated that VDOT does conduct pothole repairs and VDOT is responsive when you call in a complaint. Dial 703-383-8368. This telephone number is good for potholes, broken traffic signs and referrals for other type of traffic problems.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Possible speakers – Manager at Reagan National Airport or Aviation Central Control TRACON; Eastern District FHWA re: grade at Woodlawn Plantation; New Executive Direction of Mount Vernon Estate.
- b. Electric Car Charge Stations – There is a charge station at the Walgreens on US Route 1, as well as some in other areas of Fairfax County. The Planning Commissioner asked the Committee is there was interest in regulating these charge stations. A number of committee members felt that if a business wants to install one they should be able to.
- c. US Route 1 and the Fairfax County Parkway is backing up on the Fairfax County Parkway going eastbound in the PM rush hour. Committee members think that extending the left hand turn lane may alleviate the congestion.

ADJOURN

The next Transportation Committee meeting will be on July 1, 2013 at 7:30pm in a community room at the Mt. Vernon Government Center (on Parkers Lane).

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
– STRATEGIC & LONG RANGE PLANNING –**

The Committee will meet June 24th at the Mount Vernon Government Center at 7:30 PM to discuss status of:

- North Gateway Nomination to the Comprehensive Plan
- Past Resolutions for inclusion in the tracker
- Listening Tour final report

On behalf of the committee the Chair organized an exercise with experts from the development and transportation communities to assist the County planning and transportation staff understanding the potential layout concepts related to the North Gateway Nomination. A design tool called Sketch-Up was utilized to actually build buildings and doing massing layouts as dictated by our nomination. The draft of this layout will be finalized this summer and be used to assist the County Staff in visualizing our vision for this 17.81 acre site along Rt1, Huntington Ave, and Ft Hunt Rd.

The Traffic Impact Study related to the North Gateway nomination has been sent to VDOT for technical comments and is due back to FCDOT by August 16th.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

**Wednesday, June 26th, 8:00 p.m.
South County Center, Room 221
8350 Richmond Highway**

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—July 11, 7:30 pm, MVGC Supvrs Conf Rm

Comm	Date	Time	Place	Chair
BUDG	7/3	7:30	MVGC	D. Voorhees
COAF	6/25	7:30	MVGC	Cox
EDUC	TBD			Harbeck
E&R	7/3	7:00	MVGC/Rm. 3	Martin
HHS	7/9	7:30	SCC-Rm. 221 A/B	Cleveland
PL/Z	7/1	7:30	MVGC/CommRm	TBD
PSAF	7/11	7:30	MVGC/CommRm1	Sherick
TRAN	7/1	7:30	MVGC/CommRm	Voorhees
SLRP	6/24	7:30	MVGC	Ward

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