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Council
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Associations

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MVCCA COUNCIL MEETING

December 18, 2013 8:00 p.m.
Walt Whitman Middle School Lecture Hall

PRESIDING: Co-chairs Chris Low and Jim Davis..
ATTENDING: Co-chairs Jim Davis, Chris Low.
Committee Chairs: Louise Cleveland, Queenie Cox, Judy Harbec, Betsy Martin, Dean Sherick, Catherine Voorhees, David Voorhees; SCLRSP chair Katherine Ward; SFDC/FCFCA Rep Karen Pohorylo, Co-chair elect Ron Fitzsimmons.
Treasurer Trish Gowland; Secretary Carol Coyle.
Representatives from Belle View Condos, Collingwood on the Potomac, Engleside, Hollin Glen, Hollin Hall Village, Mount Vernon Manor, New Gum Springs, Newington Forest, Riverside Estates, Wellington, Wellington Heights, Wessynton, Westgrove, Williamsburg Manor North.

MINUTES – Approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Accepted.

SUPERVISOR’S TIME

Old Mill Road was renamed Jeff Todd Way on what would have been his 52nd birthday.
 Re: car title lenders, Gerry has asked the County Attorney if we have the authority to control these.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members will vote to ratify the 2014 co-chair appointments at the January Council meeting on January 22.



The **2014 MVCCA Membership Form** is available at <http://www.mvcca.org/join.htm>.



The **MVCCA Gala** will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2014 at the Fort Belvoir Golf Club from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

The MVCCA will be honoring for the year its selected Citizen, Organization, and Student(s) from the Mount Vernon Magisterial District.

The deadline date for submitting student nominees to the appropriate high school career specialist was January 10, 2014. To submit nominees for the Citizen and Organization of the Year, click the links below.

Citizen of the Year: <http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/0Q2bbXa9qbbvkCi1g>

Organization of the Year: <http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/dE7o0W58e23rkb3d1R897>

After filling out the form, use the “Submit” button to send the form to MVCCA. **Deadline for submitting Citizen and/or Organization of the Year forms is 05 March 2014.** For more information, please visit www.mvcca.org.

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Huntington development needs more parking; they will add another level.

Transportation improvements – see the list on the County website. VSE SEA – there are divergent views on this proposal throughout the MVMD; associations need to get together on this.

Naming of Williamsburg Manor Park to John Byers Memorial Park was done at Gerry's request; discussion of how this was done without adequate input from the affected neighborhoods. Gerry only asked; Park Authority has the authority to do it.

North Hill – there are two applications; decision should be made early next year.

Horses from Woodlawn – Woodlawn does not want to extend the lease; there is discussion of an Equestrian Center at Laurel Hill.

Status of resolutions:

He forwards them to the BoS.

Monopole resolution was forwarded to the County Attorney.

Special exceptions process; BoS has the legal authority to change the rules; however, FCC is looking at restricting our ability to do this; Congress will probably extend the ability. Alexandria, Arlington, Loudon, Prince William all have these requirements.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion to declare the KEEP THE NAME WILLIAMSBURG MANOR PARK Resolution an emergency

Motion defeated 2-10.

The resolution has been referred to E&R for consideration.

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RESOLUTION ON CAR TITLE LENDERS

To request a moratorium on these lenders and support a bill to give localities the authority to regulate them

Approved 15-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance – No meeting. Next 1/8/14.

Consumer Affairs – No meeting. Next 1/7/14 telecon.

GALA April 26, Fort Belvoir Golf Club. School nominations due 1/10/14.

Education – Next 1/6/14. Meals tax resolution.

Environment and Recreation – See The Record. Next 1/8.

Lorton landfill.

Health and Human Services– See The Record. Next 1/7/14.

South County Task Force.

Planning and Zoning – See The Record. Next 1/6/14. Conrad Meehan ESI

Public Safety – See The Record. CERT training, afternoon or evenings in Feb and Mar – let Dean know which is preferred. Next 1/2/14.

Transportation – See The Record. Next 1/6/14.

SFDC – First Business Roundtable has been scheduled.

FCFCA – Need a new representative.

— Carol Coyle, Secretary

MVCCA “Thanks”

There are a few additions to the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations (MVCCA) “Thanks” list that did not make it last month. Thank you to:

Consumer Affairs: Rose Dupont (Mount Zephyr)

Strategic Planning: Frank Cihak, Ellen Young, Brian Elson, Martin Tillet, Neal McBride, Frank Cohn, and Robert Witajewski

The oversight and omission were inadvertent.

Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc.				
Treasurer's Report				
January 1-December 31, 2013				
Balance Available January 1, 2013	\$ 9,948.65			
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Variance
	Monthly	YTD		
Receipts				
Donations	\$0.00	\$1,199.00	\$0.00	\$1,199.00
Dues-Current Members	\$0.00	\$2,940.00	\$3,500.00	(\$560.00)
Dues-New members	\$0.00	\$54.00	\$0.00	\$54.00
Gala Income	\$0.00	\$4,222.00	\$4,000.00	\$222.00
MM Interest Income	\$0.21	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$0.00
Total Receipts		\$8,417.50	\$7,502.50	\$915.00
Disbursements				
Administrative Exp	\$0.00	\$305.32	\$400.00	\$94.68
Gala Expenses	\$0.00	\$4,157.69	\$3,300.00	(\$857.69)
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	\$1,495.00	\$1,900.00	\$405.00
Student of the Year Stipends/Awards	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$300.00
Web Site	\$0.00	\$251.64	\$300.00	\$48.36
Total Disbursements		\$7,486.65	\$7,502.50	\$15.85
Balance Available December 31, 2013				
Wells Fargo Checking	\$ 3,870.27			
Burke and Herbert Checking	\$ 2,000.00			
Wells Fargo Money Market	\$ 5,009.23			
Total Funds Available	\$ 10,879.50			

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BUDGET AND FINANCE

Minutes of the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 7:30 pm
Walt Whitman Middle School

Present: David Voorhees (Committee Chair), Jim Davis (MVCCA Co-Chair) Hollin Hall Village, Huntington, Southwood, Williamsburg Manor, Wellington Civic.

Doug Jones of the Mt. Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce attended our meeting. Mr. Jones provided the committee with a brochure identifying the Chamber's legislative agenda and the discussion covered the meals tax, BPOL taxes, car title loan establishments, the Lorton landfill, Metro on Route 1, Residential Studio Units and Fairfax County School funding.

The committee also discussed campaign financing in Virginia and discussed drafting a resolution on campaign finance and considered Virginia Code Section 30-103 which covers prohibited conduct by legislators which specifically excludes criminal penalties for accepting a gift from a person who has interests that may be substantially affected by the performance of the legislator's official duties under circumstances where the timing and nature of the gift would cause a reasonable person to question the legislator's impartiality in the matter affecting the donor.

Among the topics for discussion at the next meeting will be the FCPS Superintendent's proposed \$2.5 billion budget and also the HHS Resolution "Countywide Policy for Affordable Housing Contributions" and the HHS Resolution and the 2-page document that presents the proposed policy concept will be posted on the MVCCA P&Z website.

The next scheduled meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee will be February 5, 2014 at 7:30 pm at the Walt Whitman Middle School.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

The COAF Committee Chair inadvertently omitted a dedicated representative from the MVCCA Thanks page in the December 2013 MVCCA newsletter, the Record. Rose Dupont (Mount Zephyr) should be duly recognized as a regular participant for Consumer Affairs meetings during 2013. The COAF Committee Chair apologize for the oversight and omission.

Consumer Affairs held a teleconference meeting on Tuesday, January 7th at 7:30 p.m. Topic: SERVPRO.

We heard a presentation by Ali Sims, Marketing Representative for SERVPRO of Rose Hill/Huntington/Fort Hunt. SERVPRO is a restoration company provides franchise services. Ali provided information about home damage due to water, fire and mold.

Water – this is the season for water damage caused by burst pipes and melting snow. For preventative measures you should disconnect outside hoses and drain pipes and protect external outside pipes.

Fire – have smoke detectors on each level of the house and tested.

- Space heater, you should check to make sure the product has not been recalled; use an electric heater with a timer or auto shut off. Use for a limited time and do not leave on at night. Do not use an extension cord or use in the bathroom.
- Fireplaces – have your chimney and stove pip checked regularly. Keep holiday decorations off the mantel. Build small fires and not larger one. Never leave unattended.
- Kitchen fires – most caused by grease items. Keep a fire extinguisher near the kitchen.

Mold – thrive in a warm environment at least 60 degrees. If you see condensation it's a sign of potential mold growth. You should contact a professional if mold is detected to remove and test the air. SERVPRO suggested Inlogix Mold to discuss mold concerns with David Young on 703-218-2870. However, you can remove small amounts of mold on hard surfaces by mixing 1-cup of bleach to 1-gallon of water. Be careful because this mixture may cause discoloration of the surface.

For more detailed information about the services provided by SERVPRO, contact Ali Sims at 703-567-4599 or ali.servpro10052@gmail.com. Website: www.servprorosehillhuntingtonforhunt.com

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4th at 7:30 p.m.

EDUCATION

The Education Committee met at 8pm on January 8, 2014, in the library of Whitman Middle School.

Collingwood Springs was present as was Co-chair Ron Fitzsimmons. A community member from the Fort Hunt Elementary School area also attended.

Due to lack of quorum, the meals tax resolution was tabled to February.

Individuals present briefly discussed some ongoing and current issues including the budget and the likelihood that class size increases will be included, but that even so any small salary increase for teachers will neither offset the increased workload nor restore competitive salary position parity, leading to the loss of more teachers to surrounding jurisdictions. The Superintendent's proposed budget, which was released after the meeting, in fact

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included class size increases and a very minimal raise for teachers, as well as significant staff layoffs.

The issue of administrative and staff turnover in our area, which has been an ongoing problem, was discussed and may be the subject of a future meeting.

Also mentioned was the possibility of boundary changes in our area to address overcrowding and student population imbalances among schools.

Next meeting: 8pm, February 5, 2014, Whitman Middle School library

ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

The committee met 8 January 2014, at 7 p.m. in room 3, Mount Vernon Government Center. Attending were Betsy Martin (chair), Chris Low (MVCCA Co-Chair), Belle View Condominium, Collingwood-on-the-Potomac, Engleside, Fair Haven, Hollin Hall Village, Hollin Hills, Huntington, Newington Forest, Pavilions at Huntington Metro, Southwood, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Waynewood, Wellington Heights, Wessynton, Westgrove, Williamsburg Manor, Williamsburg Manor North. Also attending were South County Federation representatives Martin Rizer, Larry Clark, and Bill Lynch, and EnviroSolutions (ESI) representatives Conrad Mehan and Frank McDermott.

Environmental Quality Advisory Committee (EQAC) annual report and public hearing. Larry Zaragoza (Wessynton representative and EQAC co-chair) announced a public hearing on EQAC's final report on Monday Jan. 13 at 7:30 p.m. He urged E&R committee members to attend and to testify, in order to provide input to EQAC on their environmental concerns, and to keep the South County Center (room 221A) available for remote testimony by Mount Vernon residents. To sign up to testify, email egac@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-324-1380.

Request for Special Exception Amendment (SEA) for Lorton Construction Demolition Debris (CDD) Landfill. The committee heard a presentation from South County Federation (SCF), an association of 34 homeowner associations, explaining why they oppose an SEA to expand the size and life of the Lorton CDD landfill. Many residents object to the view of the landfill from adjacent neighborhoods, the 394 trucks per day using Furnace Road, mud and debris (e.g. nails that puncture tires) left on the road, and believe the truck traffic and landfill are a drag on revitalization of the Lorton area. They point to recent redevelopment in the Lorton area and do not want to extend Lorton's industrial past. They object to extending the life of the landfill for 22 years solely to benefit a private company, and charge that ESI broke three promises in SEA-1 approved in 2007: closure of the landfill in 2018, interim-use trails on the hillside and Overlook Ridge Park on top, and phased landscaping and plantings. They fear the proposed

Green Energy Park may likewise be an unfulfilled promise. They want full compliance with SEA-1, and ask MVCCA to support them in opposing SEA-2.

They reject ESI's claim that if the landfill closes and ESI builds a recycling center across the street truck traffic will double. They argue that contractors go out of their way to dispose at a landfill because it is cheaper, rather than a recycling/transfer station, and that ESI is currently attracting trucks from out-of-state. They believe that recycling/transfer centers serve local areas, and expect that closure of the landfill will reduce the number of trucks hauling CDD from out of state.

They questioned whether the proposed Green Energy Park would actually be environmentally friendly, noting that recycling is the green way to handle construction waste, and, according to Mr. Lynch, may not be more expensive. The methane that is generated by a landfill is 20 times more potent than carbon dioxide as a greenhouse gas. They claim that only three materials (asbestos, pressure treated lumber, and painted drywall) cannot be recycled, and that only 1% of the construction debris stream must go to a landfill. Much of it should instead be burned in a cogeneration facility (such as Covanta).

They also questioned the long-term stability of a very tall (approx. 70') wall/berm with a steep slope that will surround the perimeter of the landfill, noting that a landfill is forever but a retaining wall is not.

EnviroSolutions representatives responded by noting that the view from the Lorton Arts Foundation (LAF) is not their landfill, but the county's ash landfill, which has just been extended until 2042 with no objection from the SCF. They noted that part of this project would take LAF off the grid, by supplying methane to generate electricity, arguing that the SEA is not solely to ESI's benefit, but will also provide cash and other important benefits, and many local communities support their request. They disagree that they have failed to meet the three major SEA-1 conditions, noting that if they don't fulfill the SEA-1 conditions they can be shut down, and that the county did not issue a violation on the landscaping plan. They don't appreciate being accused of using a loophole to get out of their public use agreement with the Park Authority, and said that in closed session the Board of Supervisors determined that ESI is not responsible for this situation. There is a need for a landfill for CDD, which Covanta cannot accept, they said. They said that the landscaping cannot be done by filling then planting trees, shrubs, 10' of elevation at a time, as SCF wanted, because of the requirements that the landfill settle, etc., and noted that there are 1800 more trees in the new landscaping plan than in the old SEA, and these will be native trees more hardy under the windy conditions of the landfill. They said they had learned lessons from the failure of earlier plantings due to deer etc. The big berm will be constructed differently from a retaining wall as SCF supposes, with a failure plane downslope that accepts pressure from the fill against the berm.

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E&R members raised the following questions (in italics), observations, and concerns, grouped by topic:

Violation of SEA-1 conditions. A member reported her understanding that, until a developer requests a final inspection, no violations would be recorded. ESI has not requested a final inspection, hence would not have received a notice, she believes.

Public use agreement with the Park Authority (FCPA); liability and indemnification. *Why FCPA did pull out of the deal and decide not to accept ownership of the land?* Mr. McDermott recounted learning there was a problem in March 2009, and that FCPA's decision was on advice of the county attorney. After the FCPA's refusal, he invited the BOS to accept the land, and was told that if the county attorney advises the FCPA not to accept it, the BOS wouldn't either. *If the refusal of FCPA to accept dedication of the land was a dealbreaker, why did ESI sign the public use agreement?* Mr. McDermott replied the agreement needed to be signed to get the site plan approved. Their issue was indemnification of ESI, and he added an escape clause to the public use agreement to allow ESI to refuse public access. *Why is public use agreement provision 11 (b), which holds Furnace/ESI harmless, insufficient to address ESI's concern?* Because the Virginia law cited in that provision limits the extent to which FCPA can indemnify Furnace, said Mr. McDermott. Mr. Mehan noted that ESI cannot be assured that they could purchase liability insurance in the future. Because the liability of a landfill extends forever, and if the area became a public park and ESI owned it, ESI would be responsible for liability arising from the public use forever. A member noted that insurance is never for more than a year at a time—it's renewed annually.

Green energy benefits. *How did ESI calculate that this would enable LAF to go off the grid?* This is enabled by methane gas, piped to a facility across the street, said Mr. Mehan. *Would ESI release its background analysis and calculations for its estimates? Specifically—*

- *Number of trucks per day (394) and their traffic routes - How were they measured?*
- *Why would the number double if you went to recycling?*
- *Gallons of diesel used and the calculations that convert that to tons of CO2 equivalent.*
- *How did you measure or calculate the methane to generate 2M KWH?*
- *50% of the revenue from the wind turbines returned to the county - What would the prospective revenue generation be and how was it calculated?*

Mr. McDermott said this information would be misused by SCF, but a member rejected this, saying that such supporting information should always be made available for inspection by those being asked to accept the estimates. Mr. Mehan agreed to provide background information. Larry Zaragoza, Vice Chair of EQAC, noted that ESI's Green Energy Park had not been endorsed by EQAC, as had been claimed in some materials sent out; EQAC

reviewed some aspects of the project but they did not take a position on the proposal E&R is reviewing.

If the permit to continue operating the landfill were denied, ESI could switch to operating a recycling/transfer operation across the street and ESI reported that truck traffic would actually increase.

Birds and Bats. *Is this a good location for wind turbines?—want to make sure there's wildlife protection.* Mr. Mehan noted the addition of a development condition to address this, but a member with expertise in this area said that post-construction monitoring should be done by professionals, not by volunteers as called for by Condition 51. If the energy park development were to proceed, he advised installing only one turbine initially, and if monitoring shows no adverse effects, then scaling up to three or more. There should be operational curtailment if the post-construction monitoring finds significant bird or bat mortality. All post-construction monitoring data should be made publically available.

Trust. Several members noted that a key problem is a lack of trust between the various parties in this dispute, and that they heard room for negotiation and agreement in the competing claims and accusations.

Need for CDD landfill. *Where would CDD go if this landfill was closed?* Mr. Lynch claimed there are nearby landfills, such as Ritchie Landfill across the river in Marlboro Heights MD. A member noted that there is a need for a CDD landfill even if most CDD could be recycled, and that closing this landfill will impede revitalization of our area because construction companies would lack space for debris disposal.

Renaming of Williamsburg Manor Park. Should Williamsburg Manor Park be renamed to honor John Byers, former Planning Commissioner (now deceased)? The committee heard brief presentations from representatives of Williamsburg Manor North and Williamsburg Manor neighborhoods. (The former is currently a member of MVCCA, while the latter is not.) John Byer lived in Williamsburg Manor North, and they support renaming the park in his honor. Williamsburg Manor does not, however, because the name connects the neighborhoods to the park, and has been the name for 50 years. A poll of about 70 Williamsburg Manor residents found all but two opposed to renaming. The committee debated, amended, and passed (13 in favor, 2 opposed) a resolution asking that the name of Williamsburg Manor be restored. Suggestions for honoring John Byers were offered: adding a dedication to John Byers to the Williamsburg Manor Park sign, or naming an unnamed park in Laurel Hill after him. The latter seems apt since he was instrumental in preserving Laurel Hill.

Next meeting is 5 February, 7 p.m., room 3, Mount Vernon Government Center. Topic: to be announced.

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

On Tuesday, January 7—despite the ‘polar vortex’—the MVCCA Health and Human Services Committee met at the South County Center to focus on reports, issues, and proposed policies and actions that may impact the availability of affordable and workforce housing, countywide and in the Richmond Highway Corridor.

Discussion focused on progress in 2013 and strategies available in 2014 toward Housing Blueprint goals (preventing and ending homelessness, serving “greatest need” esp. for those with severe disabilities, and expanding opportunity for working households to obtain housing affordable at a range of incomes from very low to Area Median Income (AMI) levels.

One Resolution was approved, unanimously, to be presented for MVCCA General Council consideration in January: “Countywide Policy for Affordable Housing Contributions.” (Note: By action of the MVCCA Executive Board, Jan. 9, this HHS Resolution will be forwarded, instead, for consideration of the Budget and Finance and the Planning and Zoning Committees at their February meetings.)

The following nine MVCCA members were represented at the meeting: Collingwood on Potomac, Hollin Glen, Hollin Hills, Newington Forest, Stratford Landing, Stratford on Potomac IV, Sulgrave Manor, Wessynton and Wellington. MVCCA Co-chair Ron Fitzsimmons served as liaison for the General Council. HHS Committee Chair Louise Cleveland and meeting Moderator John Jeszenszky welcomed MVCCA Planning & Zoning Committee Chair Karen Pohorylo, our three invited panelists (identified below), representatives from our outstanding local nonprofit organizations New Hope Housing and Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services, and a representative of developer AHP Virginia, LLC. In all, 17 persons participated in this highly informative meeting.

COUNTY HOUSING BLUEPRINT

Moderator Jeszenszky called the Committee’s attention to highlights from the report of Thomas Barnett, Program Manager of the FC Office to Prevent and End Homelessness (OPEH), circulated to the Committee via e-mail and with the Agenda packet: since 2007, a 26% reduction in people counted as homeless (including those in temporary shelters); in FY 2013, a total of 754 people moved into permanent housing from shelters for families with children and single adults; so far in FY 2014, progress despite negative impacts of federal sequestration on local housing programs; and more. Regarding the ongoing public consideration of a proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment to include and define Residential Studio Units, the Committee was directed to the Planning Commission’s RSU web page, with a link to the latest proposed changes in wording (added Jan. 6), dates for public comment now extended into March, and a Resources list that links valuable planning studies such as George Mason University’s Center for Regional Analysis, *Housing the Region’s Future Workforce* (Dec. 2013): <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning/rsu.htm>

The HHS Committee, as reported in September 2013, has approved a “template” Resolution for MVCCA approval of a County ZOA to permit RSUs, provided they are limited to placement near Major Thoroughfares with public transit. Rather than publish this prematurely for General Council consideration, we continue to offer it to other MVCCA Committees for ‘adaptive re-use’ as they consider particulars of the proposed (and still evolving) ZOA.

Fairfax County Dept. of Housing and Community Development Director John Payne reported on the status of other matters re County’s Housing Blueprint. HCD has a large role. It manages both County housing properties and federally funded vouchers that subsidize eligible households in obtaining privately owned and managed housing. HCD also serves as staff for the *Redevelopment and Housing Authority*. *RHA Chair Elizabeth Lardner*, who is also our appointed Mount Vernon RHA representative, points out that federal budget cutting and sequestration impact are reducing HCD staff as well as program funding. HCD and RHA seek strategies to serve existing households on vouchers with fewer dollars as well as to finance renovation and expansion of needed housing.

Years of countywide collaboration among citizen advocates, private and nonprofit developers, human services professionals, faith communities and others undergird BOS adoption of both a ten-year implementation plan to prevent and end homelessness and the four-goal Housing Blueprint. Yet Payne reports that the Blueprint is “under revision,” and plans for completing FY14 goals as well as identifying FY15 opportunities are not yet agreed. A funding matrix for joining housing opportunities with available supportive services, even where most needed, is elusive.

North Hill: Meanwhile, to renovate and expand housing in existing sites, with little funding, the County is exploring public-private partnerships. A PPEA proposal to revitalize Lake Anne Village (in Reston) and expand Crescent Apartments from 180 to 900 units is underway. North Hill PPEA proposals submitted last summer also offer more units of housing, at lower County expense, than the current by-right plan for addition of 67 manufactured homes. The North Hill PPEA proposals are under examination by a multi-departmental Selection Advisory Team with strict legal “non-disclosure” rules, but Payne assures that when this step is completed there will be full public review. However, a year’s delay seems likely, since both county Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance changes would be required. Murraygate, further south in the Richmond Highway Corridor, is another place where extensive renovation is needed and may benefit from private partnership. Payne provided a handout on additional AWH development activity countywide.

SFDC PERSPECTIVE

Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation Executive Director Edythe Kelleher impressed the committee with her tracking of the residential development proposals on the Richmond Highway that have proffered units under the Affordable Dwelling Unit and/or the

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Affordable Workforce Housing policies in the County 'Comp' Plan. Using information from the County web site's land use "land development system" data base, she explained proffers for Penn Daw redevelopment, the Grande at Huntington, and the Beacon at Groveton: each proposal details what is required for residential development in a mixed use Commercial Revitalization area.

It is clear that residential developers are aware that special exceptions that require rezoning (and provide increased density etc.) carry an expectation that some level of affordable workforce housing will be proffered.

The fact that non-residential commercial development that is seeking "special exception" and higher density does NOT come under that same expectation raises the issue of equity among developers. Furthermore, many studies point to the anticipated disparity between the growth in jobs that pay less 80% AMI and the availability of nearby housing for this workforce, contributing to transportation headaches.

RESOLUTION ON COMMERCIAL DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

The committee received a 2-page document, "Countywide Policy for Affordable Housing Contributions by Non-Residential Developments: Concept for Consideration," submitted by the Special Subcommittee to the September meeting of the County's Affordable Housing Advisory Committee. This proposed policy concept, intended for inclusion in the Comprehensive Plan (Policy Section), outlines an "expectation" that non-residential developments in mixed use centers will make a proffered cash contribution for affordable and workforce housing to the County's Housing Trust Fund. It is anticipated that this policy concept will go before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in this first quarter of 2014. The policy proposal is available through the e-ffordable.org newsletter site, see Advisory Committee—September 2013 Agenda:

<http://e-ffordable.org/documents/09-27-13%20-%20AHAC%20Meeting/AH%20Contributions%20by%20Non-Residential%20Developments%20Policy.pdf>

HHS Committee considered and approved, unanimously, a resolution for General Council consideration in January that would assure that revenue from this policy, if adopted, would go into the Housing Trust Fund for affordable and workforce housing, rather than be diverted into general capital or operational spending.

MOUNT VERNON VISIONING—NEXT STEPS?

Finally, the Committee received a brief summary (via excerpts) of recommendations of the Mount Vernon Visioning Task Force, re Housing and Community Development, March 13, 2011. Members asked to review the report, with the aim of selecting the most important recommendation on which to consider action at the next meeting. The full Visioning Report is available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/. (In the 173-page PDF, see the Housing & Community Development section, pages 78-99.)

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Important opportunities for individual and community engagement in the health and human services policies and practice that impact availability, quality and access to services in our southeastern FC area occur in February and March. Please mark your calendar now and plan to participate.

Friday, Jan. 17 FC Affordable Housing Advisory Committee meets 9:30 AM, FC Government Center, Room 120C.

Tuesday, Feb. 4 MVCCA HHS Committee meets 7:30 PM, South County Center Room 221 A/B with focus on Housing and Community Development recommendations of the Mount Vernon Visioning Task Force.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 South County Task Force for Human Services meets 1 PM, South County Center, with Deputy County Exec. for Human Services Patricia Harrison and others, for overview/documents re the County Executive's *FC Advertised Budget Plan for FY 2015* and beyond. *NOTE: Chair and members of MVCCA HHS Committee able to participate will do so, in preparation for our March meetings to draft a Resolution (for the March 26 MVCCA General Council) with recommendations re "FC Human Services Planning for FY 2015."*

Saturday, March 1 MVCCA HHS Committee AD HOC workshop team meets to review the *FC Advertised FY15 Budget Plan*, time and venue t/b/d.

Tuesday, March 4 MVCCA HHS Committee meets, 7:30 PM, South County Center, to consider and vote on a response—from perspective of impacts on essential health and human services—with specific recommendations for BOS consideration during the public review of the proposed *Plan* and adoption of the *FY15 Budget Plan*.

PLANNING & ZONING

Planning & Zoning Minutes January 6, 2014

This was a joint meeting with the Transportation Committee.

Member Attendance: Huntington, Ray Novitske; Collingwood Springs, Alix Kauf; Belle View Condos, Heidi Burkhardt; Williamsburg Manor North, Jay Whitton; Hollin Hall, Don Martin; Wellington, R. Johnson; Hollin Hills, Burt Kronstedt; Sulgrave Manor, Jim Davis; Wessington, Ron Fitzsimmons; Huntington Club, John Joyce; Riverside Estates, Daniel Wiechert; Potomac Valley/River Bend, Bruce Bade; Collingwood on the Potomac, Bill Cleveland; Wellington Heights, Eleanor Quigley; Hollin Hall Village, Don Martin; Newington Forest, Neal McBride

Guests: South County Federation, Gloria Banister, Martin Rizer, Larry Clark; Wildwood, Riley Jacobs; Huntington Club, Jana Lee Spinberg; Furnace Associates, Conrad Mehan; Elaine Cox, Hunton & Williams; Frank McDermet, Bill Lynch, Shirley Acres CA, Marty Schirmacher; Lorton Valley, Mel Gatlacia; David Dale

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Furnace Associates, Inc., SEA 80-L/V-061-2

Furnace Associates, Inc., (EnviroSolutions/Lorton Landfill SEA 80-L/V-061-2), came for a second time, (see Oct. 7 minutes). New developments include two 2232 applications filed with the county due to two of the four renewable energy infrastructures, specifically the solar panels and wind turbines, are considered a public utility and require a 2232 review and approval.

Application 2232-V13-18 is available on the P&Z webpage; application 2232-V13-17 is not yet available. Staff analysis of 2232-V13-18 requires a Section 106 review by the Historic Registry due to the proposed applications visual impact on one of two National Register of Historic Places, Historic Districts that are in the vicinity of the applicants' property. The applicant has filed for the 106 Review.

Staffs conclusion and recommendation find the subject application 2232-V13-18 is in line with the current adopted Comprehensive Plan.

The P&Z chair is speaking with county staff as to the status of a staff report for ESI's application, as well as for the second 2232 filed. The Planning Commission hearing for this application has been deferred from February 5, 2014 to a date that has not yet been determined.

South County Federation

The South County Federation, (SCF), presented their reasons for opposing ESI's application. The presentation can be viewed at: southcountyfederation.com. Click on the link at the bottom of the home page.

SCF would like to see the Lorton Landfill closed in 2018 as stated in the current Special Exception, (SE) Application. SCF does not take issue with the alternate proposal of a recycling sorting facility, should the ESI Green Energy Park application not be approved.

Newington Forest

Neal McBride from Newington Forest presented the committee with a resolution of do not oppose for the ESI Application. The resolution is being considered by the committee for adoption. Neal also presented a petition of support for ESI's application. The petition includes signatures of 41, (at the time of presentation), HOA'S and CA's within the South County area. The presentation also included a list of benefits for the surrounding area and county pending the approval of ESI's application.

All letters of support and opposition, as well as the petition can be viewed in a special section at the top of the P&Z webpage.

Next Meeting: February 3, 2014, Walt Whitman Intermediate in the Jack Knowles Auditorium at 7:30PM.

**Agenda: - Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Project; County Staff and the Alexander Company
- Committee Review of HHS Resolution to Adopt the Countywide Policy for Affordable Housing Contribution, as Adopted in Tyson's Corner. HHS Resolution and policy will be posted on the P&Z webpage for review.**

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations' Public Safety Committee conducted its monthly meeting on January 2nd, 2014 in the Mount Vernon Government Center Community Meeting Room #3. The meeting began at 7:30 pm with the following communities being represented: Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hills, Riverside Estates, Southwood, Stratford on the Potomac IV, and Waynewood.

A listing and overview of public safety legislative items from Fairfax County for the 2014 Virginia General Assembly were discussed. There are a variety of different bills which have been submitted from other representatives for this year's General Assembly relating to public safety topics including: concealed handguns, firearms purchases by non-residents, mental health and the criminal justice system, staffing levels in correctional facilities, and hunting. The General Assembly begins on January 8th, 2014.

A variety of different training opportunities are being provided for individuals interested in the Community Emergency Response Team program. A Basic class is being offered at the Mount Vernon Government Center starting on February 3 – March 31 from 7 – 9:30 pm. Individuals who have already completed the Basic class are encouraged to register for continuing education classes on topics such as incident command, hazardous materials awareness, first aid, CPR and AED, and handling animals during disaster events. Interested persons can sign up for this valuable training at www.fairfaxcert.com.

Other discussion during the meeting included topics which the attending members would like to see addressed during future meetings this year. Recommended subjects included: presentations from the police crime scene technicians and helicopter unit, a joint meeting with the Environmental & Recreation and Health and Human Services Committees on current deer herd management, Fairfax County budget items pertaining to public safety for the next fiscal year and additional information pertaining to emergency preparedness.

Under the heading of New Business, the chair advised the committee of becoming ineligible to hold the position due to upcoming employment with Fairfax County. A brief job description will be provided to all members of the committee by e-mail for their review and possible interest in filling the position. Also, the practice of

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mailing committee meeting announcements will be discontinued as it was seen as a duplication of the regular email announcement. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 7:30 pm in the Mount Vernon Government Center in Community Meeting Room #3.

TRANSPORTATION

The MVCCA Transportation Committee met on Monday, January 6, 2014 at 7:30pm in the library of the Walt Whitman Middle School. After a short session in the library, we joined the Planning & Zoning Committee in the Jack Knowles Lecture Hall to listen to several presentations concerning issues surrounding the ESI Special Exception Applications for extending the Lorton Landfill. Attending were the Mount Vernon Transportation Commissioner, MVCCA co-chair and representatives of 12 citizen associations (The Fairfax, Hollin Hall Village, Montebello, Mount Zephyr, Riverside Gardens, Southwood, Tauxemont, Waynewood, Westgrove, Wellington and Woodland Park).

Furnace Associates or EnviroSolutions (ESI) has been operating under a Special Exception Agreement on Furnace Road in Lorton that allowed the landfill for construction debris to enlarge its height but, the Agreement called for closure of the landfill at the end of 2018. The Transportation Committee's concern is traffic and in particular, truck traffic to and from the dump facility.

Conrad Mehan of Furnace Associates made the presentation of the Renewable Energy Park that would be provided on the landfill, if the landfill extension is agreed to.

The separation plant project will also include a green energy farm to generate electricity via Solar Panels, Windmills and Biomass (methane). The green energy electricity is to provide electricity for The Lorton Workhouse Building. According to Conrad Meehan, they believe that an average of 750 trucks daily up to 1100 trucks in the peak construction season could enter any way the driver chooses. And it is the driver that chooses the route that is the most efficient. When asked, if narrow roads were considered efficient, Conrad simply answered that the trucks have to go from point A to point B. There really was not a convincing reason why the Recycling Center, if the landfill is closed, would not use the southern route that was designed for their facility and to keep the large landfill trucks out of neighborhood streets.

Since Fairfax County requires the current landfill operations to accept input (construction debris) via trucks from the south, which is acceptable to surrounding public, it is unclear why Fairfax County would not hold for safety reasons that the large number of projected trucks must use the southern route. Further, it is unclear

why Furnace Associates does not want to be a good neighbor and voluntarily maintain the southern route operation.

Evidently, the contractor could not make a profit with its recycling facility if these restrictions were in place. But, how does the contractor cope with bringing the same material via the southern route today?

The local neighbors are unsure what truck traffic will materialize with the new recycling facility. According to an observer, it appears that 60% of the trucks are coming from Maryland or the District (thus, they would use the southern route, if they chose this recycling facility). Others are concerned with large trucks on their connector streets, e.g, the Fairfax County Parkway, Lorton Road, Silverbrook Road, etc. It is unclear why the recycling facility is acceptable to ESI if the trucks can come in from the north, but is not okay if the trucks are required to come in from the south. Public safety and commonsense dictate that large trucks should not mix with neighborhood traffic.

There are a number of reports that still have not been made public so Planning and Zoning deferred action until February 2014.

Adjourned

The next Transportation Committee meeting will be on February 3, 2014 at 7:30pm in the library of the Walt Whitman Middle School.

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Meeting minutes not available.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON — STRATEGIC & LONG RANGE PLANNING —

The committee did not meet last month.

Committee Resolutions

ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

E&R-2014-01: RESOLUTION TO KEEP WILLIAMSBURG MANOR PARK'S NAME

1. WHEREAS, Williamsburg Manor Park has been named Williamsburg Manor Park for over 50 years and is located between Williamsburg Manor, Williamsburg Manor North, and Briary Farms on one side of Collingwood Road and Hollin Hall Village on the other side;
2. WHEREAS, the name Williamsburg Manor Park identifies its locality and two of the communities its serves;
3. WHEREAS, Williamsburg Manor residents take pride in the park that bears their name and regularly pick up trash and maintain the park and a Hollin Hall Village resident requested that the park sign be erected and the playground equipment be updated in 1998;
4. WHEREAS, the Fairfax County Park Authority Policy Manual, Policy 104 "strongly discourages renaming of parks" "to respect the historical tradition, community values and lessen confusion";
5. WHEREAS, Policy 104 states that "Existing park ... names shall not be subject to change unless, after a thorough investigation and review the proposed name is found more appropriate than the existing name and does not diminish the original name or discount the value of prior contributors";

6. WHEREAS, Williamsburg Manor North residents support renaming Williamsburg Manor Park, but almost all of Williamsburg Manor residents of the 72 contacted oppose it; and
7. WHEREAS, John Byers' civic contribution to the Mount Vernon District is significant; a portion of a roadway, an unnamed park, or a plaque in one of the Mount Vernon Government Center's community rooms could honor his work, as well as others' work, in a Wall of Honor and would be more appropriate than renaming a 50-year old park established by Williamsburg Manor.
 - A. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Supervisor Hyland request that the Fairfax County Park Authority restore the name of Williamsburg Manor Park in order to respect and maintain the history of the park;
 - B. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an alternative way to memorialize John Byers' significant civic contributions be found, for example, by naming an unnamed park in Laurel Hill after him.

END: RESOLUTION E&R-2014-01

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

**Wednesday, January 22nd, 8:00 p.m.
Walt Whitman Middle School, Lecture Hall
2500 Parkers Lane, Alexandria**

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

- Ratification of 2014 Co-Chair appointments
- Member Association Representatives' Time
- MV Supervisor's Time
- Other Elected Representatives and Public Time

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

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

Comm	Date	Time	Place	Chair
BUDG	2/5	7:30	WWMS/PrinConf	D. Voorhees
COAF	2/4	7:30	Teleconference	Cox
EDU	2/5	8:00	WWMS/Library	Harbeck
E&R	2/5	7:00	MVGC, Rm. 3	Martin
HHS	2/4	7:30	SCC/Rm. 221-A/B	Cleveland
PL/Z	2/3	7:30	WWMS/Lecture	Pohorylo
PS	2/6	7:30	MVGC, Rm. 3	Sherick
TRAN	2/3	7:30	WWMS/Library	Voorhees
SLRP	No meeting scheduled			Ward

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