



FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

The MVCCA Board is considering changing the layout of The RECORD to a single-column format instead of its current two-column format. This will be discussed during "new business" at the January 27 General Council meeting.

Supervisor Dan Storck is looking for a Communications / Administration person with social media skills. The job description and hiring form are available on the Fairfax County website.

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MVCCA GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 16, 2015, at Mount Vernon Government Center

PRESIDING: Co-Chair Diane Donley.

ATTENDING: Secretary Brian Leclair, Treasurer Stephen Markman, Committee Chairs Judy Harbeck (ED), Cathy Ledec (E&R), Bob McDonald (PS), Frank Cohn (TRANS), and Representative Ellen Young (SFDC).

Voting Representatives (13) from: Belle View Condominium, Clusters at Woodlawn, Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hills, Montebello, Mount Vernon Civic Association, Mount Vernon Manor, Newington Forest, Pavilions at Huntington Metro, Stratford (Sec IV) on the Potomac, Stratford Landing, Tauxemont, Wellington Heights.

Elected and Appointed Officials and Staff: Mount Vernon District Tree Commissioner Eleanor Quigley.

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m.

THE AGENDA as published in the December Record and amended in person was adopted.

PRESENTATION

Webmaster Karen Keefer gave a presentation about the updated MVCCA website.

- Utilizes WordPress, which is easier to maintain.
- Conversion is expected by month-end December 2015.
- All information and links from "old" website will be included in new website.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES of November GC meeting were approved as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT was approved as published.

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B&F: As printed in December Record.

ED: As printed in December Record.

E&R: As printed in December Record.

- Public comment period extended until January 1, 2016, regarding Fort Belvoir Environmental Impact Study.
- Tree Commissioner Quigley informed GC that the 31-acre construction project is a clear-cut project that calls for removing 5,000 trees from base. Letters of concern to the Garrison Commander are urged due to the negative environmental impacts of this project.

P&Z: As printed in December Record.

- Committee plans to collaborate with E&R and Transportation on upcoming resolutions re: animal control and Huntington Metro parking garage (Kings Highway side), respectively.

PS: As printed in December Record.

TRAN: As printed in December Record.

- Embark Richmond Highway information-only briefings continue.

SFDC REPORT: As printed in December Record.

FAIRFAX FEDERATION REPORT: As printed in December Record.

- Fairfax Federation 2015 Citizen of the Year nominations are open until January 31, 2016. Representative Young proposes that MVCCA nominate TRANS Chair Cohn.

CO-CHAIR REPORT

- The Co-Chairs sent membership letters to 53 civic associations in zip codes from 22301 to 22310. Out of 150 civic association addresses received from Fairfax County, 97 were inaccurate or incomplete.
- Co-Chair Donley wrote a letter forward to Mount Vernon District Planning Commissioner in support of Cedar Knoll continuing as a restaurant.

RESOLUTIONS

ED 2015-05: Meaningful Citizen Input to the FY2017 Budget Process

- The GC voted unanimously to approve the resolution, with 10 voting.

E&R/P&Z Joint 2015-02: Support, Add Date Certain, and Payment Schedule to SEA 097-MV-033-02 Mount Vernon Country Club

- The GC voted unanimously to approve the resolution, with 12 voting.

MEMBER ASSOCIATION TIME

Commissioner Quigley informed the GC of the draft zoning ordinance amendment re: high-density near Metro. A proposed hearing before the Planning Commission is scheduled for January 20, 2016.

Representative Young spoke of condo units owned by Fairfax County Residential Housing Authority (FCRHA). Home owners need more help when FCRHA refuses to remove problem tenants.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Brian Leclair, Secretary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET AND FINANCE

There are no minutes this month.

EDUCATION

The MVCCA Education Committee met at 8 p.m., January 13, 2016, in the library of Whitman Middle School. The meeting was postponed, at the Chair's request, from the regular meeting date of January 6, and members were notified by e-mail and website posting. Associations represented were: Newington Forest, Collingwood on the Potomac, Springbank, Riverside Estates, Stratford on Potomac IV and Collingwood Springs.

Mount Vernon District School Board Member Karen Corbett-Sanders also attended.

The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss Superintendent Garza's Proposed Budget, presented to the School Board on January 7, to determine if the Committee wanted to make any

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comment at this time. The proposal can be viewed at <http://www.fcps.edu/fs/budget/documents/proposed/FY17/FY17ProposedBudgetPresentation.pdf>. Full documents can be viewed at <http://www.fcps.edu/budget/documents.pdf>.

Committee members have been following the budget process closely, including the report of the Task Force set up by Dr. Garza to try to identify savings to reduce the expected deficit. Although the Task Force Report contained some lists of potential cuts, as the Task Force itself acknowledged, most of the items were either de minimus or would have produced severely negative impacts on educational delivery and the expectations of citizens and parents.

In general, the Committee was therefore pleased with Dr. Garza's decision not to adopt identified items or make further cuts on top of the more than \$500M cut since FY2008.

Corbett-Sanders, who had just participated in the School Board's receipt of Dr. Garza's proposals, led the discussion on the particulars.

She noted Dr. Garza's budget is essentially a maintenance of effort proposal: there are no significant cuts and it adds in discretionary terms about \$10m to prevent elementary class size from exceeding 30 students and \$102M for salary enhancements.

Of the \$102M, a 3.5% average raise (2.5% step and 1% MSA) accounts for \$62M and is comparable to the increase to be suggested for County employees. The teacher scale investment (\$40M) is the beginning of a multiyear solution to the gross disparities in salaries offered by surrounding jurisdictions, putting FCPS at a competitive disadvantage and leading to loss of highly experienced teachers.

Corbett-Sanders reported that this disparity may be a factor in FCPS hiring difficulties: FCPS had the most positions ever unfilled at the start of the school year (about 200) and still has about 80 positions being filled by subs. Mount Vernon schools have been particularly affected.

The remaining compensation-related increase (about \$40M) relates to non-discretionary increases in health insurance and contributions to the Virginia Retirement System (VRS) and the Fairfax County Employee's Retirement System (FCERS). VRS payments will continue to increase in FY2018 as Virginia tries to reach 100% funding by shifting coasts to local jurisdictions.

The Governor's Budget includes some educational enhancements but the most significant to FCPS will not occur until FY2018, assuming the Governor's Budget is adopted. For FY2018, the proposal reinstates the Cost of Competing Adjustment and includes some salary increases. For FY2017, \$3M is provided but requires hiring of at least one new teacher in each elementary school; FCPS's \$10M line item (above) is needed to qualify for the \$3M. The Commonwealth also offers enhancements for enrollment

growth but FCPS believes the estimates are too high and will be reduced.

Corbett-Sanders is of the opinion that the Superintendent's Proposed Budget will be adopted with few if any changes in the FY2017 Advertised Budget, on February 4, 2016.

Of course, the bottom line is that the FY2017 Budget represents a 4.8% increase over FY2016 Approved Budget and would require a 6.7% increase in School Transfer, compared to the 3.5% "guidance." This is obviously a difficult situation but Committee members noted that County funding, as a percentage of the County Budget, has been falling for some years and at one point was significantly higher. FCPS also continues to receive Commonwealth and Federal funding at lower rates than "promised" and thus has to rely on County funds to a greater extent than nearly every other Virginia school system.

Committee Members and Corbett-Sanders also discussed the importance of citizen comment particularly to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and to state and elected officials to assure FCPS' quality of education is maintained. Members spoke of a useful website which contains budget information and a potential form letter. It also is easy access to email addresses of elected officials and, of course, citizens may make any comment, not just sign onto the form. Indeed, a personal communication is probably more likely to be read although numbers also are important. See, <http://cqcengage.com/lamFCPS/>

The Council adopted the Committee's resolution on maximum tax rate and full disclosure and it was sent to the Board of Supervisors by the Co-chairs on January 1, 2016. Additional comment by citizens on that issue would also be desirable particularly before March 1, 2016, when the maximum tax rate is advertised so that citizens will not be limited in ability to comment by a prior Board action done without citizen input.

In other matters, Corbett-Sanders reported that the Principal position at Mount Vernon High School has been advertised and the expectation is that a new Principal will be in place in February. She also reported that she will have a briefing from Facilities using GIS data better locate and identify students in Mount Vernon and Lee Districts and the schools and programs they attend in order to begin what the Committee hopes will be a holistic and comprehensive review of boundaries in light of new school construction and residential development in the corridor with emphasis on neighborhood schools.

While Corbett-Sanders will provide information on the briefing, the Committee also will arrange a presentation on the subject at either the February or March meetings.

Next meeting: February 3, 2016, 8 p.m., Whitman library

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Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

A team of FCPS psychologists and social workers have been trained to provide Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) training to members of the school community. This eight-hour educational course is appropriate for adults who work with youth on a regular basis and would like to develop the skill of how to identify and respond to youth experiencing mental health issues or a mental health crisis. Course participants do not learn how to diagnose or provide counseling, but do learn how to seek appropriate help and resources for an individual who is experiencing mental health or substance abuse issues. This course is ideal for a variety of school staff such as teachers, administrators, instructional assistants, as well as coaches and PTA or PTSO leaders. The course is free and can be scheduled around your school calendar. Contact Jennifer M. Spears for information on how to request a course for your school or to register for training.

Contact: **Jennifer Spears**, jmspears@fcps.edu

ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

The E&R committee met January 6, 2016, at 7:15 p.m. Attending were representatives from Belle View Condominium, Collingwood-on-the-Potomac, Hollin Hills, Montebello, Pavilions at Huntington Metro, Riverside Estates, Southwood, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Tauxemont, Wellington Heights, Westgrove, Williamsburg Manor (nonvoting), Woodlawn Manor, Supervisor Dan Storck, MVCCA Co-chair Liaison to E&R Committee, 1 guest, and E&R Chair.

Announcements include (1) Environment Quality Advisory Committee (EQAC) to the Board of Supervisors Annual Public Hearing to obtain input on issues of environmental concern will be held Tuesday, January 12, 2016 in Conference Rooms 2 and 3 in the Fairfax Government Center, (2) Town Meeting with Senators Surovell and Ebbin and Delegate Krizek Saturday, January 23, 2016 from 9-11am at Walt Whitman Middle School, 2500 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA, (3) Free showing of the film, "Green Fire: Aldo Leopold and a Land Ethic for Our Time," at the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church will be held Saturday, January 23, 2016 at 7 p.m., and (4) Huntington Levee Public Meeting set to provide an update on the Huntington Levee plans to be held Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Huntington Community Center, 5751 Liberty Drive, Alexandria, VA.

We welcomed Fairfax County Animal Control Officer (ACO) Henley Thomas, II who came to talk to us about wildlife encounters, animal control calls and actions taken, and to follow-up on a set of questions collected some months back from E&R Committee members. Briefly ACO Thomas mentioned the ongoing Board of Supervisors study regarding where Animal Control should sit within the Fairfax County Structure. This study is not yet final and is currently looking at how this is handled by other jurisdictions.

ACO Thomas described Animal Control Officer training which includes 5.5 months at the Police Academy followed up by 6-8 weeks of specific animal control training. Animal Control Officers (ACO) are not classified as law enforcement. ACOs are on duty until 12:30 a.m. After hours there is an ACO on-call reachable at the Fairfax County Police Department non-emergency number 703-691-2131. The ACO territory is large and covers Braddock Road to Mt. Vernon and from Route 495 to Lorton.

Next, ACO Thomas described wildlife encounters and their resolution, starting with bats which are generally released into the wild following their capture and removal from a house. **Dogs:** Complaints regarding barking dogs are noise complaints that are directed to the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) non-emergency # 703-691-2131. A dog can be kept tethered outdoors alone for 1 hour in a 24-hour period. In determining violations things to look for include whether the dog is outdoors in inclement weather, if there is shelter, and if food or water is available. If a dog is loose in a fenced area with an invisible fence this is ok. **Fox:** If a sick or injured fox is seen this should be reported to FC Animal Control who will attempt to retrieve the injured animal. **Raccoons:** A committee member asked and ACO Thomas described some of the odd behaviors of a rabid raccoon. They begin self-vocalizing, self-mutilating, and exhibiting drunken behavior. **Feral Cats:** Cats are picked up by ACOs if they are sick or injured and are brought to FC's Animal Shelter. The FC shelter aims to be a no kill shelter and staff work hard to adopt out cats. However, cats can be released to organizations who release them back outdoors into the environment. A committee member commented that it should be required that these organizations receive written permission from property owners before any release is done. Further comments included the fact that these non-native cats are released into the environment, they receive no veterinary care, are released into our parks and have a significant negative impact on native wildlife. **Deer:** Due to their local over-abundance, deer have a significant adverse impact on our forests. The County has a deer management program that focuses on Fairfax County Park Authority Properties. A committee member requested info on how to add a FCPA Community Park into this program and ACO Thomas suggested getting in touch with his boss, Sgt Earit Powell.

We next welcomed Supervisor Dan Storck who joined us for an informal discussion. He described his plans for ramping up the office as quickly as is possible. Office renovations are almost complete. He announced that Brett Kenney will stay on as Chief of Staff. Christine Morin and Donna Slaymaker will also remain, taking on additional responsibilities. At this time there are 2 positions that are open. Identifying a diverse staff team is a high priority for Supervisor Storck. An important new hire will be a Communications Manager who will handle press, social media (all kinds), authoring of regular news releases and articles on the many activities of the Office of the Mt. Vernon District Supervisor. The goal is quality information shared in a timely way. Supervisor

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Storck noted that they will use all available technologies to connect residents to Fairfax County Services. The 2nd position's diverse responsibilities will be defined shortly. Customer service expectations for the office will be established. Office Hours will be consistent and regular and will include Saturday morning hours alternating between the Lorton Library and the Mt. Vernon Government Center. See details at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/mountvernon/>

Supervisor Storck next listed 4 goals for the next 3-6 months. (1) Build relationships with other members of the Board of Supervisors and elected officials. Establishing partnerships is important and this includes connecting with other non-governmental organizations such as the Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, the South County Federation and others. Establishing these partnerships has already begun in earnest, (2) Communications: to include using social media, establishing a regular e-newsletter, writing articles for area newspapers; (3) Economic & Job Development: note we need Goals #1 and 2 accomplished in order to get to this one, (4) Better connect residents and citizens of the Mount Vernon District with Fairfax County services and with each other, re-invigorating community connections.

This being only Day 6 of his term, Supervisor Storck has already met with Fairfax County (FC) Planning and Zoning. Priorities with Environment & Recreation are coming together. He noted the upcoming public meeting about the Huntington Levee project, the residential project on Fort Belvoir and the Environment Quality Advisory Committee's recently released *2015 Annual Report on the Environment*. He has upcoming meetings with the 4 units of the FC Department of Public Works and Environment Services and with other county offices soon. A committee member asked about the Fairchild property. No update has been provided for some time. Supervisor Storck will ask Brett to follow-up with us on this. Supervisor Storck deferred questions on specific projects until such time as he had fully studied the issues. A committee member brought up the Watershed plans with ~1700 projects identified. It was noted that the Mt. Vernon District has the most degraded streams and creeks in Fairfax County and that the Route 1 corridor has been neglected in favor of Tysons Corner.

Supervisor Storck added that he will Chair the Revitalization Committee of the Board of Supervisors. He then added that there will be a line of business review of the Fairfax County budget. This is expected to consume a large amount of time. A committee member asked about the Litter Action Plan developed by E&R in 2011 and asked about the BOS Environment Committee and the process to be added to their agenda - no information seems to be available on this. Supervisor Storck urged us to continue to advocate for the Mt. Vernon District in a public way. He reiterated his commitment to transparency. We look forward to working with him.

Next meeting:

Feb 3, 2016: Note change of venue

South County Government Center, 8350 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA 22309

Guest Speaker: Fort Belvoir Residential Communities Initiative Team will present and discuss the planned project in the Mount Vernon District and the environmental items highlighted in the report issued to the public and available at: http://www.belvoir.army.mil/envirodocssection2_ArmyRCI.asp

Future Meeting dates:

March 2, 2016; April 6, 2016; May 4, 2016; June 1, 2016; July 6, 2016; August: no meeting

PLANNING & ZONING

There are no minutes this month.

Next meeting is at 7:30 p.m. on February 1, 2016 at the Mount Vernon Government Center.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Public Safety Committee of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations conducted its monthly meeting on January 7, 2016 in the Mount Vernon Center Community Meeting Room #3. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. with the following communities represented: Clusters at Woodlawn, Collingwood on the Potomac, Potomac Valley River Bend, Riverside Estates, Stratford on the Potomac IV, Southwood, Sulgrave Manor, Wellington, Westgrove, and Woodlawn.

There was no guest speaker.

Old Business:

The full minutes of the December Public Safety Committee meeting (including a summary of the presentation on active shooters) were approved. The active shooter presentation summary will be posted to the MVCCA Public Safety web page.

The committee discussed the upcoming creation of a new South County Police Station in the Lorton area. This new station was part of the 2015 Public Safety Bond. It is important to note that this new station will presumably cover the Lorton area, which is part of the Mount Vernon Supervisory District, but not part of the Mount Vernon Police District. The Lorton area is covered by the Franconia and West Springfield Police Districts. It is not yet clear what effects this new station and district will have on the Mount Vernon Police District. When staffing the new station, the Police Department could either move personnel, or change the number of personnel slots in each District, or a combination of the two.

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The committee discussed setting mission and goals.

The committee discussed the issue of whether Animal Control will continue to be part of the Fairfax County Police Department.

The committee discussed the ongoing problem of large commercial trucks parking on streets, with Pole Road being an example. The legality of commercial truck parking depends on a combination of zoning and county ordinance, and also is driven by the presence or absence of no-parking signs and by parking permits for specific vehicles.

New Business:

The committee will consider writing a resolution calling for increased public awareness of the "Run, Hide, Fight" active shooter strategy.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sherwood Regional Public Library (NOT THE GOVERNMENT CENTER).

TRANSPORTATION

The MVCCA Transportation Committee met at 7:30 p.m. on the evening of January 4, 2016 in Community Room 3 in the Mount Vernon Government Center on Parkers Lane. The meeting was chaired by Frank Cohn. MVCCA Co-chair Katherine Ward, Planning Commissioner Earl Flanagan and representatives of the following citizen's associations were in attendance: Hollin Hills, Huntington, Marlan Forest, Mount Vernon Manor, Mount Zephyr, Riverside Gardens, Southwood, Stratford-on-the-Potomac, Waynewood, Wellington, Wessynton, Westgrove, and Williamsburg Manor North.

The Committee addressed the subject of rush hour traffic congestion at the Mount Vernon estate traffic circle. With the expansion of employment at Fort Belvoir, morning rush hour congestion is backing traffic up eastbound on the Mount Vernon Memorial Highway to and even beyond the traffic light at Old Mount Vernon Road. Evening rush hour traffic is backing up from the stop sign past the exit from the western visitor parking lot. The focus of the discussion was the intersection of the George Washington Memorial Parkway, Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon Memorial Highway and entrance to the estate's employee and auxiliary visitor parking. This intersection has long been regulated by stop signs. Past suggestions to install traffic lights at this intersection were resisted

by VDOT insisting that traffic lights would actually slow the flow of traffic; the Park police maintaining that the intersection is theirs, and in the past the Park Service was not in favor of any changes that might increase commuter traffic flow on the Parkway; and the closest citizens' association was also against changes and did not feel that traffic lights would help. Earl Flanagan presented a concept for adding a dedicated left turn lane to the Mount Vernon Memorial Highway just west of the stop signs to reduce the impact on the morning back-up of timid drivers trying to turn north on to the Mount Vernon Highway. He showed that there is already sufficient pavement for such a change now dedicated to tour bus parking. Reactions to this suggestion showed that committee members consistently resisted such a change. Some, who live in neighborhoods to the north along the Mount Vernon Highway are already using cut-through routing from the left turn lane on to Old Mount Vernon Road and then right on Surrey Drive to avoid the congestion entirely. Others felt that the answer to the congestion lies in improving traffic flow on Richmond Highway. It was mentioned that the Embark process could assist in improving traffic flow on Route 1. No one wanted to see encouragement of more commuter traffic on the Parkway. We did agree to revisit this issue in coming meetings should any good ideas present themselves.

As we began the discussion of the prioritization of Transportation Committee goals for 2016, Katherine Ward, the co-chair liaison, suggested that the Embark Route One action be added to our priorities. A number of concerns about Embark were voiced. It was seen as not energetically pursuing its goals/mission. Most particular was its failure to serve as a liaison with local citizens' associations which make up MVCCA. It was seen as having been "captured" by the County staff and moving toward becoming an organization with the primary function of helping the staff get its way. It was noted that while the Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation was not participating formally in Embark, several Embark members, including the Embark's Chair and Co-Chair are active in the SFDC. While we took no formal action to make Embark a priority goal, we agreed to interact actively with Embark in order to communicate our concerns to them, make sure they communicate to us and make sure they are not infringing upon Mount Vernon transportation goals by seeing only the funding limitations that staff anticipates. Frank Cihak said that at the most recent Embark meeting that he attended, the staff did most of the talking and the Chair of the meeting almost skipped over the public comment part of the agenda.

As the discussion moved back to Committee goals and mission statement, it was decided to accept a merger of alternative versions into the following mission statement:

The mission of the MVCCA Transportation Committee is to monitor transportation planning, maintenance and operations issues relevant to the citizens of Mount Vernon; collect inputs from our member citizens' associations; and, when appropriate, recommend action to the MVCCA General Council.

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We accepted the goals and prioritization that we had developed before the meeting. In this discussion, the issue of dealing with the National Park Service was treated with some urgency. It had not proven easy to get the attention of Park Service officers on safety issues with the Belle View Boulevard and Morningside Lane intersections. We decided to open the next phase of our dealings with the Park Service by requesting an accident history of these two problem intersections. This request should be difficult for the Park Service to ignore or deny. It should also give us leverage to open a discussion with them on concrete courses of action to fix the problems. Katherine Ward then suggested that, absent effective action by the Park Service, we could go to Congressman Don Beyer to get his office's help at a higher level.

We discussed inviting our new Supervisor, Dan Stork to a Transportation Committee meeting. We decided to invite him to a meeting not later than June and prepare a briefing for him on issues we have been working and specifically on what actions we request that he undertake.

The Transportation Committee decided that the agenda for the next meeting will address three items: another look at the Mount Vernon Circle traffic problems; a more complete discussion of Embark, including presentations by the three Mount Vernon District members of Embark (Dale Johnson, Earl Flanagan and Frank Cohn); and how to expedite traffic flow on Route One.

The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be in Community Room 3 in the Mount Vernon Government Center on Parkers Lane at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 1.

SFDC

The 2016 Business Roundtable series will begin on Thursday, March 3. Location, topics and speakers will be announced in the February RECORD. As usual, you may sign up (it's free!) at www.sfdc.org.

Hold the date: Thursday, April 14 will be the 2016 Economic Outlook Summit. Five speakers are confirmed: Fairfax County Executive Edward Long, FCEDA President Gerald Gordon, GMU CRA Director Terry Glower, National Association of Realtors Chief Economist Lawrence Yun and VP of the Regional Economics Division of the Federal Reserve Bank (Richmond) Ann Battle Macheras. SFDC co-sponsors this event with the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce. This is a must attend for all business owners, small and large. Details will follow in February and March.

FAIRFAX FEDERATION

The Fairfax Federation spoke at the January 9, 2016, County Legislative Delegation forum and asked for increased funding for our schools as well as support for the Federation's 11 point legislative agenda package (Previously printed in the Record or you can find it on the Fairfax Federation's webpage.

www.fairfaxfederation.org)

The Federation finally hosted a citizens-only conversation on the proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance on January 13, 2016. The MVCCA CO-Chairs attended. The presenters were from Mason District, Reston Citizen Assoc. McLean Citizen Assoc. and MVCCA. Each presenter addressed how these changes could positively or negatively impact our areas. Although staff was not invited, Fred Selden, Director of Planning and Zoning for Fairfax County did attend. After the presentations and discussions, he was afforded an opportunity to address the group. He pointed out a few misperceptions and offered some insights into the process and decision making that is being followed regarding finalizing these changes.

MVCCA conducted our forum on this same issue in Nov. and had presentations from County Staff, our planning commissioners and a local land use attorney.

On January 20, 2016, the County Zoning Staff will host a Zoning Ordinance Change forum for the full Planning Commission at the Government Center. It will also provide an opportunity for citizens to offer comments and suggestions. There will be formal public hearings on these changes in the near future—exact date to be announced.

The Federation's Membership meeting will be February 2, 2016, at the Gatehouse Offices of the School Board. Ms. Karen Garza, School Board Superintendent, will be the guest speaker.

Treasurer's Report

Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc.

Treasurer's Report, Current Month and Fiscal Year to Date Compared to Annual Budget
1 July 2015 to 31 December 2015

(Amounts are rounded to nearest dollar)

	Month of December	Total July 1 to December 31	Annual Budget	Budget Variance To spend (Unfavorable)
Cash Receipts:				
Dues - Current Members	\$ -	\$ 2,244	\$ 2,525	
Dues - Collected in 2014-15 Fiscal Year ³	-	870	625	
MM Interest Receipts	1	5	10	
Total Cash Receipts	1	3,119	3,160	(41)
Cash Disbursements (including outstanding checks):				
Administrative	-	91	300	209
Reception	-	247	300	53
Insurance premium	-	-	880	880
"Record" Production	100	510	1,390	880
Web Site	-	250	250	-
Total Cash Disbursements	100	1,098	3,120	2,022
Net Budget remaining to spend				\$ 1,981
Receipts In Excess (less than) Disbursements	(99)	2,021	40	
Total Cash at Beginning of Period	12,820	11,570	11,570	Note 2
Less cash collected in 2014-15 Fiscal Year	-	(870)	(625)	Note 3
Total Cash at End of Period	\$ 12,721	\$ 12,721	\$ 10,985	

End of Period Cash Balance by Account (less outstanding checks):

Burke & Herbert - Checking	\$ 2,701
Burke & Herbert - Money Market	10,020
Total Cash	\$ 12,721

Respectfully
Submitted,
Stephen Markman
Treasurer
January 13, 2016

Notes:

- 1 This financial statement uses the cash basis of accounting except as noted on the face of the statement.
- 2 The "Annual Budget" and "Total Year-to-Date" columns reflect actual Beginning of Period cash as of July 1, 2015.
- 3 Note dues collected in 2014-15 fiscal year for 2015-16 fiscal year are added as "Cash Receipts"; therefore, must be deducted from "Cash at Beginning of Period".

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 27, 8:00 p.m.
Mount Vernon Government Center
Parkers Lane, Alexandria

AGENDA

Call to Order

- Approval of Agenda
- 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 Time
- Mount Vernon Supervisor Time
- Other Elected Officials and Public Time

Adjournment

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

MVCCA Council—Jan 27, 8:00 p.m., MVGC Community Rm
MVCCA Board—Feb 11, 7:30 p.m., MVGC Supvrs Conf Rm

Comm	Date	Time	Place	Chair
BUDG	1/6	7:30	MVGC	D. Voorhees
COAF	TBD			<i>open</i>
EDU	2/3	8:00	WWMS/Lib	Harbeck
E&R	2/3	7:15	SCC/Rm. 221A-B	Ledec
HHS	TBD			<i>open</i>
PL/Z	2/1	7:30	MVGC	Pohorylo
PS	2/4	7:30	Sherwood Hall Lib.	McDonald
TRAN	2/1	7:30	MVGC, Rm. 3	Cohn

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