



FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

1. The MVCCA Policy and Practices Manual has been updated to clarify who can vote for and represent our members' associations.
2. North Hill Rezoning. MVCCA's approved resolution on this matter was used as the basis for our testimony at the Planning Commissions (PC) rezoning hearing on Feb 1. On February 8, the PC approved the North Hill Development Rezoning.
3. On February 14, the BOS held public hearings on North Hill Development rezoning and the 2017 Pest

Management Program. MVCCA approved GC positions on both matters have been provided to Supervisor Storck.

4. On February 23 the Planning Commission will hear public testimony on the updates to the zoning ordinance regarding commercial vehicle parking in residential communities. See Transportation Resolution in this RECORD.
5. Election for the vacant Co-chair position will take place during General Council meeting on Feb 22.

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MVCCA GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at
Mt Vernon Government Center Community Room**

PRESIDING: Co-Chair Katherine Ward

ATTENDING: Co-Chair Diane Donley, Secretary Abby Wells, Committee Chairs: Pete Sitnik (Federation), Ellen Young (SFDC), Judy Hargrove (EDU), Frank Cohn (TRAN), Matt Bell (B&F), Mark Viani (P&Z).

Voting Representatives (15) from:

- 1 - Belle View Condominiums, 2 - Civic Association of Hollin Hills, 3-Clusters at Woodlawn, 4 - Collingwood on the Potomac, 5 - Hollin Hall Village, 6 - Huntington Community Association, 7 - Mason Hill, 8 - Montibello, 9 - Mount Vernon Civic Association, 10 - Mount Vernon Manor, 11 - Newington Forest, 12 - Wellington Civic Association, 13 - Wessynton Homes Association, 14 - Williamsburg Manor North, 15 - Woodlawn Manor

Elected and Appointed Officials and Staff: County Supervisor Dan Storck; Tae Choi, Community Development and Land Use Aid to Supervisor Storck.

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The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m.

THE AGENDA was approved as published in the January 2017 Record.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES of the December General Council meeting held on 12/14/16 were approved as published in the January Record.

TREASURER'S REPORT was approved as published in the January Record.

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B&F – No meeting held in January.

EDU – No meeting in January. Upcoming Meeting Feb 1 – location tbd, and may be a joint session with B&F, also tbd.

E&R – Meeting was held Jan 4 and covered North Hill, Woodlawn Grid.

P&Z – Joint meeting with **TRANS** was held Jan 9 and included a 4th review of North Hill Project and the Woodlawn Street Grid. A correction was noted for P&Z Committee Meeting minutes in the January Record:

PS – January meeting not held. Next meeting Feb 7, to be chaired by Co-Chair.

TRANS – Joint meeting with P&Z on Jan 9. Discussions: Fairfax County opposition to Bus pull out at North Hill. Woodlawn Business Center being connected to Jeff Todd Drive. Next meeting 7:30 p.m. Feb 6.

FEDERATION – last met 1st week of December, general membership meeting topic Urban Forest Management. Transportation Resolution supporting Metro was passed. Federation is seeking Transportation committee members. Next meeting Jan 26.

SFDC – Please attend Sup. Storck's Town Hall Meeting being held Feb 4.

Co-Chairs Report:

Next month guest speaker Glen Fatzinger, a founding member of MVCCA and current Mount Vernon District representative to the Fairfax County History Commission, will speak about the 275th anniversary celebration for Fairfax County.

MVCCA will exhibit at Supervisor Storck's Town Hall Meeting Feb 4, 2017.

The Co-Chairs are seeking interested members to fill the roles of Chair of the Public Safety Committee and Chair of the Transporta-

tion Committee. Participating member representatives are strongly encouraged to volunteer for these positions and/or actively assist in the efforts to seek out strong candidates from within their membership base. Anyone interested should contact one of the Co-Chairs.

RESOLUTIONS:

MVCCA (BOARD) Resolution 2017-01
MEANINGFUL CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN THE FY2018 BUDGET PROCESS
Unanimous Vote 15-0.

MVCCA P&Z Resolution 2017-01
RESOLUTION REGARDING FAIRFAX COUNTY APPLICATION NO: 2232-16-38 BY VERIZON WIRELESS FOR A REPLACEMENT TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT 6065 RICHMOND HIGHWAY
Motion approved to omit proposed whereas's 4 & 5.
Resolution as amended was adopted.

MVCCA P&Z Resolution 2017-02
RESOLUTION REGARDING PROPOSED WOODLAWN CONCEPTUAL MULTI-MODAL STREET GRIDS PROPOSED IN THE EMBARK RICHMOND HIGHWAY PROJECT
Resolution passed.

MVCCA Joint E&R / P&Z Resolution 2017-J01
RESOLUTION REGARDING NORTH HILL RE-ZONING PROPOSAL NORTHEAST OF RICHMOND HIGHWAY AND DART DRIVE; RZ/FDP 2016-MV-014 AND PCA 78-V-1251.
Motion to amend the resolution by removing the following "therefore be it resolves 5 and 7; adding a "THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, "the Council requests the developer return for a site plan review" and the Transportation Committee as a sponsor of this resolution was adopted.
The amended resolution was adopted.

SUPERVISOR TIME:

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Meeting was held 1/24/2017. Supervisor Storck passed out several documents related to this meeting. They can be obtained through the Supervisor's office. A few of the items that directly apply to MV District were:

- Community Housing Grant Action Plan (North Hill)
- Chairman of the BOS proposes an ad-hoc community council be formed to recommend methods of better engagement with citizens and the county on land use matters.
- South County Center Leasing roof to T-Mobile for cellular antennas
- Re: Quality Inn on Route 1 – the County Attorney has sent notice to property owners who have 30 days to respond. Copy of Letter in packet distributed by Supervisor Storck's office.

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- CSX Railroad / Atlantic Gateway add 3 tracks of rail from Alexandria to Occoquan
- 8800 Richmond Highway—development under review with county staff
- River Towers displaced residents
- Riverside Apartments located on Rt. 1 and Huntington Ave—full scale revitalization
- Police Civilian Review Board
- Bock Farm meeting Jan 26. A survey is available until February 7, 2017 for those interested in giving input. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TXLHCSD>
- [30th Annual Mt Vernon Town Meeting](#)- Feb 4th Mount Vernon High School
- March 26, 1-5pm, 2nd Annual [Ides of Bark](#) will take place at Gristmill Park.
- Raw Sewage dumping into the Potomac River from the City of Alexandria

MEMBER ASSOCIATION TIME:

New General Council Representatives were introduced:

- Leslie Tucker - Wessynton
- Katherine Seikel – Civic Association of Hollin Hills
- Ed Alzona – Wellington Civic Association
- Sean McCarthy - Mt Vernon Civic Association

Williamsburg Manor North President updated the council on their communities' desired redevelopment of the Bock Farm Development.

Huntington Community Association President informed the council that construction equipment for the new levee is in place and the project is underway. The community center will be temporarily shut down due to a fire.

Mike Rioux, President of the Mason Hill Association, updated the council on the Dec 14 hearing on Short Term Rentals / Air B&B with the VA Housing Commission in Richmond. He advised the Council that our resolution on this matter which was sent to the BOS requesting their support is languishing with no action taken. [This is link to a video of the proceedings.](#) Mr. Rioux also provided information about tracking the status of Bills being introduced in the 2017 General Assembly session which ends Feb 24. Information may be tracked here: <http://www.vpap.org/general-assembly/bills/issues/>. The STR bills are VA Senate Bills 1578 and 1579.

General Council Rep from Clusters at Woodlawn, Brian Leclair discussed the future of a crosswalk on Pole Road at Sacramento Dr., and was addressed by Tae Choi, Community Development and Land Use Aid to Supervisor Storck.

PUBLIC TIME: No Comments

NEW BUSINESS:

Presented by the Co-Chairs:

1. The MVCCA Board has proposed a name change for Planning & Zoning Committee to the "Land Use, Planning and Zoning Committee". This change will require a by-laws change and will be voted on at the February General Council meeting.
2. The MVCCA Board proposes the possibility of combining the Public Safety and the Transportation Committees into one committee. This issue will be further addressed in February. If considered appropriate the by-laws will require modification.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted 1/30/17 by Abby Wells, MVCCA Secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET AND FINANCE

The MVCCA Budget & Finance committee met on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Mount Vernon Government Center. Attending were representatives from Midtown Alexandria Station Condominium, Southwood & Wellington Civic Association. At the meeting the committee discussed the upcoming FY2018 budget. The Fairfax County FY2018 budget will be released on February 14, 2017. The advertisement of a real estate tax rate for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 will be released on February 28, 2017. The committee also received budget priorities from the staff of Supervisor Storck and Chairman Bulova.

There was no quorum therefore no business could be formally conducted. The budget chair will seek input from the other MVCCA committee chairs on budget input. If you have any suggestions to be added to the resolution, please email them to chair.bf@mvcca.org by March 3, 2017. All suggestions must be submitted with a WHEREAS and/or THEREFORE statement. All suggestions received by March 3rd will be discussed at our March 8, 2017 meeting. In addition, any suggestions on the MVCCA budget resolution can be brought up at the March 8th meeting.

The MVCCA will have special guest speaker Joe Mondoro, CFO & Director of the Department of Management and Budget (DMB), at the February 22, 2017 general membership meeting. Joe will speak at 8 p.m., so if you are interested in hearing his presentation please be there at the beginning of the meeting.

The MVCCA Budget & Finance committee will meet next on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Mount Vernon Government Center. The MVCCA budget resolution will be voted on and passed by the committee at this meeting. The resolution will be then brought before the full membership at the March general council meeting on March 22, 2017.

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EDUCATION

The MVCCA Education Committee met at 8 p.m., February 1, 2017, in Room A-14 of Whitman Middle School. Associations represented were: Stratford Landing, Mount Vernon Civic, Spring Bank, Collingwood Springs, Wellington, Wessynton, Huntington, Riverside, Williamsburg Manor North, Potomac Valley Riverbend, Sulgrave Manor and Collingwood on the Potomac. Members of the Budget & Finance Committee also joined, representing Wellington, Huntington, Potomac Valley Riverbend and Mount Vernon Civic.

The chair reported that a resolution regarding maximum tax rate and citizen participation, customarily prepared by the Education Committee, was drafted by the Chair as a Board Resolution and was adopted unanimously at the January 25, 2017, General Council meeting. It was noted that a similar resolution was accepted by the Board of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens' Associations and will be voted on by that membership on February 16, 2017.

There was a general discussion of budget challenges affecting the FY2018 FCPS and County Budgets, with a view to developing consensus on the form of the Committee's County Budget resolution, to be voted on at the next Committee meeting, March 1, 2017. The Committee was very disappointed at the defeat of the Meals Tax referendum which would have shrunk (or eliminated) the deficit by \$70M in FY2019. Members commented that based on informal conversations many who voted against the tax believed that schools did need more funds and teacher salaries needed to rise but they did not like the type of tax and thought funds should be raised through the property tax and/or did not like the 30% going to the County without more specificity. Raising teacher salaries to market rates by FY2021 is a primary factor in the FY2018 budget and a primary concern of the Committee so this result was particularly disheartening.

The general budget discussion was fluid since Virginia's contribution and quarterly financial findings are not fully known, the Board of Supervisors had not yet set the maximum tax rate (scheduled for 2/28) and the County Executive's FY018 Proposed County Budget was not available at the meeting time (scheduled for release on 2/14/17).

However, it was anticipated that the County Executive will recommend an increase in school funding of significantly less than the \$108M initially requested by the FCPS Superintendent, and below the 3% increase tentatively promised last budget cycle for implementation in FY2018.

As noted above, a primary driver (more than 80% of the requested increase) was for teacher and staff salary enhancements as a continuation of the gradual process begun in FY2017 to bring teachers to market scale and improve competitive position by FY2021. This process is multiyear, based on research and targeted at career

levels where the disparities are greatest; if it cannot repair the damage to FCPS' ability to attract and retain quality teachers, the damage may be irreparable since competing jurisdictions, already offering higher compensation, plan further increases.

Another driver of the school budget was the decision by Virginia to accelerate the schedule of required Virginia Retirement System (VRS) payments which would cost FCPS over \$25M compared to the original schedule. Many jurisdictions, Fairfax included, have asked the Commonwealth to return to the original schedule and it is hoped, given financial challenges faced throughout the Commonwealth, the prior schedule will be reinstated. Pension liabilities and restructuring are hot-button issues throughout the nation. FCPS teachers and staff have 3 defined benefit plans: 2 of these (VRS and the Fairfax County Employee's Retirement System) are outside the control of FCPS and are significant baseline and increase factors. The third (ERFC) is controlled by FCPS which has taken steps to modify benefits and investment strategy, resulting in about \$5M saved this year, and is looking at further changes for new and junior employees, such as "exchanging" current salary for benefit reduction, changing retirement formulas, etc.

Another factor for schools is that enrollment once again ticked up by about 2000 students, the biggest increases being in special education, ESOL and poverty populations which require additional resources. These students also increased overall enrollment.

Fairfax is known for quality special education services and that reputation no doubt encourages families with special needs children to come here, much as FCPS' overall quality reputation is a factor for all families and businesses. The military has for some years had a compassionate placement policy for posting families with special needs children in Fairfax County and Ft. Belvoir.

BRAC at Ft. Belvoir has brought numerous new students and promises to bring more as more family housing is planned; it is estimated that these on-base students cost Fairfax County taxpayers between \$26M and \$30M each year because the US contributes only a couple hundred dollars apiece for the cost of their educations (County average \$13000). While we value our military, these on base families do not pay property tax, sales tax only off base and many do not pay Virginia income tax or personal property tax. Ft. Belvoir and the military in general are federal operations for the benefit of the entire nation and these costs should be more fairly distributed to the federal coffers and not be borne by one County.

The bottom line is that the eventual deficit is expected to be in the \$40-50M range at least which would necessitate a property tax increase in excess of 2 pennies per \$100 assessed value. The Chair was asked to prepare a draft resolution preserving salary increases and other items in the Superintendent's Proposed Budget as requested.

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Other related discussions included looking at ways to improve the budget vetting process noting that while the School Board did reopen the Budget Advisory Task Force, there was probably insufficient time and information available to thoughtfully consider potential cuts or changes to program or baseline.

Similarly, members again addressed the chronic problem of inadequate return of Commonwealth and US tax dollars to school and County needs, whether through unfunded mandates, operation of funding formulas which do not consider student needs, on-base student costs, and the general failure of the Commonwealth to direct enough resources to education by their own guidelines irrespective of distribution schemes.

Members opined that we—citizens, school board and supervisors—need to do a better job of addressing these inequities, which result in constantly increasing tax burdens on homeowners, through our Virginia and US elected representatives or even legal action. However, the prevailing thought, while agreeing on the need for political action, was that we cannot afford in the meantime to allow our schools, infrastructure and quality of life to deteriorate since we and our property values have the most to lose.

Next meeting: 8 p.m., March 1, 2017, Whitman MS

ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION

The MVCCA's E&R Committee (E&R) met on February 1, 2017 6, 2016, at 7.15 p.m. E&R Committee members represented included Belle View Condominium, Hollin Hills, Huntington, Montebello, Mount Zephyr, Pavilions at Huntington Metro, Stratford Landing, Tauxemont, Wellington Civic Association. We were also joined by 14 guests including representatives of Fort Belvoir (FB) Residential Communities Initiative (RCI) team from Bowman Consulting, CRC Companies, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, and Wetland Solutions and Studies Inc.

We welcomed the Fort Belvoir RCI team who provided us with an update on the project. The Committee had a presentation from the RCI team in 2016. See the notes from that presentation on pages 4-6 of the [February 2016 Record](#). The March 23, 2016 MVCCA's General Council approved resolution that provided comments and input on this project can be found on <http://www.mvcca.org/resolution-tracker-details/?ResID=209>

Noting that one year has passed since the MVCCA provided input to this project, the RCI team began their presentation with a brief history of the FB RCI effort. Overall the RCI seeks to improve the quality of life for military families. The Fort Belvoir Residential Communities (FBRC) is a 50-year partnership between the US Army and Clark Realty Capital. Purpose-driven development is the goal including (1) Modernizing military family housing units at Fort Belvoir, (2) Improve military families' access to housing, and (3)

providing first-rate neighborhood centers and recreation facilities. The presentation touched on the history of the Fort Belvoir Master Development Plan and this project site referred to as the Woodlawn East Parcel. This is located on the northeast sector of Fort Belvoir Army Installation Land off Pole Road just north of Plantation Drive. A land swap occurred with the Fairfax County Park Authority who traded the Woodlawn East Parcel in exchange for ball fields located off Pole Road. This swap enabled the Fort Belvoir RCI project to develop homes on the Woodlawn East property while retaining the ball fields for the community. The tradeoff here is that this significant treed property will be developed into residential housing for military families.

The team then described the National Environment Policy Act (NEPA) and the Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) that was done to identify and evaluate potential environmental impacts of the Proposed Action. Professional surveys and studies were completed to accurately evaluate the environmental and historical context of the parcel. All land disturbing activities will be conducted in compliances with Federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations to reduce potential impacts. All aspects of the project would utilize best management practices and mitigation measures to reduce impacts to biological resources, including vegetation and wildlife.

The next steps on the SEA (from Feb 2016 meeting) included (1) All agency and public comments received on the SEA will be evaluated and considered for the final SEA, (2) Preparation of an official response memorandum will be available for comments received and will be included as an appendix to the SEA when the NEPA process is concluded, (3) The Final SEA will be distributed to Fort Belvoir and Army for review and final decision, (4) With Army approval, the parcel will be incorporated into the FBRC ground lease and then (5) construction activities were proposed to commence in 2017.

Updating us on this process all agency and public comments have been received and draft responses have been prepared. Public comments led to the discovery of a historic resource on the site. A result of this discovery, the FBRC entered into Section 106 Consultation with the Virginia State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and FB DPW to agree on a set of required mitigations (including protections) that will coincide with development. Official responses to the public comments submitted will be made once the Section 106 consultation is complete. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will be established between the installation and the SHPO. MOA's are already in place for other historic properties on Fort Belvoir.

Some details were provided regarding the historic resource that was discovered. It is an earthen berm corresponding to the subdivision line for Dogue Run Farm, part of George Washington's land holding. The FBRC commissioned a Phase II Archaeological study and Cultural Resources Evaluation of the resource (Dogue Run

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Earthen Berm Fence) and recommended inclusion of the resource into the National Register of Historic Places. Preliminary feedback from FB DPW and SHPO suggested that the development, as planned, would create an adverse impact to the resource. As such an MOA with the SHPO will be required. FBRC is currently revising the project plan and researching mitigation and avoidance measures to submit to DPW and SHPO. The team showed a proposed change to the design and layout of the proposed residential community this includes reducing the number of residences and added duplexes into the housing mix, locating the residences away from the historic resource. The team also noted that they had increased the buffer area and housing setback from the property line with Huntley Meadows Park.

Questions from committee members included the following. What is the sheet flow for stormwater? A very small part of the site has sheet flow back onto Huntley Meadows Park property but the majority of this flows to the west. A representative from Fort Belvoir stated that as a Federal property the installation is held to a higher standard than is followed in Fairfax County for environmental mitigations that they implement. This includes stormwater, and tree replacement. We were told that Fort Belvoir achieve a 2:1 tree replacement ratio. A committee member asked if the tree replacement goal cannot be accomplished on the developed site how and where are remaining tree plantings pursued? FB staff replied that the target is within the Woodlawn East development as a priority. If this cannot occur then the team will negotiate with Fairfax County for tree plantings first within the same watershed. There is a standing agreement with Fairfax County such that if these priorities cannot accommodate the tree replacement then funds that were allocated by the project for tree replacement can be directed to implement stream improvements or watershed improvement projects within the same watershed. The team noted that Fort Belvoir has a high record of achievement with regard to environmental management on the installation. Overall the installation has achieved 84% tree cover on the installation with only 16% impervious surfaces. Federal agencies are held to a higher standard.

Committee members wanted to know how the historical resource will be protected. The details of this are currently in discussion with the SHPO and will be agreed to in the MOA. A committee member asked whether Coastal Plain Depression Swamp, a globally rare habitat type found in nearby Huntley Meadows Park and at the Jackson Abbott Wildlife Refuge, has been found on the site. A representative from WSSI confirmed that the wetland areas noted as hatched areas on the maps, with no housing located at these locations, are in fact Coastal Plain Depression Swamp. These areas will be protected and the FB team is working with the Virginia Natural Heritage Program at the Department of Conservation and Recreation on recommendations related to this finding. They are also working with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries with regard to the Endangered Wood Turtle documented to be present in this area. Rare plants have also been found near-

by on Huntley Meadows Park property. Have surveys for these been done on the project site? A WSSI rep noted that no plant surveys have been done yet but they are planned. It was requested that this be coordinated with Huntley Meadows Staff who have extensive knowledge about these rare plants, the team agreed to consider this. The WSSI rep noted that most of the wooded area is early successional forest. A Committee member noted that this habitat type is valuable natural habitat that some of our local wildlife prefer this to mature forest. Committee members asked about the location of the road through the proposed community that seems to pass directly through the historic resource. The Fort Belvoir team noted that the area impacted by this road is a section of the resource that was found to be 100% disturbed by prior activities on the property. Concern was expressed that the impact of the road is wider than the road and care should be taken to not impact the historic resource. The FB team agreed. The FB team also suggested that future plans may include providing historical displays in the future community center as an education opportunity for future residents to learn the history and importance of this historic resource. It was further suggested that some type of fencing be considered with on-site signage to protect the resource from unintentional disturbance. The interest in this historic resource is not just local but is national in scope since it is related to our nation's first President.

A Fort Belvoir rep noted that overall the installation manages its ~8,000 acres for different habitat types including forested or some transitional habitat. The FB team agreed that the installation's property holdings are strategically significant for Fairfax County. They confirmed that the installation has an important role, and one that they take very seriously in ensuring and implementing best practices for managing their natural resources.

A committee member asked about the location of public transportation nearby this site for future residents. The Fort Belvoir team rep noted that housing on Fort Belvoir is part of the overall National Capital area housing provided for military personnel. Some living in this housing might work at Bolling Air Force Base or at the Pentagon, the housing here is not specific for those assigned to Fort Belvoir. For those assigned to other installations transport options may or may not include public transportation. A committee member noted that in the original proposed SEA stated that the proposed action will not have a significant impact on wildlife, they will adapt quickly. If the impacts are not properly mitigated there will be an impact. How is it that this is not a significant impact? The FBRC team noted that technically if the impacts are mitigated then it is not considered a significant impact.

A committee member noted that in our March 2016 resolution there was noted a need to improve outreach. How has the outreach improved? The Fort Belvoir DPW rep told us that they are actively engaged with the surrounding community. A Fort Belvoir staff member is a sitting member of the Mt. Vernon – Springfield Chamber of Commerce and attends the town hall meetings such as the

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one coming up for the Mt. Vernon District on February 4, 2017. They also noted that they reached out to us to provide an update on the project. They further noted that the NEPA process is lengthy. The public comments resulted in a historic finding and this required additional actions to include the Section 106 consultation process and the inclusion of the State Historic Preservation Officer. This is the main reason for delays. The schedule shown suggests that the responses to public comments might be ready for release at the end of the 2nd Quarter 2017. This is dependent on obtaining the necessary approvals through the FB approval process.

The remaining schedule includes (1) Submit a draft Memorandum of Agreement (Section 106) to DPW and SHPO for review. Expected Q1 2017, (2) Finalize the SEA and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) pending Army signature (Concludes NEPA) Expected Q2 2017, (3) Release of official response memorandum (SEA) will be made available for public Expected Q2 2017, (4) Finalize MOA with SHPO outlining agreed upon preservation measures. Expected Q2 2017, (5) With Army approval, parcel to be incorporated into FBRC ground lease. Expected Q4 2017. (6) Construction activities may commence in 2019 (delayed from original plans for 2017).

We thanked the Fort Belvoir team for updating us on the important historic finding on the Woodlawn East Property. We look forward to hearing more about the historic resource and the overall project effort as things move forward. With this our meeting adjourned.

Our next meeting will be March 1, 2017 at 7.15pm at the Mt. Vernon Government Center 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA Community Room 3.

PLANNING & ZONING

The Planning & Zoning Committee did not meet in January. The Committee's next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 6 in the Mount Vernon Government Center, 2511 Parkers Lane.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Public Safety (PS) committee met at the Mount Vernon Government Center in room 3 on Feb 2, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Katherine Ward, the Co-Chair Liaison for the committee.

The following communities were represented at the meeting: Clusters at Woodlawn HOA, Potomac Valley River Bend Civic Association, Hollin Hills Civic Association, Collingwood on the Potomac Civic Association, Mount Vernon Civic Association, Stratford Landing HOA, Southwood Civic Association, and Wellington Civic Association.

The purpose of the meeting was to address the issue of finding a new Committee Chair and the possibility of combining this committee with the Transportation Committee. The group was advised that the Committee Chairs are appointed by the MVCCA Co-Chairs. They also received info on the roles and responsibilities of a Standing Committee Chair (run meetings, produce the minutes and organize the agenda, be part of the MVCCA board, attend the GC meetings, and report on the Committee's activities). And finally, they were advised that there is no requirement for monthly meetings and that the Chair is always advised to get volunteers to act as recorder and deputy chair in order to lessen the work load.

While no one in the group present wanted to take over the chair duties, a variety of options were discussed. These options included:

1. Committee members would attend the monthly Citizen Advisory Committee meetings then adjourn to hold a brief MVCCA PS meeting where the group would address issues that pertained to the MVCCA membership and create a set of minutes for the Record. A chair would still be needed, but the work load would be far less.
2. Create a Special PS Committee and remove the current Standing PS Committee from the MVCCA roster of Standing Committees. This option would also have less duties for a Chair, but a Chair would still be needed. Meetings would not be required monthly and the chair would not have a vote on the MVCCA Board.
3. Combining with Transportation - issues related to public safety could easily be addressed by this joint committee. A PS chair would not be required. However, there would need to be a chair for the combined committee.
4. Abandon the PS committee as an independent entity and current committee members could become their community's representative to the Transportation committee if one did not exist.

It was decided that the final decision would be delayed for 2 weeks and Al Dixon would facilitate further communications with committee members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation Committee met on Monday, February 7, 2017. Representatives of the following citizens' associations were in attendance: Southwood, Williamsburg Manor, Pavilions, Belle Haven Terrace, Wellington, Wellington Heights, Belle View, Hollin Hall Village, Huntington, Woodley Hills, Wessynton, Mt Vernon, and Stratford-on-Potomac. Also attending were Katherine Ward, MVCCA Co-Chair and Michael Shor, Transportation Advisory Committee member.

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The Committee addressed the plan to move the bus stop serving the North Hill project site north of Dart Drive without constructing a bus pull out to enable busses stopping at that location to clear the northbound right hand moving traffic lane on Richmond Highway at that location. Chairman Cohn reported that the policy of the Fairfax County Department of Transportation does not support pull-outs because bus drivers have trouble merging back into the moving traffic lanes. The committee noted that Virginia State law prescribes, as a punishable offense, a driver's failure to yield to a bus attempting to re-enter traffic. The Committee approved a resolution (MVCCA Resolution 2017-01 (Transportation)) asking that the Council request the Mount Vernon District Supervisor to seek Board of Supervisor action to require FCDOT to implement a policy in favor of bus pull outs wherever needed.

The Committee recommends to VDOT that it install a pedestrian crossing at Pole Road and Credos Court, just north of Pole Road and Sacramento, because that is the location of both a bus stop and ball field entrance that seem to be generating much local pedestrian traffic, and both the lack of a cross walk and inadequate sight distances create a safety hazard. VDOT rejected that proposed crossing due to insufficient sight distance. The Committee authorized the Chair to Draft a resolution (MVCCA Resolution 2017-02 (Transportation)) to request VDOT to undertake a study and determine a solution that will provide a solution to the problem.

It was noted that many street signs on the Fairfax County Parkway are too small to read at present 50 mph speeds. The Chairman will refer this problem to the Federation for action as this problem is county wide.

The Committee discussed Old Mill Road traffic calming. The section of Old Mill Road in question is from Cooper Road to Lukens Lane to Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway. After much discussion of the FCDOT RTAP Traffic Calming Study, it was decided to obtain the complete Study and invite FCDOT to provide a speaker to the March meeting to review the findings and recommendations. It was noted that Stop Signs are not an effective speed reduction method. It was also noted that the study showed that the 85th percentile speed was now 35 mph and not the present 25 mph limit. The consensus was that the current 25mph limit is unrealistic and should be raised to 35 mph as it was in the past.

Chairman Cohn has referred this subject of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority – (METRO) Funding to the Federation for action. The Federation has accepted this referral.

A proposed merger of Transportation and Public Safety Committees was tabled.

The committee discussed the proposed changes to the Commercial Vehicle Parking in Residential Neighborhoods Zoning Ordinance. Chairman Cohn will send out the proposed Commercial Vehicle Parking Proposed Zoning Amendment to Committee

members for review. The amendment is intended to clarify and strengthen the existing regulations.

FC BOS Chair Bulova has recommended that the Advisory committee on Aircraft Noise continue.

Those interested in becoming the Transportation Committee Representative to the Federation should contact Chairman Cohn.

The Chairmanship of the Transportation Committee will be vacant in April. Those interested in this position should contact Chairman Cohn.

The next Embark Richmond Highway Advisory Group meeting is at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, February 27, 2017 in Room 221C, South County Center, 8350 Richmond Highway.

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, March 6.

SFDC

There will be a Business Roundtable on Thursday, March 16 at 8:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Express, 6055 Richmond Highway. More information and registration (it's FREE, as usual) can be found at www.sfdc.org.

SAVE THE DATE!! The annual Economic Outlook Summit will be held on Thursday, April 6, at the Belle Haven Country Club. You can register now at www.sfdc.org. This informative summit is co-sponsored by SFDC and the Mt Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce.

FAIRFAX FEDERATION

The Federation's Member Meeting was held Thursday, 19 January 2017, at 7:30 p.m. and was called to order at the Mason Governmental Center, Main Community Room, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003. The agenda included an enlightening presentation on Neighborhood Forest Management presented by: Jim McGlone, Urban Forest Conservationist, Virginia Department of Forestry.

The Federation Board meeting was Thursday, 26 January 2017, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2) 2334 Gallows Road, Dunn Loring, VA 22027. Agenda included: Reports and discussions of the Legislative actions at the ongoing 2017 Virginia General Assembly on issues of importance to Fairfax County residents and the Federation. Including Short Term Residential Rentals, Hands Free Driving, and Budget & Finance just to name a few.

Committee Reports

New Business

Additionally: A selection committee of county-wide organizations will meet to review the nominations for the Federation's "Citizen of the Year" and Citation(s) of Merit. The winners will be honored at a banquet 1 April 2017.

The Federation is actively working (2) two resolutions that MVCCA Members have supported: A Dedicated Metro funding & Safety resolution and a re-issue of a 2014 Canker Worm resolution.

The next Federation Member Meeting (agenda to be announced) is scheduled for Thursday, February 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax, VA.

The next Federation Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2), 2334 Gallows Road, Dunn Loring, VA 22027.

Details of all things related to the Fairfax Federation can be found on the Federations Website (www.fairfaxfederation.org).

COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

TRANSPORTATION

Proposed MVCCA Resolution 2017-03 (Transportation)

MOUNT VERNON COUNCIL OF CITIZENS' ASSOCIATIONS (MVCCA) RESOLUTION ON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

- Whereas:** The MVCCA Transportation Committee has been asked to review and comment on the Fairfax County Staff Report on a proposed zoning ordinance amendment entitled Commercial Vehicles in Residential Districts due to go to the Planning Commission on February 23, 2017;
- Whereas:** Mount Vernon is one of the few districts in Fairfax County that currently prohibits the parking of commercial vehicles in residential neighborhoods;
- Whereas:** The MVCCA Transportation Committee supported the current prohibition of commercial vehicle parking on residential streets at a public meeting held on March 10, 2008;
- Whereas:** The MVCCA Transportation Committee sees no significant change in that prohibition by virtue of the wording of the County Staff Report now under consideration.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the MVCCA Council recommend approval of the changes contained in the County Staff Report on Commercial Vehicles in Residential Districts now under consideration.

1. CHANGE TO THE BY LAWS:

As discussed and proposed by the MVCCA Board at the January 25, 2017 General Council meeting, a vote will be taken on the following change to the MVCCA By-Laws:

THE FORMAL NAME OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE BE CHANGED TO THE LAND USE, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE.

This change is being recommended as a way to more clearly identify the mission for the Committee. In accordance with the MVCCA By-Laws, this vote will take place at the March General Council meeting. *Please plan to attend to vote on this change.*

2. VOTE ON THE CANDIDATE FOR THE VACANT CO-CHAIR POSITION:

As previously addressed discussed in the November 2016 General Council Meeting, the nominating committee is hereby recommending Mark Viani as the candidate to fill the vacant Co-Chair position.

Mark Viani has agreed to be nominated to fill the Co-Chair vacancy, as well as run in the May election. He has lived in the Mount Vernon district off and on for 46 years, and has been involved with the MVCCA for several years, most recently as the Planning & Zoning Committee Chair and the current President of Collingwood On The Potomac. Mark also has extensive experience as an Attorney at Bean, Kinney & Korman, specializing in local government issues. He is also a member of the SFDC, and several other local organizations.

3. COMMITTEE CHAIR RATIFICATION FOR THE POSITION OF THE LAND USE, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

The Co-Chairs recommend for your ratification Andrew Vinisky as the Chair of the Land Use, Planning and Zoning Committee.

DID YOU KNOW?

A new DRAFT of the Board of Supervisors Environmental Vision has been released for public comment?

Here it is: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/environment/environmental-vision-draft-update.pdf>

MVCCA's Resolution here: <http://www.mvcca.org/Resolutions/res-E&R-2016-02.pdf> submitted comments on this in February 2016.

Public Comments on this material can be submitted here: [Fairfax County Environmental Vision Draft Update Survey](http://FairfaxCountyEnvironmentalVisionDraftUpdateSurvey). The public comment period ends on March 6, 2017.

Treasurer's Report

Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc.

Treasurer's Report, Current Month and Fiscal Year to Date Compared to Annual Budget
Periods Ending January 31, 2017

(Amounts are rounded to nearest dollar)

		Total July 1, 2016 to January 31, 2017	Annual Budget	Budget Variance To spend or Favorable (Unfavorable)
<u>Cash Receipts (including deposits in-transit):</u>				
Dues - Current Members	\$ -	\$ 2,778	\$ 3,300	
Dues - Collected in 2015-16 Fiscal Year ³	-	318	-	
Money Market Interest	1	6	10	
Total Cash Receipts	1	3,102	3,310	(208)
<u>Cash Disbursements (including outstanding checks):</u>				
Administrative	-	95	300	205
Insurance premium	835	835	835	-
Outreach/Town Hall Meets	162	162	500	338
"Record" Production	110	690	1,390	700
Web Site	-	396	900	504
Total Cash Disbursements	1,107	2,178	3,925	1,747
<u>Net Budget-Receipts in Excess(less than) Disbursements</u>	(1,106)	924	(615)	\$ 1,539
<u>Other sources/changes in cash</u>				
Total Cash at Beginning of Period	13,274	11,561	11,561	Note 2
Dues - Collected in 2015-16 for 2016-17 Fiscal Year	-	(318)	(318)	Note 3
Total Cash at End of Period	\$ 12,167	\$ 12,167	\$ 10,628	

End of Period Cash Balances by Account (adjusted for outstanding items):

Burke & Herbert - Checking	\$ 2,136
Burke & Herbert - Money Market	10,031
Total Cash	\$ 12,167

Respectfully
Submitted,
Stephen Markman
Treasurer
February 9, 2017

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, 2016.
- 3 Note dues collected in 2015-16 fiscal year for 2016-17 fiscal year are included in "Cash Receipts" above; therefore, must be deducted from "Cash at Beginning of Period".

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 22, 8:00 p.m.
Mount Vernon Government Center
Parkers Lane, Alexandria

AGENDA

Call to Order

- Guest Speaker: Joe Mondoro from the County Executive's Office, Topic: Fairfax County FY2018 Budget
- 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—Feb. 22, 8:00 p.m., MVGC Comm. Room
MVCCA Board—Mar. 9, 7:30 p.m., MVGC Comm. Rm 3

Comm	Date	Time	Place	Chair
BUDG	3/8	7:00	MVGC Comm Rm	Bell
EDU	3/1	8:00	WWMS/Lib	Harbeck
E&R	3/1	7:15	MVGC Comm Rm	Ledec
PL/Z	3/6	7:30	MVGC Comm Rm	Viani
PS	TBD			
TRAN	3/6	7:30	MVGC Comm Rm	Cohn

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