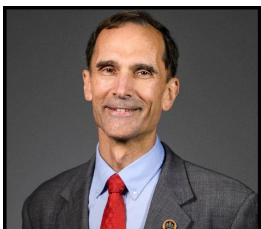


October 30, 2018



The Board of Supervisors (BOS) was recognized by the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) for receiving three [VACo Achievement Awards](#) recognizing **excellence in local government programs**. The three outstanding programs are: [Next Generation Security Program](#), [Financial Exploitation Prevention Taskforce](#) and [Revitalize, Restore, Replant!](#)

The BOS also recognized the **Fire and Rescue Department** and

the **Department of Public Safety Communications** for again being the 2018 **Highest Collecting "Fill the Boot" Campaign** for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) in both the United States and Canada, **raising almost \$604,000** to benefit the Greater Washington MDA.



Top 3 Things You Need to Know from the BOS Meeting:

1. Agreed to form a **steering committee** to formalize and define the role of the County and the Workhouse Arts Foundation with regard to the **Workhouse Arts Center**.
2. Endorsed **transportation projects** to be submitted for **funding consideration** from the Commonwealth's Pedestrian Safety Action Plan Grant Program.
3. Announced **Randy Bartlett** will be replacing James Patteson, who is retiring, as head of the **Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES)**.

At yesterday's BOS meeting, I moved an important Board Matter to **formalize and define the role of the County and the Workhouse Arts Foundation** at the Workhouse Arts Center. A steering committee will be formed to **establish guiding principles** to promote the **future vitality** of the Workhouse Arts Center campus. The Board recognizes the Workhouse as a significant and **valuable arts and community resource** in the County, and particularly in the Mount Vernon District. Scroll down to read more.

Chairman Bulova moved a Board Matter, that I support wholeheartedly, directing the Board to **work together** holistically with the **School Board** on all matters regarding the environment. She called for both Boards to **act locally** while **thinking globally**, to make a **lasting impact** and effect **real change** in the County. The Board Matter directed the County Executive to compile information relative to our **County's commitments to energy and the environment** to share with the School Board at a **joint meeting** in early 2019. Read the full [Board Matter](#).

Please be sure to scroll to the end of this Brief to **see upcoming events** in the District!

The following are **highlights from the Board of Supervisors October 30, 2018 meeting**, including items of particular interest to Mount Vernon residents. For additional

information, please go to the [County's Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule](#). You may listen to highlights from the Board meeting on your computer or listen directly on iTunes. Subscribe to the podcast, or choose a program and listen in.

The Board also:



Proclaimed November 2018 as American Indian Heritage Month



Recognized the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War I

To view the October 30, 2018 Board Package [click here](#).

Administrative Items

Admin 1: Advertised a proposed amendment to **change County Code** to, among other changes, add **Running Bamboo** to the list of **Noxious Weeds**. Running Bamboo is a non-native and very invasive plant in the County. *The full item can be read on pages 27 - 39 of the Board Package.*

Admin 5: Authorized the **Department of Family Services** to apply for **grant funding** from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the **Early Head Start Program**. *The full item can be read on pages 82 - 87 of the Board Package.*

The Board authorized Public Hearings:

- To consider changing the street address for the current Belvoir Precinct Polling Location **from 6900 Newington Road to 8201 Cinder Bed Road**. This is an **administrative change of address**, not a location change, based on renovations and road improvements in the area. The Public Hearing will be held **Tuesday, December 4, 2018, at 4:00 p.m.**
 - On a Proposed Zoning Ordinance on **signs and related provisions**, to include changes that will, among others (1) **rewrite existing provisions** in a content-neutral manner, to include new provisions for the regulation of minor (temporary) signs and the **prohibition of off-site signs**; (2) reorganize all provisions in a more **user-friendly format** to include graphics and a new section of defined terms; (3) establish **new regulations for electronic display signs**; and (4) establish **more uniform regulation** of signs in all zoning districts. The Public Hearing will be held **February 5, 2019, at 4:00 p.m.**
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Action Items

Action 5: Endorsed **transportation projects** to be submitted for **funding consideration** from the Commonwealth's Pedestrian Safety Action Plan Grant Program. This funding request includes \$198,000 for an **improved crosswalk at Frye Road**, approximately 300 feet north of Richmond Highway. The proposed project consists of a new pedestrian refuge island, curb ramps and **Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons** at the existing crosswalk on Frye Road. *The full item can be read on pages 219 - 244 of the Board Package.*

Action 7: Approved a Public Hearing to lease County owned property on the Workhouse Arts Center (WAC) campus to the Workhouse Arts Foundation (WAF). The proposed lease of W-2 and W-2A, the **recently renovated and newly opened Lucy burns Museum**, will enable the WAF to apply for historic tax credits of approximately \$400,000.

If received, the revenue from the sale of these **tax credits will go directly to WAF** and be used as approved by the County. The Public Hearing will be held **November 20, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.** *The full item can be read on pages 240 - 400 of the Board Package.*

Joint Board Matters

Establish Guiding Principles to Promote the Future Vitality of the Workhouse Arts Center Campus- Joint with Chairman Bulova

The Board is committed to the **continued vitality of the Workhouse Campus** and now takes action to build on the success of this important County asset to ensure success for the next decade and beyond.

Action

*Directed the County Executive to collaborate with the Workhouse Arts Foundation (WAF) to **establish a Steering Committee** comprised of representatives from Fairfax County and WAF that is charged with making recommendations consistent with the interests of both entities in the **development and operation of the Workhouse Campus** for the benefit of the public. The Steering Committee will maintain the priority of **bringing success to the Workhouse Campus** in harmony with the vision and intent of the Workhouse Campus as an arts center.*

[Read the full Board Matter and complete list of actions.](#)

Designation of November as Veterans and Military Families Month in Fairfax County - Joint with Chairman Bulova and Supervisor McKay

We observe Veteran's Day next month **in remembrance of those who have served in honor of their country and their loved ones.** We also reflect on **those who continue to dedicate their lives** to work in the name of service. This time of year, we pause to give thanks, and also express our gratitude to our veterans, military members, and their loved ones.

Action

*Directed staff to prepare a joint proclamation for presentation to representatives from Fort Belvoir, officially designating **November as Veterans and Military Families Month** in Fairfax County, at our **Board Meeting of November 20, 2018.***

[Read the full Board Matter.](#)

Upcoming Events

- Nov 3: [Secure Document Shredding Event Rescheduled in South County](#) – 8 a.m.
 - Thru Nov 3: [Absentee Voting Continues at Mount Vernon Governmental Center](#)
 - Nov 9 - Dec 7: [Blanket & Coat Drive for Syrian Refugees 2018](#)
 - **Nov 10: Environment Expo: Saving the Earth One Person at a Time – 8 a.m.**
 - Nov 10: [Fairfax County 14th Annual History Conference](#) - 8:30 a.m.
 - Nov 10: [VDOT Incident Management Open House](#) - 10 a.m.
 - Nov 13: [South County Federation](#) – 7:30 p.m.
 - Nov 14: [Occoquan Dam Siren Testing](#) - 10 a.m.
 - Nov 14: [The Match Game - Volunteering With Passion and Purpose](#) - 1 p.m.
 - Nov 17: **NEW DATE! Tour de Mount Vernon** – 8:30 a.m.
 - Nov 28: [Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations Meeting](#) – 8 p.m.
 - Dec 6: **Mount Vernon District Holiday Open House**
 - Dec 10: [Police Civilian Review Panel 2018 Public Forum](#) - 7 p.m.
 - [And more!](#)
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Tour de Mount Vernon has been rescheduled!
NEW DATE: November 17, 2018
Still time to sign up to register to ride or volunteer!



Opportunity to Serve

In 2016, the Board of Supervisors created the **Police Civilian Review Panel**. The mission of the Panel to **enhance police legitimacy** and to **build and maintain trust** between the citizens of Fairfax County, the Board of Supervisors, and the Fairfax County Police Department. You can read more about the Panel here:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/policecivilianreviewpanel/about-us>

If you would like to be considered for future appointment to the nine-member panel, please send me a resume or bio and a brief note explaining why you'd like to be appointed. Send email to: MtVernon@FairfaxCounty.gov

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