

Transit Transformation Project Meeting: A joint technical work group meeting was held this week between Locality CAOs, HRT Management and Consultants. HRT provided an update on the HRT Strategic Transformation Project including goals of the project and work accomplished to date, final transit plan results and potential fiscal implications. Next steps require HRT to continue coordination with the localities pertaining to the Transit Transformational Project and secure agreement on regional transit service standards.

St. Paul's Transformation Partner Meetings: The St. Paul's Transformation team held a series of partner meetings this week around People First and Neighborhood, two of the three focus areas of the \$30 million Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI) grant focused on the transformation of Tidewater Gardens. People First Empowered by USI hosted a series of meetings that laid the foundation for a strong service partner network to serve the residents of Tidewater Gardens for the next six years. The series began by engaging with leverage partners and community anchors followed by an information session on the recently released service provider [Request for Qualifications \(RFQ\)](#), which is the first step in procuring exceptional service providers through People First. Finally, a series of meetings were held that included community partners from USI's core pillars of work: education, health and wellness, economic mobility, and faith partners. Councilwoman Graves was in attendance to welcome the partners and emphasize the importance of their valued commitment to the transformation. Additionally, the redevelopment team held meetings around potential community partners and tenants of the catalytic community hub, which is a key piece of the Critical Community Improvement plan within the overall CNI transformation plan.



Broad Creek Plan Refresh: The Department of City Planning has been asked to embark on a community-driven "refresh" of the 2004 Broad Creek Plan (*Broad Creek Revitalization & Implementation Plan Book*). There has been a major transformation of the Broad Creek community since the adoption of the Plan in 2004. There are new homes, businesses, the Kroc Center, a new school and library, parks, and other significant additions. As a result, some of the Plan elements have changed, such as the actual location of the new school and library, and other issues, such as the plans for the industrial areas and some of the commercial nodes, still need attention. Revisiting the Plan with the community will lead to a revised vision and direction for plan implementation. The City will kick off a study in early 2020, working with the community and other stakeholders, to identify and address issues and opportunities. Major Plan revisions are anticipated that City Council will be asked to adopt. Staff is working to develop a project scope and schedule and will forward the information and invitation to participate to City Council.

Park Place Multifamily Zoning: The zoning for the Park Place neighborhood is generally split between single family and multifamily zones (ST-T and MF-NS). As new investment has occurred in Park Place, the character has shifted to more of a single-family pattern in some the areas currently zoned for multifamily uses. Planning staff has been asked to revisit this zoning pattern to see if it is appropriate. Additionally, there are some former institutional uses that are candidates for adaptive reuse. Staff will work with the community to study these issues and make a recommendation regarding the appropriate zoning. Paired with this recommendation will be any other tools that might be necessary, such as the development of a pattern book, to ensure appropriate infill in this established neighborhood. Public outreach and meetings will commence in early 2020.



Budget & Brews Event: Budget Director Greg Patrick hosted the first in a series of Budget & Brews events on Wednesday at O'Connor Brewing Co. The events provide a chance for residents to ask questions about the budget and talk with city staff in an informal setting. Patrick and Public Works Assistant Director Oliver Love spoke with about two dozen residents Wednesday and answered questions on topics ranging from school funding to bike lanes to the city's debt capacity. Events

continue through November at breweries and coffee shops around Norfolk. [Click here](#) for the full schedule of Budget & Brews events.

Diversity and Inclusion Events: On Tuesday, October 29th the City of Norfolk partnered with the Hampton Roads Diversity and Inclusion Consortium for the 2019 Pride Service awards luncheon. The luncheon honored six military members who have made significant contributions to diversity and inclusion in Norfolk and throughout the Hampton Roads region.

Later that day, the City's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Team partnered with Norfolk company BIZ Connect to co-host a Civic Dinner at Southern Eats in Downtown Norfolk. The dinner brought together Norfolk residents to discuss diversity and opportunities for increased Inclusion in the city.



Pitch Competition: The Department of Development, along with our partners Hampton Roads Workforce Council, recently held a Pitch Competition at the Southside Aquatics Center. This competition allowed entrepreneurs to pitch their business idea in front of three Judges. With the grant monies received from SunTrust Bank, we were able to award five winners \$1,500, and two honorable mention winners \$500 towards their business. This event closes out our Fall BIZ

Café 3-Part Series and we look forward to hosting again in the Spring of 2020.

Norfolk Happening Now! Upcoming Events for Your Awareness

November 1 (5-7pm) HISTORY, MYSTERY, MURDER AND MAYHEM CEMETERY TOURS @Elmwood Cemetery
Join local historian Robert Hitchings and discover Norfolk's link to the world's most notorious murderers. Resurrect long forgotten tales of crime and chaos and learn where bodies are buried. Explore hauntingly beautiful memorial art and architecture. Material may not be suitable for children under the age of 12.

November 1 (7:30pm – 10p) Kareem Abdul Jabbar, speaker @Attucks Theatre
NBA legend and New York Times best-selling author Kareem Abdul-Jabbar comes to Norfolk's historic Attucks Theatre as part of the Attucks at 100 celebration! Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is the NBA's all-time leading scorer, a six-time NBA champion and the league's only six-time MVP. A respected thinker and speaker, he is a regular contributing columnist for newspapers and magazines around the world, such as The Guardian and The Hollywood Reporter, where he shares his thoughts on some of the most socially relevant and politically controversial topics facing our nation today.

November 2 (9am-12pm) What are you Storing? Clean out event @Community Beach Park
What are you Storing? It's time to clean-out your old hazardous waste! If you have harmful items that are taking up space, don't drop them in your trash can! Items to bring: Batteries, auto fluids & oils, household cleaners, compact fluorescent bulbs, fertilizer & pesticides, paint & paint products, drain cleaners, propane tanks, aerosol cans, and more! Visit Norfolk.gov/KNB or call 757-441-1347.

November 2 (9am-12pm) Living Legacy Grove Tree Planting Event @Poplar Hall Park
Plant a tree and help expand Norfolk's tree canopy! We will plant over 200 native trees and hundreds of perennials and grasses! For more information, visit foneonline.org. Rain dates are 11/16 & 11/23.

November 5 (4pm-6pm) City Council Worksession @ City Hall, 10th Floor

November 7 (8am-10am) Budget & Brews @Coaster Coffee
Join us for a chat over a beer or a coffee at our first ever Budget and Brews series, in breweries and coffee houses throughout Norfolk. Each event will offer an opportunity to discuss specific budget topics with Patrick and representatives from departments around the city. Themes include strengthening our infrastructure, connecting with our residents, and cultivating the arts. We will also take questions and discuss general budget information. Please join us. This location topic is: Cultivate the Arts

November 7 (6pm-7:30pm) Princess Anne Transit Meeting @Jordan-Newby Anchor Branch
Don't miss your chance to help transform Princess Anne Road corridor. Meet with Department of Transit as we provide and discuss improvements along Princess Anne Road. Let's continue working together on pedestrian, bicycle and transit improvements. Visit the project webpage, www.norfolk.gov

Video highlights of the latest happenings in Norfolk!

[Norfolk Supports Small Business – People's Pharmacy](#)

[Human Walk Supports Local Pet Shelters](#)



**SIXTY-DAY TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS AND MEETING TOPICS**

November 5, 2019

WORKSESSION

BRIEFINGS:

- **Year-End Presentation**
- **Multimodal Transportation**
- **Planning Update**
- **Holiday Events**
- **Draft 2020 City Council Meeting Calendar**

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM OCTOBER 24 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **PERFORMANCE COLLISION CENTER AT AUTO CONNECTION (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the repair and maintenance of automobiles at 6336-6532 E. Virginia Beach Blvd
- **CAFÉ STELLA (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow an existing restaurant/coffee shop to expand, operate with Live Entertainment until 2:00 am., and sale alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption at 1907-1909 Colonial Ave
- **BOTTLEBOX (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow for a change of ownership to the existing establishment at 325 W. 21st St, Suite B

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM NOVEMBER 14 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **EAST BEACH LIVING APARTMENTS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community with 96 dwelling units and 4,400 square footage of commercial space on the ground floor at 7950 Shore Dr
- **BRINSHORE DEVELOPMENT (Applicant)** Rezoning, conditional use permit and a development certificate to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community development with 120 dwelling units at 450 Posey Ln
- **7-ELEVEN (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow a new convenience store providing alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption, operating 24-hours and compliance of the existing gas station at 6135 Chesapeake Blvd and 6158 Sewells Point Rd
- **CHECKERED FLAG MOTOR CAR COMPANY (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the existing automobile sales and service establishment to expand the repair facility at 6513, 6517, 6525, 6541 and 6601 E. Virginia Beach Blvd
- **LUCKY STAR-5001 (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing single-family home to operate as a Short-Term Rental Unit (Vacation Rental) at 5001 Killam Ave
- **LUCKY STAR-5003 (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing single-family home to operate as a Short-Term Rental Unit (Vacation Rental) at 5003 Killam Ave

- **LUCKY STAR-5007 (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing single-family home to operate as a Short-Term Rental Unit (Vacation Rental) at 5007 Killam Ave
- **LUCKY STAR-5009 (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing single-family home to operate as a Short-Term Rental Unit (Vacation Rental) at 5009 Killam Ave
- **THE SEA-RENIITY (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing apartment complex to operate as a Short-Term Rental Unit (Vacation Rental) at 1353 East Ocean View Ave
- **THE SEA-CLUSION (Applicant)** conditional use permit to operate a Short-Term Rental Unit (Vacation Rental) at 1357 East Ocean View Ave

November 26, 2019

WORKSESSION

BRIEFINGS:

- **HRBT Lane Structure**

FORMAL MEETING: VOTE – Legislative Package

December 3, 2019

WORKSESSION

BRIEFINGS:

- **Planning Update**

December 10, 2019 (Final Meeting of 2019)

WORKSESSION

BRIEFINGS:

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM DECEMBER 12 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** text amendment to the *Norfolk Zoning Ordinance* to revise and remove inconsistent definitions and fix clerical errors in Section 3.9.6.B, “Definitions”, Section 3.9.7.G, “Definitions”, Section 5.7.3, “Definition of Terms”, and Section 8.3.2 “Terms Defined”
- **THE MONUMENT COMPANIES (Applicant)** change of zoning and conditional use permit to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community with 68 dwelling units at 435 Virginia Ave
- **NJOY CHURCH (Applicant)** change of zoning to create a single-family zoning lot at 112 E Bayview Blvd
- **POPPEE ANGEL, LLC (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the operation of an automobile storage lot at 5570 Raby Rd
- **DROOFIN, INC. (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow an office/warehouse to offer online sales of wine and beer for off premises consumption at 2550 Ellsmere Ave, Suite E
- **416 APHRODITE, INC (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow a restaurant where seats will not be provided for at least 80 percent of patrons to operate with live entertainment and amusement or gaming devices until 2am at 200 E. Plume St
- **NEON HOUSE (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the operation of a banquet hall with live entertainment and alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at 819 Granby St
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** vacate a portion of Mayflower Rd to allow for the construction of a new sanitary pump station to provide improved service to the Colonial Place neighborhood

Articles of Interest



[Another summer of flooding should be a wake-up call to redesign our communities](#)

Investing in more resilient infrastructure—including new green designs and technologies—is key to addressing long-term risks, even from daily rainfall.



[Bloomberg Philanthropies Launches Asphalt Art Initiative, Providing Cities How-To Guidance to Transform Streets and Public Spaces with Artwork](#)

Bloomberg Philanthropies will award grants to 10 U.S. cities for new artistic street and public space projects in cities inspired by the Guide.



[Inside the College Football Game-Day Housing Boom](#)

Game-day housing demands are driving up rents, hollowing out neighborhoods, and stoking the real estate market for second homes aimed at alumni fans

