

St. Paul's Advisory Committee Meeting: The Mayor's St. Paul's Advisory Committee convened virtually on May 19th for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted operations in March. People First Empowered by USI provided an update on COVID-19 outreach efforts in the community conducting COVID-related needs surveys with households and connecting them with services and resources around housing stability, food security, education, and health. NRHA provided an update on the status of relocation and discussed the moratorium currently in place on evictions with the committee. NRHA, the City, and Brinshore provided an update on city infrastructure work, demolition, initial designs of blocks 17 and 18 located immediately south of the Hampton Roads Transit Center, and the future of community engagement. Chairperson Graves led productive conversations on these efforts with the committee. The next meeting will be held virtually in June.

The Coronavirus Relief Task Force: The City of Norfolk was informed May 12th of a \$21.2 million allocation of CARES Act funding through the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) to prepare, prevent, and respond to Coronavirus. The use of this funding is restricted by US Treasury guidelines and expires on December 30, 2020. It cannot be used for revenue replacement. The city is developing a spend plan for this funding and will be providing an update to City Council on June 2nd. Additional stimulus funding has also been identified this month for Ryan White HIV services (\$272k), Fire-Rescue PPE and medical supplies (\$193k), and Economic Development Revolving Loan Funds (\$500k).

Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC): The Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC) met via conference call recently for the first time since February to vote on a number of items important to HRPDC's ability to operate as normally as possible in the current environment. The voting items for Commission approval included the HRPDC Work Plan and budget for FY 2021, both adjusted in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The Commission approved a budget for FY 2021, which includes a number of cost saving measures implemented in response to the current financial landscape. The Commission will revisit the budget in October 2020 to address any necessary updates in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission (HRTAC): On Thursday, May 28, Mayor Alexander and staff attended the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission (HRTAC) meeting. HRTAC received an update on the Master Tolling Agreement between VDOT and HRTAC for the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel Expansion Project. Information was also provided regarding revenue projections for bonding capacity as it relates to the travel changes related to COVID-19.

Hampton Roads Transit (HRT) Commission: During this week's meeting, the HRT Commission took action to approve a resolution that will allow HRT to allocate state and federal funds in a manner that will provide localities with relief as it relates to a loss of recordation tax that has historically been used to support HRT and other transportation needs. In addition, HRT provided an update on their Transit Transformation Study that provides a blueprint for improving regional transit service. HRT has worked collaboratively with the City of Norfolk's Multimodal Transportation Master Plan to incorporate our city's transit system redesign.

BUILD Grant: The City of Norfolk submitted this month an application requesting \$14.4 million in BUILD funding for roadway improvements as part of the St. Paul’s Transformation Project. The \$20.6 million project will be Phase 2 for roadway improvements in the area. The project includes 7,000 linear feet of roadway within the Tidewater Gardens area. The project will also provide sidewalks, pedestrian accommodations, bicycle facilities, stormwater improvements, and landscaping. Design will begin in July 2020 with an anticipated construction start in Summer 2022.

Virginia Beach Boulevard/Newtown Road Project: Construction is starting on the City’s first SMART Scale Project, Virginia Beach Boulevard Improvements at Newtown Road. The \$3.5 million project will remove the feeder lanes on the westbound lanes of Virginia Beach Boulevard between Clarence Street and Newtown Road. The project will include sidewalk and pedestrian improvements, utility, and stormwater improvements. Turn lane improvements and a new traffic signal will be constructed at the Newtown Road intersection. Construction is anticipated to complete in Summer 2021.

VDOT Quarterly Executive Meeting: City staff participated in a quarterly meeting with VDOT this week. VDOT provided an update on the Hampton Roads Express Lanes Network traffic modelling efforts. Data collection is underway and due to complete in September 2020. The City was also provided an update on the HRBT Expansion Project specifically regarding the Bird Management Plan. The I-564 Intermodal Connector project is wrapping up construction and the Gate 6 ramp and signal is scheduled to be complete in August 2020. VDOT confirmed that any roadway projects currently funded would not be impacted, only new projects were in jeopardy of funding impacts. Norfolk is among VDOT District’s top local performers with the Dashboard for Project Development at 80% and Project Delivery at 100%.

Development Department Outreach and Engagement: Since the beginning of the pandemic over 981 businesses were contacted and 345 are currently engaged and serviced by the Department. 86% of the businesses engaged and serviced, have fewer than 50 employees. The focus on small businesses is intentional as they tend to have fewer resources and are eligible for SBA and City loan assistance. 46% of the businesses engaged and serviced have been moderately or severely impacted by restrictions related to COVID-19 and have been flagged for continued monitoring. The Development Department continues to contact businesses in all sectors with a focus on businesses in those sectors that are seemingly the most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, that are considered basic industries, and that have the greatest fiscal impact on the City. Of the businesses contacted, the top five sectors are: Accommodation & Food Services; Retail Trade; Manufacturing; Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services; and Construction.

Ohio Creek Watershed Project Update: The City of Norfolk continues work in earnest on the Ohio Creek Watershed Project in the Chesterfield Heights and Grandy Village communities. A state of art pump station and stormwater outflow system are being constructed and installed at the end of Ballentine Boulevard on the Eastern Branch Elizabeth River. This project will implement a distributed, replicable, and community-oriented approach to resiliency including this integrated flood control system to account for expected increases in the frequency and intensity of precipitation events. Stormwater improvements on Ballentine Boulevard are expected to be complete and the street reopen by the end of June 2020. The pump station is scheduled to be complete by April 2022.



Video highlights of the latest happenings in Norfolk!

Community Leaders COVID-19 Test

Norfolk Happening Now! Upcoming Virtual Events for Your Awareness

May 30 & June 6 Storytelling with Atumpan the Talking Drums **@Norfolk Public Library Facebook page**

Teaching artists Corey and LaQuita Marie Staten have been longtime favorites at Norfolk Public Library, and now they are bringing their high-energy, educational programs online! Join us for rhythmic drumming and African storytelling. These events are sure to entertain all age groups!

June 2 & 4 Master Your Money Virtual Series: Negotiating with Creditors **@Bank On Hampton Roads**

Bank On virtual series continues with Negotiating with Creditors: how to avoid negative credit reporting. Participants [must register online](#).

June 2 (4pm) Norfolk City Council Worksession – City Hall Building, 10th Floor

June 3 Help! I've Got a Theatre Kid! – A Panel for Parents **@Virginia Stage Company virtual event**

This panel of theatre parents, educators, national experts, and former theatre kids share tips for dealing with your young creative one. From at-home activities to local options for classes to get them on track for the right performance possibilities - this panel conversation with Q & A will provide some new ways of better supporting your creative student. Note - This panel is about supporting all theatre kids -Those who may choose a theatre career track, but also the many who may become lawyers, chefs, entrepreneurs, teachers, and so much more! Free. [Register online](#).

June 4 Yoga on the Water (Virtual) **@ Virtual FB Live Stream from Nauticus Pier**

Join us for our first #STLYoga community takeover class on the water as we partner with Nauticus! Friends can practice near + far so share this event with a loved one and let's practice together virtually with a beautiful view!

June 4 Connie Ralston The Drum Lady **@Norfolk Public Library Facebook page**

Connie Ralston is the lady with more than a thousand drums! Tune into NPL's Facebook on Thursday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. for music, drumming and enchanted stories with Connie!



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

City Council Meetings will be held electronically for the foreseeable future

June 2, 2020

WORKSESSION BRIEFINGS:

- Reopening Norfolk

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM MAY 28 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** text amendment to the Norfolk Zoning Ordinance to more clearly address parking and vehicle storage paving requirements
- **KARINA MICHELE PERMANENT COSMETICS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow for the operation of a new tattoo parlor at 738 W 22nd St
- **SANCTUARY (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the restaurant to operate with live entertainment until 2:00am at 2330 Bowdens Ferry Rd, Bldg. 100
- **THE SLOWDIVE GALLERY (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the restaurant to operate with live entertainment until 2:00 am at 117 E. Princess Anne Rd
- **GRANDIFLORA (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the restaurant to sale alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption at 1231 Boissevain Ave
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** to vacate the right-of-way at 4th Bay St, south of East Ocean View Ave and north of Pretty Lake Ave
- **HADI MAKHOUL (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the operation of a Commercial Recreation Center at 6586 Tidewater Dr, Suite I & J
- **COLLEY SHOP (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the operation of a Convenience store with amusement or gaming devices and sale of tobacco product at 4800 Colley Ave, Unit A & B
- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** text amendment to the Norfolk Zoning Ordinance to modify minimum parking requirements for commercial recreation centers
- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION**, for a text amendment to the Norfolk Zoning Ordinance to modify the city's short-term rental regulations
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** amendments to the Future Land Use Map within the City's General Plan, plaNorfolk2030 from Industrial and Utility/Transportation to Residential Mixed at 1200 Goff St, 1351 and 1371 Hanson Ave, 1401 and 1445 Maltby Ave, 1416 Cary Ave, and 1525 and 1535 Saint Julian Ave; from Residential Mixed to Institutional at 2700 E. Princess Anne Rd; from Single Family Traditional to Open Space/Recreation at 2707, 2711, 2727, 2729, 2737, and 2739 E. Princess Anne Rd, SS E. Princess Anne Rd, NS Hollister Ave, SS E. Princess Anne Rd, SS E.

Princess Anne Rd, 1209 and 1215 Norchester Ave, 2738 and 2744 Hollister Ave, and NS Hollister Ave

- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** change of zoning from I-G and I-L to MF- at 1200 Goff St, 1351 and 1371 Hanson Ave, 1401 and 1445 Maltby Ave, 1416 Cary Ave, 1525 and 1535 Saint Julian Ave, and 1445 Roberts Rd; from I-L and PD-BCR to IN at 2700 E. Princess Anne Rd; from C-C and SF-T to OSP at 2707, 2711, 2727, 2729, 2737, and 2739 E. Princess Anne Rd, SS E. Princess Anne Rd, NS Hollister Ave, SS E. Princess Anne Rd, SS E. Princess Anne Rd, 1209 and 1215 Norchester Ave, 2738 and 2744 Hollister Ave, and NS Hollister Ave
- **THE PATHWAY REALTY GROUP LLC (Applicant)** change of zoning from R-C to Conditional C-C at 7911-7915 Shore Dr and 7920-7930 Ransom Rd
- **THE PATHWAY REALTY GROUP LLC (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the construction of 90 multi-family dwelling units at 7911-7915 Shore Drive and 7920-7930 Ransom Road
- **FORT TAR LOFTS (Applicant)** conditional use permit each unit of the existing building at 1001 Monticello Ave to operate as Short-Term Rental Units
- **POPPEE ANGEL, LLC (Applicant)** conditional use permit to operate an automobile storage lot at 5570 Raby Rd
- **GREEN CLEAN CAR WASH (Applicant)** conditional use permit to operate a car wash facility at 3401 N. Military Hwy
- **MARKETPLACE SOUPS & SALAD (Applicant)** conditional use permits at 255 Granby St to allow the operation of a Convenience store with the sale of alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption and the sale of smoking or vaping products
- **RITE AID CORPORATION (Applicant)** conditional use permits at 525 W. 21st St to allow the addition of a commercial drive-through to an existing Rite Aid
- **THE FISHIN' PIG (Applicant)** conditional use permits at 115 W. 25th St to allow the restaurant to operate with live entertainment until 2:00am
- **#1 SPACE (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the art gallery to have live entertainment at 880 N. Military Hwy
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** vacate portions of the right-of-way of Posey Ln between the Transit Center and Fenchurch Street to facilitate the redevelopment of the road network in support of the St. Paul's Choice Neighborhood Initiative
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** vacate portions of the right-of-way of Fenchurch St between Wood St and the proposed extension of Freemason St to facilitate the redevelopment of the road network in support of the St. Paul's Choice Neighborhood Initiative.
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** vacate portions of the right-of-way of Charlotte St between Fenchurch St and Chapel St to facilitate the redevelopment of the road network in support of the St. Paul's Choice Neighborhood Initiative
- **CITY OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** vacate portions of the right-of-way of Chapel St between Mariner St and Holt St to facilitate the redevelopment of the road network in support of the St. Paul's Choice Neighborhood Initiative.

June 9, 2020

Formal Meeting @7pm

June 23, 2020

Formal Meeting @7pm

July 7, 2020

WORKSESSION BRIEFINGS:

July 14, 2020

Formal Meeting @7pm

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM JUNE 25 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** general plan amendment to Appendix B within *plaNorfolk2030* to adopt the *Design Principles for Multi-Family Development*
- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** general plan amendment to Appendix C within *plaNorfolk2030* to repeal *A Plan for Downtown Norfolk 2020* and adopt *A Vision for the Next Decade: Norfolk 2030*.
- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** text amendment to the Norfolk Zoning Ordinance to allow health and fitness facility by Conditional Use Permit in HC-WF1 (West Freemason Historic and Cultural Conservation) district.
- **358 AT FREEMASON LLC (Applicant)** conditional use permit to operate a health and fitness facility at 358 W. Freemason St
- **TESSERACT RENTALS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing apartment complex to operate short-term rental units at 1900 Kingston Avenue.
- **TESSERACT RENTALS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing apartment complex to operate short-term rental units at 1367 E. Ocean View Avenue.
- **TESSERACT RENTALS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing apartment complex to operate short-term rental units at 1033 Little Bay Avenue.
- **GREEN CLEAN CAR WASH (Applicant)** conditional use permit to operate a car wash facility at 7442 Tidewater Dr
- **TRU BY HILTON NORFOLK AIRPORT (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the sale alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption for the hotel at 1571 Premium Outlets Blvd
- **BROTHERS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to operate a nightclub at 200 E. Plume St

City Council Recess – July 28 to August 18