

Governor's Announcement on Climate Change and Sea Level Rise: Governor Northam visited Norfolk this week for an important announcement on the Commonwealth's plans to combat climate change and sea level rise. Mayor Alexander provided remarks on the many initiatives already in motion in the City highlighting the Ohio Creek Watershed Project and planning for the first segment of the Coastal Storm Risk Management plan with an extension of the downtown floodwall. The Virginia Coastal Resilience Master Planning Framework lays out the Commonwealth's approach to coastal protection and adaptation which will make coastal communities and economies more resilient to increased flooding. This document was created pursuant to Executive Order 24, which was signed in November of 2018, and is the result of nearly two years of hard work among state agencies, local and regional partners, and stakeholders. This Framework establishes the goals, objectives, guiding principles, and key actions the Commonwealth will pursue to enhance coastal resilience, with a focus on protecting key assets, developing cost-effective strategies, conserving and enhancing natural flood controls, and ensuring equity for underserved communities. In the coming months, efforts to implement this Framework will drive creation of a full, project-focused Coastal Resilience Master Plan.



Department of Human Services' Prisoner Re-entry Team: The Team has expanded its services to help even more people, including anyone with a criminal history, recent or long past, along with adults with child support cases who are non-custodial parents, and youth and young adults who are transitioning out of foster care. The group updated its name to the CARES T.E.A.M. The acronym stands for the unit's missions: Career and Readiness Employment Services; Transition Forward | Engage More | Achieve Independence | Move Beyond. Norfolk's prisoner re-entry program began as a pilot and is now among the oldest and largest in the state. Now, re-entry programming is mandated statewide. This shift in philosophy -- from punishment to preparation -- has paid off: In February, the state Department of Corrections announced that Virginia's recidivism rate of about 23 percent was the lowest in the United States for the fourth year in a row. Link to video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e3jkQfu9rKs>



The Dogwood Award – Virginia's Citizen Planners of the Year: Olde Huntersville Plan Book: The City of Norfolk and the Olde Huntersville Civic League received the Citizen Planners of the Year Award by American Planning Association (APA) - Virginia Chapter for the Olde Huntersville Plan Book. APA recognized the plan book for its citizen involvement to better their community with the City's help. The Civic League, together with the City and Work Program Architects (WPA), worked to develop the plan book consisting of a set of free house plans that help expedite construction of new homes on the narrow lots in Huntersville. The process ensures new construction in the community is in keeping with the neighborhood's established architecture, while making the process easier for builders and affordable for potential homeowners. To date, 25 new homes have been constructed or are under construction or review. *(The screenshot is hyperlinked to the video on the City's YouTube channel)*



Economic Development Department Awarded Three International Awards: Norfolk’s business retention and expansion activities during Covid-19 have resulted in two international awards. The International Economic Development Council (IEDC) awarded Norfolk with a Gold Excellence in Economic Development Award for the “COVID-19 Business Retention and Recovery project” – Resiliency, Recovery and Mitigation, Population 200,000 - 500,000. The Business Retention & Expansion International organization recognized Norfolk with its “Community Impact Award” for the Multi-jurisdictional category based upon its strategy to work with regional organizations in partnership to accomplish shared goals. A Silver Excellence in Economic Development Award was received from the IEDC for the NorfolkDevelopment.com website. The website is a staff product and was developed with Agile principles and processes within six weeks.

Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO): During the recent HRTPO Board Meeting, representatives from Hampton Roads Transit and the Williamsburg Area Transit Authority presented the plans and opportunities for their respective systems. Suffolk Transit will present its long-term plan during the next HRTPO Board meeting. HRTPO board members also approved the region’s legislative priorities for transportation that will be presented to the Hampton Roads Caucus of the General Assembly and the Hampton Roads Congressional Delegation.

Little Creek Road/Admiral Taussig Intersection Improvements Project: The Little Creek Road/Admiral Taussig Intersection Improvements project near Wards Corner will replace existing span wire traffic signals with mast arms and upgrade pedestrian accommodations. Construction work will begin in November 2020 and is expected to complete in Summer 2021. Lane closures are anticipated as part of the project. At least one lane in each direction will remain open at all times. Access to commercial entrances will be maintained during construction. More information on the project can be found on the Citywide Major Improvement Projects website: The project information sheet is posted at <https://www.norfolk.gov/DocumentCenter/View/58965/Little-Creek-Adm-Taussig>

Norfolk Happening Now! Upcoming Events for Your Awareness

FREE Fresh Farmer's Market - provided by FoodBank of SEVA

Saturday, October 24 (9 AM – 12 PM)

6123 Sewells Point Rd

FREE Pop-up Farmer's Market. Free Fresh Produce, Games & Activities for kids, Botanical DIY Mask Making Kits, Nutritional Guidance, Voter Registration and more!

We Demand: Women's Suffrage in Virginia

Through November 3 (11 AM– 4 PM)

Slover Library

Denied a voice, they refused to be silent. "We Demand: Women's Suffrage in Virginia," a free exhibition from the Library of Virginia, commemorates the centennial of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution that granted women the right to vote. "We Demand" travels to Norfolk, VA from September 29 – November 3 to display in the first floor Forum of Slover Library. The exhibition is free and open to the public during library hours.

Dogtoberfest

Saturday, October 24 (1 PM – 5 PM)

Elation Brewing

Celebrate the season by bringing your dog(s) to Elation Brewing at our 7th annual fundraising event, Saturday, Oct. 24, 1-5. Every purchase of their special Mutt Lager will mean a donation to NACC. There will be a Mutt Halloween costume contest, too.

Hurrah Players Present: Seize the Day Cabaret

Saturday, October 24 (1 PM – 2:15 PM)

Virginia Arts Festival Courtyard

Contact-Free Out Door Theater. A Cabaret for all ages! From Disney to Hamilton, this show has a bit of everything and ends with a fun Fall Finale.

PantOne with the Rhythm Project All Stars

Saturday, October 24 (1 PM – 7 PM)

The Plot

An exhibition and sale of local artwork, featuring music and spoken word throughout the day.

Drive Thru Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 24 (5:30 PM – 8:30 PM)

Lake Taylor High School

Looking for a fun and safe outdoor Halloween experience? Come out to the Drive-thru Trunk or Treat, October 24th from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Lake Taylor High School, 1384 Kempsville Road. Put on your favorite costume (zombies are welcome, your choice!) and decorate your vehicle. Everyone must remain in a vehicle. Walk-ups are not permitted. Registration is required per vehicle. Register at [NorfolkTrunkorTreat.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/norfolk-trunk-or-treat-2021).



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

City Council Meetings will be held electronically for the foreseeable future

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM SEPTEMBER 24 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **CITY WALK THREE, LLC (Applicant)** vacate a certain portion of the right-of-way of Waterside Dr between Atlantic St and Commercial Pl to facilitate a new development on the adjacent parcel
- **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.
- **THE PATHWAY REALTY GROUP, LLC (Applicant)** amend the conditions of a previous change of zoning at 7911-7915 Shore Dr and 7920-7930 Ransom Rd

October 27, 2020

INFORMAL BRIEFINGS:

- **Downtown Plan 2030**
- **SPSA Update**
- **Multimodal Plan Update**

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM OCTOBER 22 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **THE LOUNGE OF NORFOLK (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow a smoking or vaping lounge at 7921 Old Ocean View Ave
- **COLLEY AVENUE TATTOO (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the operation of a new tattoo parlor at 4701 Colley Ave
- **ASHLEY'S AUTO SALES (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the operation of automobile sales at 6401 E. Virginia Beach Blvd

November 3, 2020

WORK SESSION BRIEFINGS:

- **Introduction to Peggy Dye, CEO and General Director, Virginia Opera**
- **Norfolk 17 Artwork Update**
- **Legislative Package**
- **City Council Concerns**

November 10, 2020

INFORMAL BRIEFINGS:

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UPCOMING ITEMS FROM OCTOBER 22 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **358 AT FREEMASON, LLC (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the operate of a Short-Term Rental Unit on the 3rd floor of the existing building at 358 W. Freemason St
- **BRINSHORE DEVELOPMENT (Applicant)** change of zoning, conditional use permit and development certificate to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community at 434 Saint Paul’s Blvd (Block 17 of the Saint Paul’s Redevelopment, Phase 1)
- **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
- **ROSS VIERRA (Applicant)** change of zoning to allow the operation of a farmer’s market at 708 E. 26th St
- **JON RIZZO (Applicant)** change of zoning and conditional use permit to allow the operation of short-term rental units at 930 Redgate Ave
- **TESSERACT RENTALS (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the existing apartment complex to operate short-term rental units at 1033 Little Bay Ave
- **BRINSHORE DEVELOPMENT, LLC (Applicant)** change of zoning, conditional use permits and development certificate to allow the construction of a multi-family apartment community at 434 Saint Paul’s Blvd (Block 18 of the Saint Paul’s Redevelopment, Phase 1)
- **TITAN HOLDINGS 8 INVESTMENTS, LLC (Applicant)** change of zoning to allow the construction of a duplex at 2811 Chesapeake Blvd

November 24, 2020

INFORMAL BRIEFINGS:

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UPCOMING ITEMS FROM NOVEMBER 12 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **CITY PLANNING COMMISSION (Applicant)** text amendments to create, define, and establish performance standards for “Casino” and to allow the use in certain Downtown Base Zoning Districts and to adjust performance standards for “Commercial recreation center” and “Amusement or gaming device,” as a result of changes in state law and the potential approval of casino gaming upon a referendum vote by the citizens of Norfolk.
- **BREEDEN INVESTMENT PROPERTIES, INC. (Applicant)** amendment to future land use map, rezoning and conditional use permit to allow the development of a multifamily community with 180 dwelling units at 1040, 1060, 1080 and NS Kempsville Rd and 6070 and 6090 Airway Ln
- **CHENMAN II (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the construction of a multifamily apartment community development with 100 dwelling units at 601 W 24th St


THE CITY OF NORFOLK
 PUBLIC WORKS
Major Improvement Projects Dashboard

[Citywide Improvement Projects and Map](#)

Image	Project	Project Location	Project Overview	Current Status	Estimated Completion	Budget
	Botanical Garden Cobblestone Bridge Replacement	6700 Azalea Garden Road	Replace deteriorated bridge structure and repair adjacent sections of canal bulkhead.	Bidding	Late 2022	\$2,000,000
	Chrysler Hall Complex Improvements	215 St. Paul's Boulevard	Updating facility with various interior and exterior improvements	On Hold	Late 2023	\$4,000,000
	Fire-Rescue Station #11 Replacement	3127 Verdun Avenue	Design and Construction of new Fire-Station #11 to replace existing station	Under Design	Late 2022	\$5,500,000
	Fire-Rescue Training Tower	Granby Street & Thole Street	Assess and develop a site to facilitate fire-rescue training, including the design and construction of a new training tower and building.	Bidding	Late 2021	\$1,200,000
	Five Points Resurfacing	Chesapeake Boulevard between Hyde Circle and Green Street, including the Five Points Intersection.	Reconstruct the concrete intersection with asphalt. Curbs and gutters will be replaced for better storm water mitigation. Pedestrian safety enhancements will also be added, included the installation of ADA ramps.	Bidding	Early 2022	\$2,900,000
	City Hall South Garage Demo	999 East Main Street	Demolition of garage and construction of new parking lot	Complete	Mid 2020	\$290,000
	Southside Library (Richard A Tucker Memorial Library)	2350 Berkley Avenue Ext.	Construction of new Branch/Neighborhood Library	Under Construction	Early 2021	\$8,000,000
	NDRC Ohio Creek Watershed Project	Chesterfield Heights and Grandy Village	Coastal improvement project to reduce flooding, improve public spaces and ensure these communities thrive for years to come.	Under Construction	Late 2022	\$112,000,000
	Granby Street Bridge Repairs	Lafayette River between E 42nd St and Willow Wood Drive (over Lafayette River)	Repair key structural components & protect bridge elements from deterioration	Under Construction	Late 2022	\$7,000,000

	North Bound Hampton Blvd. Bridge Rehab	Hampton Blvd. and Claud Ln.	This project will improve the condition of the North Bound Hampton Blvd. Bridge, by repairing key structural components and protecting them from deterioration.	Under Design	Early 2023	\$7,000,000
	Regent Road & West Belvedere Road Dredging	Regent Road and West Belvedere Rd	Dredging and Beach Improvements	Complete	Mid 2020	\$800,000
	Campostella Bridge Rehabilitation	Campostella Road & Kimball Terrace	Repair key structural components and upgrade guardrail to meet VDOT standards	Under Design	Late 2022	\$7,000,000
	W 38th St Median Improvements	West 38th Street between Bluestone Avenue and Parker Avenue	Enhancement & improvement to median. ADA ramps replacement; median curb replacement; diseased median trees replacement	Complete	Mid 2020	\$700,000
	Toler Place - Breakwater Modifications	11th View Street and West Ocean View Avenue	Installation of new offshore breakwater & modification of existing offshore breakwater to protect shoreline at 11th View St along Toler Pl. Extend existing storm water outfall at 11th View St.	Complete	Mid 2020	\$1,400,000
	East Ocean View Recreation Center- Seniors Facility Upgrades	9520 20th Bay Street	Remodel and expand kitchen with new appliances, cabinetry; new flooring and lighting; installation of barrier free stalls, handrails at entry staircases, and ADA curb cuts in parking lot.	Complete	Mid 2020	\$380,000
	Huntersville Pool Relater & Deck Replacement	Goff St and O'Keefe Street	Install a new surface in the pool basin and replace the adjacent pool deck	Complete	Early 2020	\$213,000
	Plum Point Park Kayak Launch	Fort Norfolk: Elizabeth River & east end of Plum Pt. Park (Brambleton Ave and behind Fort Norfolk Medical Plaza)	Provide ADA accessible pier and kayak launch off Elizabeth River Trail. Will connect to existing Elizabeth River Trail and parking lot near Fort Norfolk Medical Plaza.	Complete	Early 2020	\$210,000
	E Little Creek/Admiral Taussig Blvd Intersection Improvement.	East Little Creek Road and Admiral Taussig Boulevard	Intersection improvements, including traffic signal upgrades and pedestrian accommodations	Under Construction	Late 2021	\$950,000
	W Ocean View Avenue/Tidewater Drive Intersection	W. Ocean View Ave & Tidewater Drive	Replace W. Ocean View Flyover with at-grade crossing/lighted intersection	Under Construction	Late 2020	\$3,200,000
	Sidewalk Infrastructure - Citywide	Various locations	Add new sidewalk at Ingleside Road (Gatling-Karlin), Easy Street/Tidewater Dr, Little Creek Road (Chesapeake Blvd-Carlton St), Princess Anne Rd (Shelton Ave-Fleetwood Ave), Sewells Point Rd (Princess Anne Rd-Azalea Garden Rd), Indian River Rd (Wilson Rd-Marsh St).	Under Design	Mid 2022	\$2,550,000
	North Colley Ave Streetscape Improvements	Colley Avenue & 43rd Street	Streetscape improvements along Colley Ave north of 38th Street.	Under Construction	Late 2020	\$600,000