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Henrico to host public design sessions for study areas along West Broad, Parham

Henrico County will hold a design charrette Jan. 28-Feb. 1 to present ideas and receive public input on study areas in western and central Henrico.

A charrette is an intensive planning session that encourages public participation and facilitates collaboration between residents and designers on a vision for development. Participants can share ideas and will have the opportunity to provide immediate feedback to designers.



Parham-W Broad Study



Brookfield Study Area

Areas to be studied are a section of business properties generally located within a half-mile of the intersection of Parham Road and West Broad Street; and the Brookfield Office Park and adjacent residential properties, generally bounded by West Broad, Dickens and Bethlehem roads, and Interstate 64. The schedule and locations for the charrette are:

- Kickoff and hands-on design session: Monday, Jan. 28, 6-9 p.m.; Henrico Training Center, 7701 E. Parham Road.
- **Open design studio:** Tuesday, Jan. 29 through Thursday, Jan. 31, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Libbie Mill Library, large meeting room, 2100 Libbie Lake East St.
- Work-in-progress presentation: Friday, Feb. 1, 6-8 p.m.; Henrico Government Center Board Room, 4301 E. Parham Road.

Additional information is available from Henrico's Planning Department at (804) 501-4602 and on the public design charrette webpage.

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Short Pump Firehouse 19 receives Gold rating for environmentally friendly design

Short Pump Firehouse 19 has earned LEED Gold certification from the U.S. Green Building Council for its environmentally friendly design and construction.

Firehouse 19 represents the 16th Henrico County government or school building to earn LEED certification since 2011. It also is the county's seventh to be recognized at the Gold level — the second highest class of certification. LEED, which stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, is the recognized standard for excellence in green building.

"Henrico County is proud to add to its inventory of buildings intentionally designed for energy efficiency and sustainability," said John H. Neal Jr., director of the Department of General Services, which oversees the planning, design and construction of county facilities. "These buildings underscore Henrico's commitment to providing facilities that meet our day-to-day operational needs while also serving the long-term best interests of our employees, taxpayers and the environment."



Firehouse 19, which encompasses 11,000 square feet, opened in March on a 4-acre site northwest of Kain and North Gayton roads. The facility qualified for LEED status based on its adherence to design and construction requirements across a variety of categories: site sustainability; water efficiency; energy efficiency; materials and resources; indoor environmental quality; and innovation.

Based on its overall design, Firehouse 19 is

projected to use 27 percent less energy than it would have if it had been built to minimum code standards. The building features controllable LED lighting to limit energy use and low-emitting building materials to protect indoor air quality. In addition, low-flow plumbing fixtures are estimated to save almost 60,000 gallons of water per year compared to standard fixtures.

Other aspects of the project limited its overall impact on the environment. An estimated 35 percent of building materials used in the project were sourced and manufactured in the region. In addition, 88 percent of its construction waste was reused or recycled, minimizing the impact on area landfills.

Henrico's LEED-certified government and school buildings

- Holman Middle School, LEED Silver (2011)
- Glen Allen High School, LEED Gold (2011)
- Glen Allen Branch Library, LEED Silver (2012)
- Firehouse 12, LEED Gold (2012)
- Firehouse 13, LEED Gold (2013)
- Eastern Henrico Recreation Center, LEED Silver (2014)
- Gayton Branch Library, LEED Silver (2014)
- Kaechele Elementary School, LEED Silver (2014)
- Firehouse 7, LEED Silver (2014)
- Henrico Health Department East Clinic, LEED Gold (2015)
- Firehouse 3, LEED Silver (2016)
- Crestview Firehouse 10, LEED Gold (2016)
- Libbie Mill Library, LEED Silver (2017)
- Varina Area Library, LEED Silver (2017)
- Regency Area Firehouse 9, LEED Gold (2017)
- Short Pump Firehouse 19, LEED Gold (2019)

Jan. 23, 2019

CONTACT: Ed Olsen, Extension Agent for Agriculture & Natural Resources, Henrico County office of Virginia Cooperative Extension

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Richmond Area Vegetable Conference set for Feb. 21

The 2019 Richmond Area Vegetable Conference will be held Thursday, Feb. 21 in Henrico County to provide updates and information on topics related to vegetable farming.

The conference, which is open at no cost to attendees, will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Strawberry Room of the Eastern Henrico Recreation Center, 1440 N. Laburnum Ave.

Specialists from Virginia Tech and local agents from the Virginia Cooperative Extension will discuss such topics as food safety rules, pesticide use, organic produce growing practices, disease controls and insect pest management.

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will offer free certifications of produce scales used at farmers' markets and roadside stands. Attendees also will receive a sponsored lunch and be eligible to earn Private Pesticide Certification credits for Category 90.

Registration is requested by Friday, Feb. 15 by calling the Henrico Extension office at (804) 501-5160 or by sending an email to edo@vt.edu. Anyone with a disability may request an assistive device, service or accommodation by calling (804) 501-5160 by Friday, Feb. 15.

Jan. 14, 2019

CONTACT: Jon Clary, Solid Waste Division Director, Henrico County Department of Public

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Icy road conditions impacting trash, leaf pickup for some Henrico County customers

Some Henrico County refuse-collection customers scheduled for pickup today will have their trash collected Tuesday, according to the county's Department of Public Utilities (DPU).

A delayed county opening due to icy road conditions Monday morning will prevent county crews from completing some routes by dark today. Unfinished routes will be completed first Tuesday

morning before crews resume their regular pickup schedule. DPU does not anticipate additional impacts to its refuse-collection schedule this week.

The weekend's winter storm also will affect Henrico's free, bagged-leaf collection this week. The second pickup for Area B, which had been set to begin today, is now scheduled to start Monday, Jan. 21 and continue through Sunday, Jan. 27. Crews are finishing bagged-leaf pickups in Area D and Area A this week. A schedule and map of collection zones are available at henrico.us/services/bagged-leaf-collection.

Additional information is available from DPU at (804) 727-8770.

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Tuckahoe Town Meeting Jan. 24 to guide homeowners on various concerns

Tuckahoe District Supervisor Patricia S. O'Bannon will host a Tuckahoe Town Meeting on Thursday, Jan. 24 to guide residents on a variety of homeowner concerns, such as unclogging a sewer pipe, clearing a ditch or advancing a home-improvement project.

The meeting is designed to help residents understand which department of Henrico County they can call for help. The meeting will be held with sessions at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at Tuckahoe Area Library, 1901 Starling Drive.

For more information, call (804) 501-4208 or go to patobannon.com.

Jan. 10, 2019

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Fairfield meeting Jan. 23 to discuss Henrico County Public Schools

Fairfield District Supervisor Frank J. Thornton will hold a constituent meeting Wednesday, Jan. 23 to discuss Henrico County Public Schools (HCPS) and its programs.

The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Eastern Henrico Recreation Center, 1440 N. Laburnum Ave. Thornton will be joined by several HCPS representatives, including Monica Manns, director of equity and diversity; Pamela Bell, director of family engagement; and members of the School Board.

Thornton also will present certificates to members of the Fairfield Citizen Task Force, which advises him on district issues.

For information, call (804) 501-4208.

Jan. 10, 2019

CONTACT: Barbara Herzog, Director, Henrico County Court Appointed Special Advocates PHONE: (804) 501-1671

Henrico CASA seeks volunteers to serve as child advocates Information session set for Jan. 31, training starts Feb. 23 Henrico County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) will hold an information session Thursday, Jan. 31 for people who may be interested in volunteering to work in the court system on behalf of abused or neglected children.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the CASA offices in suite A of the Hungary Spring Office Park, 3001 Hungary Spring Road. To reserve a seat, contact Rebecca Kalman-Winston at (804) 501-1670 or kal001@henrico.us.

Henrico CASA will offer a 14-session training program for new volunteers beginning Saturday, Feb. 23. The classes will be held at Henrico CASA's offices and be followed by a swearing-in ceremony on Wednesday, March 27 at the Henrico Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court.

Henrico CASA is a private, nonprofit organization that has worked closely with the court for more than 23 years. Working typically 10 to 15 hours per month, volunteer advocates gather information on a child's circumstances to supplement information provided to the court. Henrico CASA volunteers served 333 children by donating 14,473 hours during fiscal year 2017-18.

Prospective volunteers must apply by Friday, Feb. 8, be at least 21 years old, have regular access to a computer and attend all training sessions. All applicants will be interviewed, fingerprinted and undergo criminal background and reference checks.

Anyone interested in applying but unable to attend the information session is asked to contact Jeannine Panzera at (804) 501-1673 or pan01@henrico.us. For an application or more information, go to henricocasa.org.

Jan. 9, 2019

CONTACT: Barry R. Lawrence, Clerk, Henrico County Board of Supervisors

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Henrico supervisors elect Nelson chairman, Branin vice chairman for 2019

Varina District Supervisor Tyrone E. Nelson will serve as chairman of the Henrico County Board of Supervisors and Three Chopt District Supervisor Thomas M. Branin will serve as vice chairman for 2019 following their unanimous elections Tuesday. The board selected its leaders for the year during its annual organizational meeting.



Varina District Supervisor Tyrone E. Nelson is sworn in as chairman of the Henrico County Board of Supervisors for 2019. Board Clerk Barry Lawrence administers the oath.

Nelson will serve as chairman for the second time, after previously holding the position in 2016. He served as vice chairman in 2018, while Fairfield District Supervisor Frank J. Thornton was

chairman. Nelson is completing his second term as Varina supervisor, having been elected in 2011 and 2015.

In brief remarks, Nelson highlighted recent accomplishments in such areas as economic development, tourism, schools, public transit and county facilities, and thanked his colleagues for entrusting him with the chairmanship.

"I'm excited about the community that I represent, the team that I work with — our county manager, our staff and my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors. The 2019 calendar year should be an exciting one," Nelson said, referring to work underway on two new high schools, a community aquatics center, upgrades to Dorey and Glover parks, a new elementary school in the Brookland District and a new indoor sports facility. He also referred to plans to address an issue of salary compression for employees of Henrico's general government and Henrico County Public Schools.

In addition to his work as supervisor, Nelson serves on various governmental and community organizations, including the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission Executive Committee, Virginia Transit Association Board of Directors, Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board of Directors and Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Board of Visitors. He also serves on the Capital Region Airport Commission, Virginia State Compensation Board and committees of Virginia Association of Counties and National Association of Counties.

A native of the Varina District, Nelson earned an associate degree from J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, a bachelor's degree from VCU and a master's degree from Virginia Union University. He is pastor of Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church.



Three Chopt District Supervisor Thomas M. Branin is sworn in as vice chairman of the Henrico County Board of Supervisors for 2019. Board Clerk Barry Lawrence administers the oath.

Branin is serving as the board's vice chairman for the first time. He is completing his first term as the Three Chopt representative, following his election in 2015. He previously served on the Henrico Planning Commission from 2005 to 2015. In addition to the Board of Supervisors, he serves on the Henrico Self-Insurance Trustees Committee and on committees of the Virginia Association of Counties and National Association of Counties. He previously served on the Virginia State Water Control Board and the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board.

After graduating from Douglas S. Freeman High School, Branin earned a bachelor's degree from Ferrum College. He is national sales manager for Colonial Construction Materials.

The Board of Supervisors regularly meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Meetings typically are not scheduled for the fourth Tuesday in August and December.

Meetings are held in the Board Room at the Henrico Government Center, 4301 E. Parham Road, and are livestreamed at henrico.us/supervisors. Archived video of meetings and additional information are available from the website.