



MEMORANDUM

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Timothy J. Baroody'.

TO: Mayor Greenlaw and Members of City Council
FROM: Timothy J. Baroody, City Manager
DATE: September 7, 2022 (for September 13, 2022 Council meeting)
SUBJECT: City Manager's Update

Highlights of major activities and other notable developments:



Veteran Employer Certification – Did you know that the City of Fredericksburg Government is now an official V3 Certified Company? The Virginia Values Veterans (V3) Program helps employers develop and implement long-term strategies and nationally recognized best practices in recruiting, hiring, and retaining Veterans. This certification demonstrates the City's continued

commitment to hire Veterans to join our workforce. For a listing of current job openings with the City, please visit our website: <https://www.fredericksburgva.gov/216/Employment>

Police Department Debuts First of its Hybrid Patrol Vehicles – The Police Department is moving toward a green fleet with the addition of three hybrid patrol vehicles and five additional hybrid vehicles expected next year. The 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility is the first-ever pursuit-rated hybrid police SUV with improved performance, significant potential fuel savings, and reduced CO2 emissions compared to traditional police vehicles. Its lithium-ion hybrid battery can also provide added benefits when considering the unique idling demands of day-to-day police use.



The Police Department's efforts to have a green fleet stemmed from City Council's Priority for a Clean and Green Fredericksburg and their recently adopted *100% Renewable Energy*

Resolution. In December 2019, they committed to the goal of powering municipal operations with 100% renewable energy by 2035 or earlier. For more information on the City's clean and green initiatives, please visit www.Fredericksburgva.gov.



Fredericksburg Sister Cities Fundraiser for Ukraine – Four of the Sister City Associations (Fréjus, Este, Schwetzingen, and Kathmandu) are organizing a fundraiser of the people of Ukraine. Thirty local artists have been invited to make a donation to be auctioned through a week long on-line showcase, culminating in a public live auction event. The event will take place on October 23 from 2 – 5 PM at the Rappahannock Regional Library – Fredericksburg Branch. Tickets to the event are \$50 and there will be food and live music. Community and business sponsorships are currently being sought.

See FXBG4UKRAINE.ORG for more information.

Street Rehabilitation Schedule – The City's contractor, Virginia Paving Company, began their work on the FY23 Pavement Rehabilitation Program on Tuesday, September 6. The Contractor is starting on the segment of Hanover Street between William Street and Littlepage Street. The work will include replacement and upgrade of access ramps, repair of pavement sections, milling and placement of a new pavement surface, and placement of pavement markings. There are various streets in different areas of the City that will be completed as part of this year's Program. Subsequent news updates will be released as the contractor progresses. This work is anticipated to be completed by the end of October, weather permitting. For questions, please contact the City's Department of Public Works at (540)372-1023 or visit the Department's webpage.

New Speed Limit in Downtown Business District – The City of Fredericksburg is focused on enhancing pedestrian safety throughout the City. One way to achieve this mission is by lowering speed limits where warranted and legally permissible. In May, City Council voted to reduce the speed in the City’s downtown business district, which sees high pedestrian volume throughout the year. Effective July 1, 2022, the speed limit on the following road segments was reduced from 25 to 20 MPH:



- Sophia Street between Lafayette Boulevard and Amelia Street
- Caroline Street between Lafayette Boulevard and Lewis Street
- William Street between Washington Avenue and Sophia Street
- Lafayette Blvd. between Sophia Street and Prince Edward Street

Traffic Safety Initiative – The Police Department continues a traffic safety initiative to target areas in the City where distracted driving and speeding have become a public safety concern. Drivers, be advised that the Police Department will be heavily enforcing speeding, reckless driving, disregard of stop signs, and failure to obey red lights. **“The City of Fredericksburg has issued over 1,825 speeding citations since October 2021. Want to avoid a ticket in the City of Fredericksburg – follow posted speed limits, it is that simple,”** stated City Manager Tim Baroody. **Want to avoid a ticket? Drive smart and safe, #FXBG.**



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COVID-19 Vaccinations –

The Rappahannock Area Health Department continues to provide FREE COVID-19 vaccines and boosters at various local health department locations. Appointments are not required, but are encouraged. Days and times vaccinations are provided:

- Mondays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Spotsylvania County Health Dept., 9104 Courthouse Road, Holbart Building, Spotsylvania 22553, (540) 507-7400

- Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: City of Fredericksburg Health Dept., 608 Jackson St., Fredericksburg 22401, (540) 899-4142 and King George County Health Dept., Village Center 8097 Kings Highway, King George 22485 (540) 775-3111

- Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Stafford County Health Dept., Courthouse Complex

RAHD COVID-19 VACCINATION SCHEDULE

ALL CLINICS ARE HELD FROM 8 AM TO 4 PM

MONDAY
SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
9104 Courthouse Road, Holbart Building, Spotsylvania 22553
540-507-7400

TUESDAY
CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG HEALTH DEPARTMENT
608 Jackson Street, Fredericksburg 22401
540-899-4142

TUESDAY
KING GEORGE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
Village Center 8097 Kings Highway, King George 22485
540-775-3111

WEDNESDAY
STAFFORD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
Courthouse Complex 1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford, VA 22554
540-659-3101

WEDNESDAY
CAROLINE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
17202 Richmond Turnpike, Milford, VA 22514
804-633-5465

• VACCINES AVAILABLE FOR AGES 6 MONTHS +
• APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT REQUIRED BUT HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

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1300 Courthouse Road, Stafford 22554, (540) 659-3101 and Caroline County Health Dept., 17202 Richmond Turnpike, Milford 22427 804-633-5465

Please call the local Call Center at (540) 899-4797 between 8am – 4:30pm with any questions.

To find a vaccine near you, <https://vaccinate.virginia.gov/> or call 877-VAX-IN-VA (877-829-4682, TTY users call 7-1-1). Assistance is available in many languages.

Board and Commission Openings – Are you a city resident? Passionate about your community? Serving on a board or commission can be an excellent way to shape government initiatives in your community. The City is currently seeking applicants for the following:

- Board of Building Codes Appeals (member specific, to see specifics)
- Board of Zoning Appeals (Alternate members needed)
- Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee
- Memorials Advisory Commission
- Parking Advisory Committee

To learn more and apply, visit: <https://www.fredericksburgva.gov/221/Boards-Commissions> or please feel free to call the Clerk of Council’s office at 540-372-1010.



The Parks, Recreation and Events Fall Catalog is now available! Get out and play with us! Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation and Events is offering many special events, nature programs, special interest classes and sports being offered September through December. Read it online here: ++<https://www.fredericksburgva.gov/370/Catalog-of-Activities>

Pick up your paper copy from the Dorothy Hart Community Center after August 9th. Registration is now open online: <https://secure.rec1.com/VA/fredericksburg-va/catalog> and in person at the Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal Street. Questions? Give us a call at 540-372-1086 or email prfrontdesk@fredericksburgva.gov.



Fall Programs – Our Parks, Recreation and Events team is continually working on fun and safe programs for the season. Keep updated on all the activities available. See the full [listing](#).



Fred Focus

Fred Focus – The [Fredericksburg Department of Economic Development and Tourism](#) is pleased to bring you Fred Focus, a weekly e-newsletter that goes out every Thursday and keeps you up-to-date on Fredericksburg business and tourism information and events. This week's [edition](#).