



**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** Mayor Greenlaw and Members of City Council  
**FROM:** Timothy J. Baroody, City Manager  
**DATE:** June 07, 2023 (for June 13, 2023 Council meeting)  
**SUBJECT:** City Manager's Update

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Highlights of major activities and other notable developments:

An Unveiling Event is being planned for the new historic highway marker commemorating the "Great Exodus from Bondage" and honoring John Washington. Please join us on Wednesday, June 21 at 2:00pm. The public is invited to the

ceremony which will be held at the Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 810 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg. An unveiling of the new marker on Princess Anne Street will follow the ceremony, presented by the City of Fredericksburg and the University of Mary Washington's James Farmer Multicultural Center. Please view the flier here. For inquiries about this event, please call 540-372-1010 or email [citymanager@fredericksburgva.gov](mailto:citymanager@fredericksburgva.gov).

**Early Voting for the June 2023 Dual Primary –**

Early voting for the June 2023 Dual Primary began on May 5, 2023. Voting will take place in the Office of Voter Registration and Elections, 601 Caroline Street, Suite 500, Monday through Friday from 8:30am -4:30pm. Saturday voting will take place June 10 and 17 from 9am-5pm. Democrats will choose a candidate for the General Assembly State Senate District 27. Republicans will choose a candidate for House of Delegates District 65 and State Senate District 27. Sample ballots are now available online. For more information please contact Voter Registration

<https://www.fredericksburgva.gov/.../Voter-Registration...>



**Hydrant Maintenance Flushing Program** – Public Works crews will continue the annual maintenance flushing program throughout the summer months. You may see a hydrant draining water for some time as part of the process. If you have concerns or questions, please call (540) 372-1023.



**Executive Plaza** – The main electrical distribution system at the Executive Plaza was replaced beginning Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm and continuing through Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. The building remained closed, however curbside voting was made available by the Voter Registration staff and Electoral Board. In order to accomplish this much needed upgrade, a generator was brought in to provide temporary power to essential equipment during the

power shut down. Electrical crews worked tirelessly over the course of the weekend to ensure normal power was restored by Monday afternoon. This work was supported by City staff departments from IT, Parking Garage, and Public Facilities.

**Traffic Safety Initiative** – The Police Department continues a traffic safety initiative started in October 2021 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 859 speeding citations through May 2023. 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.



**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 Social Services
- Board of Zoning Appeals (Alternate members needed)
- 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.



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

**The Parks, Recreation and Events Summer 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. Read it [online](#).

Pick up your paper copy from the Dorothy Hart Community Center. Registration is now open [online](#) 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](mailto:prfrontdesk@fredericksburgva.gov).



**Fred Focus**

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