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Happy Holidays

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LOUDOUN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SUPERVISOR JULI BRISKMAN, ALGONKIAN DISTRICT

Dear Neighbors,

As we gather with family and friends this holiday season, I want to say that it has been a distinct privilege and honor to serve as your Algonkian District Supervisor these past four years, and I am immensely proud that our community has entrusted me with a second term, which begins next month. Together we have made significant strides, and I am committed in this next term to building upon

Business Meeting

1/2/2024 at 4 pm

Finance Committee

1/9/2024 at 6 pm

Public Hearing

1/10/2024 at 6 pm

**Transportation and Land
Use Committee (TLUC)**

1/17/2024 at 5 pm

Business Meeting

1/16/2024 at 4 pm

[BOS Calendar](#) for
upcoming meetings

Want to speak?
[Visit the county web
page for information.](#)

our achievements for the betterment of Loudoun County.

I am proud to share that the revitalization of Cascades Marketplace has been approved to move forward. This pivotal project will upgrade the area into a vibrant, mixed-use community that incorporates a mix of housing, retail, and dining options. Work is already underway refreshing existing retail spaces and welcoming new stores and restaurants! Personally, I can't wait to try Taco Bamba and Chiko when they open next year.

The approved redevelopment will include up to 750 homes as well as a significant increase in commercial space and open space. The housing permitted will not arrive all at once. 350 apartments are planned for Block A (where Onelife Fitness is), but they will not be built for at least 10 - 12 years, due to existing long-term leases. On Block C, where the Spirit Halloween recently occupied along with Sky Zone, anywhere from 100 single-family townhomes to 400 apartments may be built. The decision on which option to construct on Block C will ultimately be up to the developer based on market conditions.

Loudoun County's new Zoning Ordinance was also approved last week at our last Public Hearing of this term, a milestone four years in the making. I proposed several amendments. We succeeded in limiting where and how data centers can be approved. We also implemented improved pathways to build attainable housing and streamlined the mural approval process to foster public art in community spaces like Cascades Marketplace. The new Zoning Ordinance passed unanimously, with endorsement from the Piedmont Environmental Council and the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce, among others.

I hope you can find time to cozy up with family and friends this holiday season, while keeping those less fortunate and those affected by war in your thoughts. Instability anywhere in the world can disrupt peace everywhere in the blink of an eye.

We must all be vigilant of how we think about and treat those who may be different than us.

If you are able, please consider spreading holiday cheer to those less fortunate. We have some great organizations doing incredible work in the county, including [Loudoun Literacy Council](#), [Mobile Hope](#), [Equality Loudoun](#), [Loudoun Hunger Relief](#) and our own [Loudoun County Fire and Rescue](#), which recently sponsored a coat drive.

- Juli

Holiday Events

BRING YOUR PUP & JOIN US FOR A

Holiday Lights Trail for Dogs

AT THE ANIMAL SHELTER

Weds 12/27/23 - Sat 12/30/23
6pm-8pm | \$10/dog



Sign Up Today!

LOUDOUN COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES (LCAS)

Join LCAS at the animal shelter for a Holiday Lights Trail! Bring your dog (on a leash of course!) and enjoy a fun walk through various holiday light displays and dog activities! The trail winds around the shelter and is on grass and pavement with some terrain. The trail has times available Wednesday, December 27th through Saturday, December 30th, please note which day/start time you are purchasing. [Tickets and more information available here.](#)

PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES (PRCS)

PRCS has events and activities to make the season cheery and bright for all ages. From winter-lighted walks, nature handcrafting, and an Elf Scramble 5K - check out our upcoming holiday events!

[Click here to see the Winter Event Calendar.](#)

CASCADES LIBRARY

Holiday Movies for Kids

Friday, December 22nd at 2 pm
Cascades Library Meeting Room B

[Click here to see the full Cascades Library calendar for December.](#)

CASCADES SENIOR CENTER

The Loudoun County Senior Center provides an active gathering spot for the thriving, diverse community of adults 55 and older and offers a variety of classes, groups and programs that provide learning, growth and social opportunities. Find activities and read their newsletter [here.](#)

School Board Transition



Atoosa Reaser

State Delegate-Elect, 27th District



April Chandler

LCPS School Board Member-Elect

As we enter the holiday season and the beginning of the next term, I want to recognize my friend Atoosa Reaser, who has honorably served as the Algonkian District School Board Member and is transitioning to her new role as State Delegate for the 27th district. Delegate-Elect Reaser has been a champion for our public schools, and I look forward to working with her in this new capacity.

I am also honored to welcome April Chandler as the next School Board Member for the Algonkian District. A mother of two LCPS students and a community advocate, Ms. Chandler brings a deep commitment to educational excellence and a strong dedication to the well-being of our students and educators.

With that said, I am pleased to share the Algonkian District December [School Board Snippets](#). Read about:

- Algonkian Schools Make U.S. News and World Report's Top 100 Virginia Schools List,
- LCPS Fentanyl and Opioid Awareness Task Force,
- LCPS Superintendent Convenes Blue Ribbon Panel on School Safety,
- Meet Your New School Board Member, and more!

Upcoming LCPS Meetings:

January 2 - Annual Organizational School Board Meeting

January 9 - School Board Meeting

January 30 - School Board Meeting

Statement on Loudoun County Electoral Board

Statement on Electoral Board Decision to Significantly Limit Early Voting

Last week, [the Loudoun County Electoral Board shamefully voted to drastically reduce early in-person voting](#) in Eastern Loudoun for the upcoming 2024 primary and general election. If this reduction is not reversed, early in-person voting in Eastern Loudoun will only be available on two Saturdays in the month ahead of Election Day, rather than six days a week as has been the case for past elections.

This brazen move was supported by the two Electoral Board members of the governor's party, without input from the Board of Supervisors. The motion to make this change was not advertised to the public as part of the meeting's agenda. In Virginia, the party of the incumbent governor gets two of the three appointments to local Electoral Board seats. The Electoral Board is given significant authority to set the days and hours of early voting sites, and the Board of Supervisors cannot directly override their decision.

As your Supervisor, I am vehemently opposed to this reduction and urge the Electoral Board to reverse it. We should be expanding access to the ballot box for all residents of Loudoun County, not hampering it. While the Electoral Board members who supported this move claim that they plan to reverse the reductions once a new early voting location is identified in Purcellville, I remain highly concerned. My staff and I are actively exploring all options to protect the right to vote in Loudoun County.

Loudoun County Seeks Community Input

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) **STUDY**

COMMUNITY **SURVEY**

Help identify barriers impeding the
participation of individuals with disabilities in
county programs, services and activities

Learn More:

loudoun.gov/ADAStudy

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Take the Survey

Loudoun County is seeking input from individuals with disabilities as well as family members, caregivers, and organizations with experience in accessibility best practices. This survey will help the county identify barriers to participation in services and better prioritize accessibility needs.

Click here to access the survey, which is available in English and Spanish and can be completed through Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2024:

<https://www.loudoun.gov/adastudy>

Land Use Applications

The legislative land use re-zoning process can be complicated. To make the process more understandable, my office asked county staff to create a flowchart with the steps required in a land use application process. With this chart, you can now see where each potential project is in the process.

Additional details are available at [Loudoun's Online Land Applications \(LOLA\)](#) by searching for the name or application number, of each application.

LEGISLATIVE LAND USE APPLICATION PROCESS



For more information, resources & application procedures, visit loudoun.gov/legislativelanduse. Note: Timelines are estimates.



Cascades Marketplace

[STATUS: APPROVED](#)



Dogwood Farm Station

[STATUS: APPROVED](#)

The team at Willard Retail are meeting with prospective tenants, and just landed Shake Shack! Make sure to visit their website for updates and to provide feedback [here](#). The application proposes to re-zone the Cascades Marketplace into a mixed-use development of new housing and retail.

The application was approved by the Board of Supervisors at the December 13th Public Hearing.

[Read about the proposal here.](#)

A multifamily development to build 425 homes and a childcare center on the 19.33-acre site currently home to Blue Mount Nursery. Based on community and BOS feedback regarding density, open space and other issues, the applicant updated the proposal to improve open space and lower overall density from the original proposal.

The application was approved by the Board of Supervisors at the November 15th Public Hearing.

[Read about the proposal here.](#)

S&S Child Care Home

[STATUS: STAFF REVIEW](#)

Sunshine and Sprouts Home Daycare has applied for a Minor Special Exception to increase their capacity from 9 to 12 children. It is located in a single-family attached dwelling along Derrydale Square in Sterling. **The application was approved by the Board of Supervisors at the October 11th Public Hearing.**

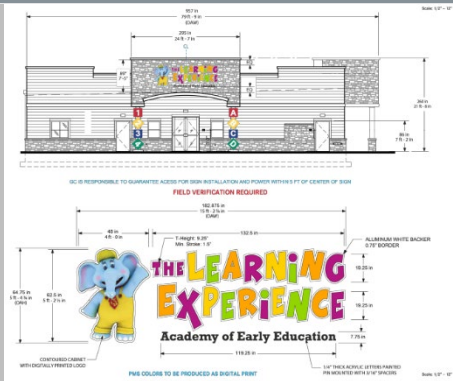
[Read about the proposal here.](#)

Sanchez Child Care Home

[STATUS: SUBMISSION](#)

This application is filing for a Minor Special Exception to increase the capacity of a child care home from 9 to 12 children in a single-family attached dwelling. The property is on the north side of Upland Terrace, southwest of Bles Park Drive. **A PRAP Conference was held on August 28, 2023.**

[Read about the proposal here.](#)



Potomac View Sign Development Plan

STATUS: SUBMISSION

A Sign Development Plan has been submitted to increase the amount of signage permitted for a childcare center on a property located on the west side of Potomac View Road, north of Jefferson Drive. **The application will be heard by the Board of Supervisors at the January 10, 2024 Public Hearing.**

[Read about the proposal here.](#)



The Villas at Cascades

STATUS: APPROVED

This application is to allow the development of 178 multi-family stacked residential units. The developers are currently in the site plan processing stage of the project. They expect to break ground towards the end of this year with the first units delivering approximately a year later (or late 2024). A \$160,000 school contribution has also been made with the expectation those funds will be used for the playground area at Meadowland Elementary.

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We want to hear from you! Share your concerns, questions, or events that you would like to see featured in upcoming newsletters.

[Email Ethan Gardner](#)

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