



Dear Leesburg Resident,

National Tourism Week was May 7-13. Loudoun County's tourism industry is thriving and, in 2015, ranked third in visitor spending in the Commonwealth. Statewide, tourism generated \$1.64 billion in travel spending, supported 16,840 jobs and generated \$632 million in wages. Please see the brief video below highlighting the importance of tourism and hospitality for Loudoun County.



Envision Loudoun

Loudoun County will host its second round of [community workshops in June](#). Envision Loudoun will result in a New Comprehensive Plan that will serve as the guiding document for land use and development for the future. This is an opportunity to plan future growth, land use, transportation, community facilities and amenities, economic development, and preservation of open space and natural areas in Loudoun County.

Envision the Future Workshops

**Monday, June 5,
Harper Park Middle
School**
701 Potomac Station
Drive, Leesburg
Registration 6:30,
meeting at 7:00pm

**Wednesday, June 7,
Cascades Senior
Center**
21060 Whitfield
Place, Sterling
Registration 6:30,
meeting at 7:00pm

**Monday, June 12,
Broad Run High
School**
21670 Ashburn Road,
Ashburn
Registration 6:30,
meeting at 7:00pm

**Tuesday, June 13,
Harmony Middle
School**
38174 W Colonial
Highway, Hamilton
Registration 7:00,
meeting at 7:30pm

**Thursday, June 15,
Mercer Middle
School**
42149 Greenstone
Drive, Aldie
Registration 6:30,
meeting at 7:00pm

At the May 2nd Board meeting, the Board updated the Envision Loudoun vision statement and goals. There was a lengthy discussion about including the Transition Policy Area in the vision statement. I heard interesting remarks from citizens and agree that the County needs to highlight its uniqueness. The inclusion of words that highlight our assets like the beautiful rural area and the transition area between rural and suburban need to be included. I voted to stick to the specific terms "in rural, transition, suburban, and urban settings" vs "in a variety of settings." The Board-endorsed vision and goals will be discussed at the June workshops for resident input.

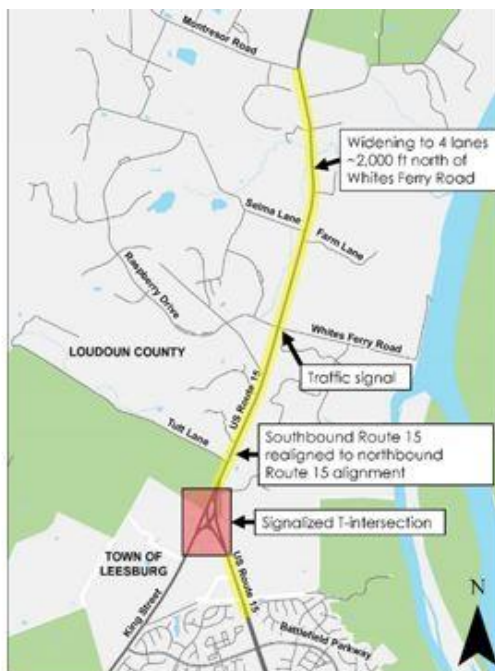
Transportation

VDOT held a public information meeting on May 16th for the Route 7 (East Market Street) and Battlefield Parkway interchange to reduce congestion and improve traffic operations. Four interchange design alternatives are being considered as part of the preliminary design phase of the project. Please visit the [project page](#) for more information. If you were unable to attend the meeting, comments may be e-mailed to meetingcomments@VDOT.virginia.gov or sent to Mr. William Dunn, P.E., Virginia Department of Transportation, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030 by May 31st. Please include "Route 7 Interchange at Battlefield Parkway" in the subject line.

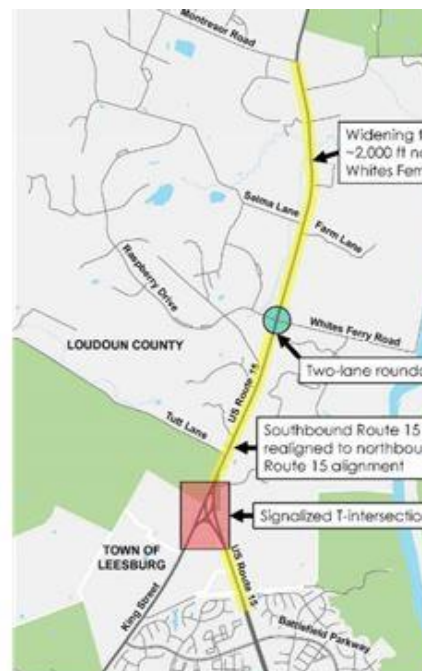
At the May 18th Board business meeting, Department of Transportation and Capital Infrastructure (DTCI) and Kimley-Horn presented the findings of the [Route 15 Congestion Report](#). The congestion study area is between Battlefield Parkway and Whites Ferry Road/Raspberry Drive. In preparation of the Route 15 Congestion Report, DTCI and Kimley-Horn met with various interested parties, including staff from the Town, VDOT, Journey Through Hallowed Ground, Catocin Coalition, and Bike Loudoun. The context sensitive design concepts that are presented in the report reflect the principles of the Journey Through Hallowed Ground Corridor Management Plan. Additionally, all proposed concepts include a shared-use path along the east side of Route 15. The specific recommendations are listed below and pictured in Alternatives 1B and 3.

- Widen Route 15 to 4 lanes from Battlefield Parkway to ~2,000 feet north of Whites Ferry Road/Raspberry Drive
- Install a traffic signal or two-lane roundabout at Whites Ferry Road/Raspberry Drive Intersection

- Install a traffic signal (standard or Green T - similar to Leesburg Outlet Mall entrance) or flyover at the King Street Intersection



Alternative 1B



Alternative 3

I want to thank Kimley-Horn and Supervisor Higgins for taking the lead on this item to help the residents in Leesburg who travel along this corridor. I hope we can use the \$2.6 million in federal funds earmarked for this corridor to begin Phase 1 improvements which would cover a northbound auxiliary lane between King Street and Tutt Lane. VDOT is planning to get incremental safety improvements installed, like center-line rumble strips, along the entire section of Route 15 north of Leesburg, as quickly as their process allows. A special thank you to the Board for including this project for the first time in the County's Capital Improvement Program and putting it in the County's Transportation Plan on an expedited basis. There will be opportunities for public input coming up and I will keep you posted on that schedule.

A Transportation Summit is scheduled on Thursday, June 29th at 5:00 pm in the Board room of the Government Center, 1 Harrison Street in Leesburg. Potential topics of discussion include intelligent transportation systems, an additional Potomac River crossing, rural roads, Route 7, east of Route 28 to the Fairfax County line, and a summary update on the infrastructure projects to support Metrorail. Transportation funding sources will also be discussed to take advantage of all available resources in an effort to maximize funding.

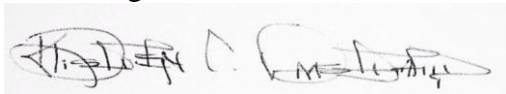
Silver Line

DTCI presented a Quarterly Metrorail Construction Status Report. The Metrorail Silver Line Extension project is in the final 11.4 miles of the 23.1 total miles. It will operate from the Wiehle-Reston-East station through Dulles International Airport to its permanent terminus at Ashburn Station. The commuter parking garages at Ashburn and Loudoun Gateway Stations have an estimated completion date of summer 2019. The estimated completion of the Dulles Airport Station is June 2018. The Loudoun Gateway Station at Route 606 is slated for completion by October 2018 and the Ashburn Station at Route 772 is scheduled for completion by February 2019.

The Board held a Public Hearing on the Silver Line Comprehensive Plan Amendment on Wednesday, May 10th. There was a discussion about allowing mixed-use development east of Loudoun County Parkway. I support the land-use vision proposed in November that does not allow residential development east of Loudoun County Parkway to protect airport operations. The item was forwarded to the June 22nd Board Business meeting for action.

Remember, Chair Randall's State of the County Address on Wednesday, May 24th at 6:30 pm at the Government Center, 1 Harrison Street in Leesburg. I will be opening the program and hope to see you there. Please feel free to contact me or my Chief Legislative Aide with any issues or feedback.

Warm Regards,



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Mayor Kelly Burk's Corner

We are really sprucing things up in Leesburg, in lots of ways! First of all, thank you to everyone who participated in April's Keep Leesburg Beautiful clean-up campaign. During the month of May, our Utilities Department will be conducting their version of "spring cleaning" with the annual water main flushing program. Opening selected hydrants and letting the water flow freely for a short period time cleans any accumulated sediment out of the pipes. You may notice a temporary discoloration of your water, but that will subside quickly. The water is safe to use and drink.

On Saturday, May 20th, a 7-foot tall "LOVE" sculpture made of recycled bicycle parts and steel channel was dedicated on Harrison Street, by the W&OD Trail. Please stop and see the sculpture.

On Saturday, May 27th, at 9:00 am join me for the ribbon cutting at the new Eric Brown Skate Plaza at Catoctin Park. This new, all-concrete skate plaza has been in the works for a long time and I know skaters of all ages are looking forward to its opening.

I am sponsoring a [Leesburg Symposium: Understanding Medicare](#) on Saturday, June 10th, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Leesburg Town Hall, 25 West Market Street. The informational symposium will help seniors understand how to file for Medicare. If you know someone who would benefit from this information, please share it with them. Symposium is presented by the Agency on Aging.

Youth In Government Day

On April 20th, high school students countywide learned about how local government works and met with members of the Board during Youth in Government Day. Four students from each Loudoun County high



school, as well as students from local private schools and the home school community are invited to attend this annual event. Sofia Salas, a senior at Heritage High School, was my partner during a Board business meeting (pictured above). She impressed all of us on the Board of Supervisors with her intelligence and thoughtful observations.



Business of the Month K2M

K2M is a Leesburg-based global medical technology company. K2M has designed, developed, and commercialized innovative complex spine and minimally invasive spine technologies and techniques used by spine surgeons to treat some of the most complicated spinal pathologies.

On March 10th, K2M was honored for its work at Evergreen Elementary School with an excellence in service award at the annual Loudoun School-Business Partnership recognition breakfast. K2M not only partners with Evergreen Elementary School, it also incorporates into its workforce individuals with disabilities, offers

summer internships for college students and actively recruits women engineers.

Youth Connection



Applications are now being accepted for the ENDependence Center of Northern Virginia's 2017 LEAP Awards! The LEAP awards support purchases of goods and services (not covered by Medicaid or other insurances) for youth and young adults (ages 14-26) with disabilities in the Northern Virginia area. The deadline to apply is June 30th, so don't delay! [Click here](#) to download the application and learn if you're eligible. Expenses can include:

- Clothing for a job or job interview
- Assistive technology to improve one's academic or professional potential
- Payment for training in a specific skill

- Computer hardware and/or software
- Instruction or fees for starting a business
- Tutoring or assistive learning tools

Events & Info



[Memorial Day Ceremony:](#) Monday, May 29 at 10:00 am at the Loudoun County Courthouse.

This annual observance will commemorate those who have lost their lives in battle, as well as recognize the brave military men and women who serve our country. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held inside the Senior Center of Leesburg, located at 102 North Street, NW.

[31st Annual Leesburg Car Show:](#) Saturday, June 3 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. American Graffiti sensation Candy Clark will be featured.

Hundreds of street rods, muscle cars and classics (1991 and older) will be on display in the heart of beautiful downtown historic Leesburg. This event is renowned for the trophies that are individually conceptualized and hand-crafted by local students at Monroe Technology Center (MTC). While the cars are a focal point, the specially made trophies are highly coveted works of art.

This fun, family-friendly event is FREE to guests. Donations supporting the MTC are greatly appreciated.

[Leesburg's First Friday:](#) Stroll around historic downtown Leesburg on the First Friday of each month (except January) to enjoy numerous live music performances throughout the town, art exhibits, wine tastings, lectures, and so much more! Over 45 specialty shops, art galleries, antique shops and restaurants are open until 9 pm or later, many offering free refreshments and/or special sales. Mark your calendar for the next First Friday event on June 2nd.

Leesburg's
First Friday

[Acoustic on the Green Summer Concert Series:](#) the Town of Leesburg's Award Winning Free Summer Concert Series starts June 10th and goes through August from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Town Hall Green, 25 West Market Street. Please click [here](#) for the list of concerts this summer!

[INMED's 2nd Annual Barn Blast:](#) Sunday, June 4, 2:00 to 6:00 pm, Murray Hill Estate, 42910 Edwards Ferry Road near Leesburg. Event will benefit INMED's Family & Youth Opportunity Center in Sterling, serving children and families at risk of homelessness, domestic violence, hunger, poverty and instability. Featuring live music by Juliana MacDowell and her band, ResQ BBQ, dancing and live and silent auctions. Purchase tickets at <https://opportunitycenter.us/barnblast>.

[All Ages Read Together Tee Off For Children's Literacy:](#) Tuesday, June 6, 9:00 am shotgun start at Raspberry Falls Golf Club near Leesburg. Registration includes green fee, cart, breakfast, snacks, goodie bag, BBQ lunch and all drinks. Cost is \$150 per person.

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