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## FAIRFAX

### [Meridian's Boro District in Tysons Just Got A Lot Bigger](#)

*Washington Business Journal, Daniel J. Sernovitz*

01/07/2019

The Meridian Group has acquired the NADA headquarters building and an adjacent development site, adding to its growing Boro District near the Greensboro Metro station in Tysons. The privately held developer paid the National Automobile Dealers Association \$33.7 million in late December for 8400 Westpark Drive, a 10-story office building with NADA's logo prominently featured on its facade, according to Fairfax County land records. The association moved out in October for new space at 8484 Westpark Drive.

The NADA building sits across Westpark Drive from The Boro, a mixed-use project slated to open later this year.



### [Virginia DOT Discusses Fairfax County Parkway Project with Public](#)

*FOX 5, Lindsay Watts*

01/07/2019

Fairfax County drivers are bracing for a major construction project. The Virginia Department of Transportation wants to widen a stretch of Fairfax County Parkway, and many are worried what it will mean for traffic and their commute. Fairfax County Parkway is currently four lanes in the five-mile stretch between Ox Road and Lee Highway, and the plan would widen it to six lanes. The project would be implemented in two phases. The first phase would consolidate an interchange between Popes Head Road and the new Shirley Gate Road extension. Construction is expected to begin next year. The second phase would widen Fairfax County Parkway. Officials said they have not fully secured funding for that phase, so it's unknown when construction could start.

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## [Fairfax Dedicates New Route 7 Sidewalks in Tysons](#)

*InsideNOVA, Brian Trompeter*

01/07/2019

Fairfax County officials on Jan. 3 celebrated the opening of two new 10-foot-wide sidewalks along Leesburg Pike under Route 123, which completed an 11-mile long connection between the Dulles Toll Road and Alexandria. The \$3 million project is part of the Dulles Corridor Bicycle and Pedestrian Access Program. Improvements include an 1,100-foot-long concrete sidewalk section on Route 7's north side and an 800-foot-long stretch on the south side, plus retaining walls, stormwater-management infrastructure, guardrails, well-marked striping at nearby crosswalks and a relocated gas line.



## [Bulova to Take Leadership Post for 2019 on Transportation Panel](#)

*InsideNOVA*

01/02/2019

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova will serve as secretary-treasurer of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) for 2019. Bulova will be part of a leadership team that includes Loudoun County Supervisor Matt Letourneau, who will be chairman for the year, and Arlington County Board member Katie Cristol, who will serve as vice chairman. For Bulova, it will be something of a last hurrah: She announced late last year that she did not plan to seek re-election to her Board of Supervisors seat this November.



## [Birds, Limes on Fairfax Streets? Leaders Consider Dockless Scooter Future in Fairfax Co.](#)

*WTOP, Max Smith*

12/16/2018

Shared electric scooters will likely come to Fairfax County despite concerns from county leaders. The dockless app-based shared scooters are already on the streets in Alexandria, Arlington and the District. The scooters have also been showing up on the borders of those areas, including parts of Fairfax and Montgomery counties despite no official permission to operate there. "Scooter use has just taken off exponentially," said Chris Wells, Fairfax County cycling and pedestrian program manager. "They are a mobility-alternative to walking ... and they'll likely expand more significantly in Fairfax County."



## **LOUDOUN**

## [Loudoun Supervisor Ron Meyer to Seek 13th Senate District Seat](#)

*Loudoun Times-Mirror, Nathaniel Cline*

01/07/2019

Loudoun County Supervisor Ron Meyer (R-Broad Run) said a recent board meeting focused the Dulles Greenway gave him the final push to run for Virginia's 13th Senate District seat. The announcement comes nearly a week after incumbent Republican Sen. Richard "Dick" Black announced he will not seek re-election. "The fact that we have legislation in Richmond that will permanently, annually increase tolls on the Greenway for everyone in Ashburn and beyond, and guarantee Greenway profits, it definitely led me to say, 'Maybe we may need better people representing us in Richmond,'" Meyer said to the Times-Mirror.



### [Loudoun Supervisors Oppose Legislation for Limited Distance-Based Pricing Along the Greenway](#)

*Loudoun Times-Mirror, Nathaniel Cline  
01/07/2019*

Loudoun's Board of Supervisors is opposing a legislative proposal that would allow for limited distance-based pricing along the Dulles Greenway but also guarantee future rate hikes for the roadway.



Supervisors say the proposal is not beneficial for the vast majority of Greenway users, especially during the most costly trips. The board formally opposed the measure during its Jan. 2 meeting. Only Chairwoman Phyllis Randall (D-At Large) supported the proposal, saying that not adopting it could lead to even higher toll prices in the future. The Greenway's current operating agreement, which allows for yearly rate hikes, expires at the end of the year.

### [New Problems for the Silver Line Phase 2: Officials Say Rail Ties are Flawed](#)

*Washington Post, Lori Aratani  
12/12/2018*

Hundreds of concrete rail ties installed at track crossovers along the second phase of the Silver Line are flawed, officials say, a problem that could further delay the multibillion-dollar rail project that is already 13 months behind schedule. Capital Rail Constructors, the lead contractor on the project, discovered the flaws in September, but the company and project officials have been unable to agree



on a fix. Charles Stark, executive director of the Silver Line rail project, said the issue centers on more than 400 concrete ties that support the rails in areas where multiple sets of tracks come together. The ties are higher in the middle - in some cases as much as a half-inch higher - than on the ends.

## [Corey Stewart, the Firebrand Virginia Republican, Will Leave Politics in December](#)

*Washington Post, Antonio Olivo*

01/08/2019

Corey A. Stewart, the Republican firebrand whose fights to crack down on illegal immigration and preserve Confederate monuments reflected the nation's increasingly polarized political landscape, is calling it quits after 15 years on the Prince William Board of County Supervisors.

In an interview, Stewart, 50, said he will not seek a fourth term as board chair this year and is leaving politics "for the foreseeable future" to focus on his international trade law practice and the business ambitions of his wife, Maria's.



## FAUQUIER

### [Retiring Fauquier Planning Director Reflects on County's Past, Future](#)

*Fauquier Times, James Ivancic*

01/04/2019

"Frankly, I hope [Fauquier County] remains a lot like it is," said Kimberley Fogle, Fauquier County's director of community development, who recently announced her retirement. Her last day on the job will be Jan. 31. "We will never get the kinds of shops you get in more developed areas. We don't have the population for it," Fogle said during an interview in her office.

Fogel said she doesn't see Gainesville-style commercial and residential development coming to Fauquier that she noted some fear.



## HOMEAID

### [GolfAid: HomeAid's First Event of 2019!](#)

*HomeAid Northern Virginia*

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January 18, 2019

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February 14, 2019

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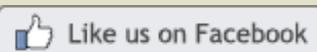
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