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NOVA NOTEPAD

NoVA Notepad is a new video feature of our eNews where NVBIA staff or leadership will share current and relevant information about a member, event or issue.



NVBIA COVID-19 UPDATE

New Round of Funding: Understanding How to Take Advantage of the PPP and EIDL Loans Webinar: This Webinar, on Friday, May 1st, will guide NVBIA members through the intricacies of the PPP loan requirements including what needs to occur for the forgiveness of this loan, how to document the use of the funds for accounting purposes and the potential tax free nature of the loan. Even if you have not taken advantage of the PPP loans, our speakers will address the potential availability of the funds and alternative programs that could be utilized. In addition, this webinar will explain how your accountant will be an essential part of your process. Three experts in dealing with these SBA loans will provide you with guidance from three different points of view. Join us to hear from Timothy M. Davis, Business Banker at John Marshall Bank; Fred Bohlander, Financial Planner/Managing Director at Sandbox FP; and David Albert, CPA, CFP and Senior Partner at Sandbox FP. A Question and Answer period to follow. To register, please click [here](#).

Blood Drive Campaign: There is no known end date in the fight against coronavirus and the need for blood and platelet donors is greater than ever. In response to this outbreak, NVBIA, in partnership with HBAV, is putting out a call to membership to give blood to save lives. For more information on how you can partake, please click [here](#).

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Company
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NEW Worksite Safety Guidelines: As a reminder, the Governor has deemed our industry as essential but emphasized that our workers must adhere to the worksite safety guidelines. As this situation with COVID-19 changes rapidly, let's not provide public health officials reasons to recommend tighter restrictions. It is imperative that our industry demonstrate that we are doing everything possible to protect public health and public safety. If concerns mount about the safety of activities in the building industry, a future order could shut down our work. To prevent that from happening, everyone must take the utmost care in their operations. [Please review and follow these recommendations carefully.](#)

ADVOCACY CORNER

The General Assembly's Reconvened Session was held last week where the Assembly considered the Governor's Recommendations to many pieces of legislation, including the Budget. One item that passed at our industry's urging was an amendment authorizing public bodies to meet electronically to "discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operations" during this emergency. This will make it easier for our local governing bodies, Planning Commissions, and other committees to hold public hearings and conduct business even as COVID-19 limits their ability to meet in-person. Some local governments have already held electronic public hearings, while others have questioned the authority to do so; with this in place, we hope that more localities will resume hearing land use cases during this emergency. You can read the amendment [here](#).

With the passage of most of the Governor's amendments, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority will retain their \$50 million increase in annual funding, but it will only be \$35 million the first year due to a delay in certain new taxes. The \$46 million increase in funding for the Virginia Housing Trust Fund was "unallotted"; meaning that it was taken out of the budget pending new revenue projections. The General Assembly will be given a chance to reallocate it once they see how COVID-19 is affecting state revenues.

The Senate rejected a proposal to postpone the May 5 City and Town elections until November. The Governor has used his authority to postpone those elections until May 19. Those who live in one of these localities have until Tuesday May 12 to apply for an absentee ballot, which you can do at <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/>. Just select 2A, disability or illness, as your excuse; the Department of Elections will accept that from everyone due to COVID-19.

In addition to the usual expiration dates for permits that will arise in the coming weeks and months, the legislative extension for approvals of site plans and subdivision plats that has been in place since the housing market crash over a decade ago is set to expire on July 1. With COVID-19 making it far more difficult for both builders and local governments to comply with these deadlines, NVBIA has been advocating to local governments that they extend these and all deadlines. In addition to helping the industry, this would help local governments avoid a rush of paperwork and submissions before July 1 in the midst of this crisis.

I am pleased to report that the Board of Supervisors in Fairfax County has agreed, at our request, to extend these deadlines. They will now be deferred until 60 days after the end of the County's COVID-19 emergency. This is a huge win for the industry, and we hope that it will set an example for other jurisdictions to follow.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

[Washington Gas Donations Support DC-Area Coronavirus Response and Relief Activity](#)

Northern Virginia Building Industry Association

Washington Gas announced it is donating \$150,000 in a first round of ongoing funding that will be distributed among eight local non-profit organizations to support their efforts in providing essential services to those in need during the



coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The contributions are part of a \$1 million commitment by AltaGas, the parent company of Washington Gas, to support community partners across its operating regions in North America. Donations will be made to the following organizations:

1. United Way National Capital Region
2. Greater Washington Community Foundation
3. Community Foundation for Northern Virginia
4. DC Central Kitchen
5. Mary's Corner
6. Shepherd's Table
7. United Communities Against Poverty
8. AARP (DC Region)

To read more about the Washington Gas donations, please click [here](#).

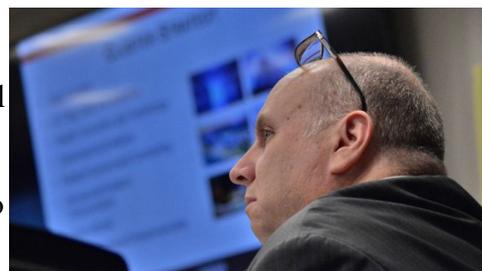
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[Loudoun Supervisors Approve \\$1.15M for Small Business Aid](#)

Loudoun Now, Renss Greene

04/22/2020

County supervisors late Tuesday night approved a million-dollar fund to provide emergency aid to Loudoun small businesses hurt by the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as a \$150,000 fund specifically for rural businesses with two or fewer employees. The Business Interruption Fund will provide



businesses grants of up to \$10,000 to address day-to-day expenses like utilities, insurance, payroll, and rent. That money will come out of a fund normally used for attracting new businesses. Now the money will be dedicated to helping existing businesses stay afloat. It may help bridge a gap for businesses waiting to hear back about stalled federal Payroll Protection Program loans or other emergency funding. The county money is not expected to last long. "Certainly, the need is going to outweigh a million dollars," said

Executive Director of Economic Development Buddy Rizer. "I expect that we will run through this money and not even put a dent in those that apply, but this is where I thought we would start, and we would see from there." But unlike Congress, Loudoun County has to balance its budget-and has to finish the fiscal year in the black. County Administrator Tim Hemstreet warned supervisors that at this point, the county government is dangerously close to the break-even point. Usually, it closes the year with tens of millions left over.

PRINCE WILLIAM

[Supervisors Move to Keep the Real-Estate Tax Rate Flat While Raising Vehicle, Data Center Taxes for New Budget](#)

Prince William Times, Daniel Berti
04/22/2020

Prince William's board of supervisors is moving toward adopting a budget for fiscal year 2021 that keeps the county's real estate property tax rate flat while increasing the data center and vehicle license taxes to fund some staff pay raises and launch new programs aimed at helping residents cope with the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic. County Executive Chris Martino's revised



proposed budget, presented to the board last Tuesday, April 14, was already cut by about \$40 million to reflect the economic impacts of pandemic. That reduction, split between the county and the school division, resulted in about \$20 million in cuts to planned county spending from the budget Martino presented to the board in February. Martino's revised budget cut about 40 new full-time public safety positions, including staff for the new Groveton Fire Station, located on Balls Ford Road in the west end of the county, as well as 3% across-the-board pay raises for county employees. The county executive also proposed delaying an additional, targeted pay raises for about 1,500 employees that were recommended in a recent compensation and classification study. Martino left about \$5 million for a contingency fund meant to cover unknown impacts of the pandemic. The board went back to the drawing board Tuesday, April 21, to make additional adjustments to Martino's budget and to debate new social programs and relief efforts.

HOMEAID

[HomeAid Northern Virginia is continuing to collect diapers, baby wipes, formula, and gift cards for partner non-profits in need!](#)

HomeAid Northern Virginia

Drop off donations in the collection box placed in the entryway of our office (open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), order online (via Amazon, Target, Walmart, etc.) and ship directly to the office, or make a monetary donation [here!](#)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

As of this time, due to the ongoing concern and fluidity of COVID-19, all upcoming NVBIA events through June 19th have been postponed. We will continue to notify membership of any changes as they arise. We appreciate your understanding during this difficult time.

Prince William Chapter Business Meeting - Wednesday, April 29th, 8:00AM to 9:00AM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

New Round of Funding: Understanding How to Take Advantage of the PPP and EIDL Loans Webinar - Friday, May 1st, 3:00PM to 4:00PM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

Future Leaders Virtual Committee Meeting & Trivia Night - Wednesday, May 6th, 6:00PM to 7:00PM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

WBI Breakfast & Branding Webinar - Thursday, May 7th, 9:00AM to 10:30AM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

Coming Back from COVID-19: A Home Builders Guide to the New Normal Webinar - Thursday, May 14th, 2:00PM to 3:00PM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

Fairfax-Arlington-Alexandria Chapter Business Meeting - Friday, May 15th, 8:30AM to 9:30AM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

WMSMC Architecture & Design Trends Summit - POSTPONED/New Date TBD - Friday, May 15th, 8:00AM to 10:00AM, International Country Club, Fairfax, VA

Education: Certified Aging in Place Specialist (CAPS) - May 20th -22nd, 9:00AM to 5:00PM, Venue TBD

Prince William Chapter Business Meeting - Wednesday, May 27th, 8:00AM to 9:00AM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

State of the Northern Virginia Market in the Time of COVID-19 Webinar - Wednesday, May 27th, 9:30AM to 10:30AM, Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

Champagne Baths on a Beer Budget Webinar - Thursday, May 28th, 9:00AM to 10:00AM, Zoom Meeting #646-876-9923, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122, Password: 287565

NoVA Build PAC Clay Shooting Fundraiser - POSTPONED/New Date TBD - Friday, May 29th, 8:00AM to 1:30PM, Bull Run Shooting Center, Centreville, VA

[Fairfax Chapter Spring Mixer](#) - POSTPONED/New Date TBD - Tuesday, June 9th, 4:30PM - 7:00PM, Warhol Modern Farmhouse, Great Falls, VA

[Women in the Building Industry Spring Mixer](#) - NEW DATE - Thursday, June 25th, 4:00PM to 7:00PM, Paradise Springs Winery, Clifton, VA

[Crawfish Boil](#) - NEW DATE - Thursday, July 16th, 3:30PM to 7:00PM, Wetland Studies and Solutions, Gainesville, VA

[Scramble Golf Tournament](#) - NEW DATE - Monday, July 27th, 8:00AM to 5:00PM, River Creek Club, Leesburg, VA

[Parade of Homes](#) - NEW DATE - October 3rd and 4th, 11:00AM to 4:00PM, Throughout Northern Virginia



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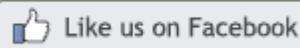
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