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WEEKLY ENEWS

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MVB Mortgage
Wells Fargo Home
Mortgage

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Toll Brothers
Washington Gas
William A. Hazel, Inc.

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Buhl Electric
KTYG
Staged Interior
Stanley Martin Homes
USA Cabinet Store

CHAMPIONS

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The Washington Post

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AdsIntelligence Marketing
Christopher Companies
Dewberry
DoodyCalls Inc.
Drees Homes
Elm Street Development
Farms & Acreage
John Marshall Bank
Landscape Architecture at
Citizant
Van Metre Homes

NVBIA COVID-19 UPDATE

Prince William County: The Department of Development Services is reporting a higher than normal volume of incomplete applications. They are asking all applicants to make sure applications are submitted correctly to minimize delays. Current processing time is up to 5 business days.

The Contractor Inspection Certification Program has expanded for Residential Limited Permits. The COVID-19 Self Certification Form includes the installation of gas appliances, solar panels, and car chargers and can be found [here](#).

Falls Church: The City Council has passed an emergency ordinance authorizing public entities to hold electronic meetings, if necessary to ensure the continuity of government. It also authorizes the Director of Emergency Management to temporarily waive or reduce fees or penalties or interest imposed by any City ordinance, waive enforcement of any City ordinance, and modify, limit, waive, suspend, or amend any City program, service, 54 function, process or procedure. These actions must be applied uniformly and may only be effective until the next meeting of City Council, at which point Council may ratify or extend the time for which the action remains in effect.

Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development: The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) will be hosting a webinar on April 9 from 2:30 - 4:00PM about local building departments policies and procedures to conduct business remotely using electronic permitting or virtual inspections. Arlington County has successfully moved to a digitized permitting and inspection process in response to COVID-19. The information provided on this call will be helpful for localities that have already made the transition or are just starting to think about it. All building departments have been invited to join this call, but it would be great to have members join as well so they are aware of what options are available and can provide assistance to local building departments as needed.

Shahriar Amiri, Arlington County's building official, will present on their transition process, procedures and information on processes and applications, as well as helpful resources during this time of social distancing. There will also be plenty of time for questions and answers.

More information about this webinar can be found [here](#). To register for this event, please click [here](#).

Wetland Studies &
Solutions, Inc.
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PATRIOTS

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NVP
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S W Rodgers Company
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Thompson Greenspon
Truist (formerly BB&T)
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Walsh, P.C.
W.C. Ralston Architects

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Burke & Herbert Bank
Champion Title &
Settlements
ECS Mid-Atlantic, LLC
First Excel Title
Masonry Design
Residential Warranty
Company
The IDI Group Companies
Walker Title LLC

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

May 5 Local Elections: City and Town elections are scheduled for Tuesday May 5. These elections have a huge impact on many of the smaller jurisdictions in Northern Virginia. Although NoVA Build PAC is not endorsing candidates in these elections, these are typically very low turnout contests, and they will likely be even lower this year. That is why it is so important that those of you who live in these jurisdictions make your voices heard. In-person voting will be permitted, but voters are encouraged to vote by mail. The Virginia Department of Elections has announced that ongoing COVID-19 emergency will be accepted as a valid excuse for absentee voting. Everyone who lives in one of these towns should plan to vote by mail. Go to <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/> to apply online or to get the form to apply by mail. Just give reason 2A as your excuse: My disability or illness.

There are contested elections for Mayor in following jurisdictions:

- Fairfax City
- Vienna
- Haymarket
- Purcellville

There are contested elections for City/Town Council in the following jurisdictions:

- Fairfax City
- Vienna
- Haymarket
- Quantico
- Purcellville
- Lovettsville
- Hamilton
- Round Hill
- Warrenton (Wards 1,2, and 5)
- The Plains

Census: We would also like to urge everyone to respond to the Census as soon as possible, which you can do [here](#). The Census will determine representation and funding at the federal, state, and local levels. These resources matter a great deal for our region, and the better the results for our region, the better it is for our industry. It is quick and easy to fill out, and with no place to go these days, now is a great time to get that done.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

[NVBIA Welcomes 11 New Members During the Month of March](#)

Northern Virginia Building Industry Association

NVBIA would like to recognize the 11 new member companies who joined our association during the month of March. Please be sure to welcome them and introduce yourselves at future NVBIA events, webinars and meetings.

1. Burke & Herbert Bank
2. JR Real Estate Group
3. Closet Factory
4. Virginia One Development
5. My Pest Pros
6. Aprilaire
7. RiteRug Flooring
8. Scot Schragger Remodeling dba 180 Closet Design
9. Boston National Title
10. MagLandBroker
11. Choice Companies

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[Comstock Buys More Land to Expand Reston Station](#)

*Washington Business Journal, Daniel J. Sernovitz
04/03/2020*

Comstock Holding Cos. Inc. has acquired another piece of the Commerce Metro Center across from its Reston Station project as it continues to shape plans for future phases of the mixed-use development along Metro's Silver line. A Comstock affiliate paid about \$35.9 million March 9 for 11480 Comstock Park



Drive, a six-story office building across the Dulles Toll Road from Reston Station, according to Fairfax County land records. The building, about 82% leased to a range of tenants including Young America's Foundation, Kittelson & Associates Inc. and Siteworx LLC, was owned by an affiliate of Boston-based TA Realty. Comstock acquired the 3.75-acre property in an all-cash deal on behalf of a partnership between it and Comstock Partners, a private company owned and controlled by Comstock CEO Christopher Clemente.

[Coronavirus Pandemic Drives Fairfax County Budget Cuts](#)

*WTOP, Max Smith
03/31/2020*

We don't know what's next. It's the guiding principle behind major changes to the Fairfax County, Virginia, budget proposal that are set to be released next week. The original budget proposed a 3-cent property tax increase, which may or may not significantly change depending on the projected impact on future years' budgets. The original proposal also included a new 4% tax on tickets to things such as movies, theaters and



concerts. "The world has changed since that budget presentation, and so will our budget," Board of Supervisors Chairman Jeff McKay said. The revised budget proposal will project significantly less revenue with drops in sales tax collections, hotel stays, car tax collections, business taxes and other areas, and is expected to put off some or all of the new programs that were proposed, including additional school funding, police body cameras and additional funding for affordable housing.

FAUQUIER

[Pipeline Construction Plows Ahead As Daily Life is Disrupted by Coronavirus Outbreak](#)

*Fauquier Times, Daniel Berti
04/02/2020*

A spokesperson for the pipeline company says construction is currently ongoing as scheduled. The new pipeline, called the Manassas Loop, is an expansion of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's mainline that transports natural gas from the gulf coast to New York City and other mid-Atlantic markets. The new pipeline will expand the amount of natural gas that flows along the Transco pipeline. The pipeline's construction can be seen taking place in the Town of Catlett in Fauquier County along Route 28, where dirt is being moved to install the new 42-inch pipe. The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality has temporarily suspended all routine field activities during the coronavirus outbreak but is continuing to investigate significant pipeline concerns.



HOMEAID

[HomeAid is collecting diapers, baby wipes and store gift cards to donate to shelter partners, families, and individuals in need right now](#)

HomeAid Northern Virginia

On April 2, HomeAid Northern Virginia's Executive Director and CEO, Kristyn Burr, made an [appearance on NBC4](#) to inform viewers of their 'Builders For Babies' program, which is collecting diapers, baby wipes, formula and gift cards to help fill the gap and ease the burden on HomeAid's non-profit partners while supporting their clients and those in the community who are in crisis. In her interview, Kristyn posted a call-to-action for viewers to purchase baby essentials and gift cards to be donated by HomeAid to our shelter partners in need during this time.



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.

[Business Development 101 Sponsored by Future Leaders](#) -

POSTPONED/New Date TBD - Wednesday, April 8th, 5:30PM to 7:00PM,
P.J. Skidoos, Fairfax, VA

[Fauquier Chapter Business Meeting](#) - NEW DATE - Tuesday, April 14th,
5:00PM to 6:00PM, Conference Call #605-313-5111, Access Code: 358-454

[Fairfax County Business Meeting](#) - Friday, April 17th, 8:30am to 9:30am,
Zoom Meeting #646-558-8656, Meeting ID: 225 634 2122

[Loudoun Chapter Business Meeting](#) - Thursday, April 23rd, 8:00AM to
9:00AM, 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, Location TBD

[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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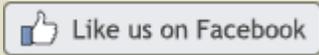


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