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REGIONAL

[Greater Washington's Construction Industry Not Yet Sidelined by Coronavirus](#)

*Washington Business Journal, Daniel J. Sernovitz
03/24/2020*

The sounds of heavy machinery continued to resonate Tuesday from construction sites across Greater Washington, as the industry appears to have avoided the coronavirus-tied restrictions that other state and local governments have imposed elsewhere, suspending work on those kinds of projects. The Bowser

administration announced Tuesday morning that construction projects continue to be allowed during normal working hours without the need for special permits, though the D.C. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs will cut back on some of its activities. Maryland and Virginia leaders have also said construction can continue within their borders, provided proper precautions are taken to keep workers on those job sites healthy. The situation in Greater Washington has come as a relief to practitioners in the region's multibillion-dollar construction industry, including Dennis Kane, president and CEO of Gaithersburg-based Kane Construction Inc. While a temporary suspension of construction activities can cost a contractor time and money, it can have an even more profound impact on workers at those job sites, Kane said. He has no plans to stop working unless ordered to do so. That's because there is such an intense demand for manpower these days that if one project shuts down, there's a very high risk those workers won't stick around and will instead find jobs on other sites.



FAIRFAX-ARLINGTON-ALEXANDRIA

[Decisions on Reston and Herndon Development Plans Delayed](#)

*Reston NOW, Fatimah Waseem
03/23/2020*

A decision on the previously deferred plan to bring a new telecommunication tower to Herndon High School's football field has been delayed, along with other votes and hearings on Reston and Herndon developments. The project was set to go before the Fairfax County Planning Commission last week on March 18. The approval of signage for Commerce



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Company
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Walker Title LLC

Park, a 260-unit multifamily building north of Sunrise Valley Drive and west of Commerce Park Drive, has also been delayed. A public hearing was planned for Wednesday, March 25. Another comprehensive sign plan by Reston Hospital Center was also slated for discussion on April 22. Tweaks to change lot lines for Montessori Children Center (2745 Centreville Road) were set to go before the commission on April 2. A plan to rezone roughly one acre of land from one residential unit to three residential units on the north side of Old Courthouse Road, just 300 feet east of Ervin Street, has also been delayed. The proposal by two residents was set for an April 29 public hearing. County government officials have not yet indicated when the regular schedule for public meetings will resume. The county passed an emergency declaration last week.

[Metro Waives Bus Fares for Two Months as Emergency Coronavirus Measure](#)

*Washington Business Journal, Jonathan Capriel
03/23/2020*

In a move to it hopes will help stymie the spread of the novel coronavirus, the board of directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority decided to waive all bus fares for 60 days. The order, issued during an emergency meeting held over a



teleconference and streamed to the public Monday afternoon, is one of a couple of new measures the system started implementing to keep passengers and bus drivers at least six feet away from each other. "I think it is very important to have this in place as quickly as possible," said Paul Wiedefeld, Metro's general manager. Officials with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority told riders Sunday that they should enter from the rear of the bus and not use their SmartTrip cards or put cash inside the fare box. Metro said in the statement it was "responding to a request from union leaders." The Fairfax County Department of Transportation also implemented a similar policy that would go into effect Tuesday.

[Apartments-Retail Development Planned for Springfield, Va., in 2023](#)

*The Washington Post, Michele Lerner
03/18/2020*

The mixed-use development planned for a 13.4-acre site in Springfield, Va., within walking distance of the Franconia-Springfield Metro station, recently gained approval for a 300-unit apartment building. Monument Realty and its investment partner, New York-based Atlas Capital Group, will add the



seven-story apartment to the Liberty View development. Liberty View, located at 6900 Beulah St. at the corner of the Franconia-Springfield Parkway, will include five office buildings. The location is within walking distance of retail sites. Monument Realty anticipates the area to become a high-growth area with the renovation of Springfield Town Center and the new Transportation Security Administration headquarters coming to the the area, as well as its proximity to the new Amazon headquarters. The apartments will include a

swimming pool and fitness center. The community will include bike trails, and Monument has the option of adding retail sites on the ground floor.

LOUDOUN

[Loudoun Closes County Departments in COVID-19 Emergency](#)

Loudoun NOW

03/17/2020

County employees are implementing social distancing measures in every office. To plan, train for and implement those protocols, some government departments shuttered their public operations for one to two days. Impacts range from the walk-up counter in the Department of Building and



Development in the county government center in Leesburg closing, to Family Services offices closing and receiving clients only over the phone, to libraries across the county closing on Monday and going to curbside pickup Tuesday. And the county will stop letting people outside county government use its public conference rooms until at least April 1. But many of the county's services are also available online. Many requests, for example can be made online through Loudoun Express Request, or LEX, at loudoun.gov/3055/Report-an-Issue. Information on zoning applications and decisions is online at the Loudoun Online Land Applications Map, LOLA, at loudoun.gov/3362/LOLA. And most tax transactions can be taken care of at loudounportal.com/taxes.

[Regal Cinema Redevelopment Plan Heads to Vote](#)

Loudoun NOW

03/17/2020

County Supervisors are prepared to give a green light to an eastern Loudoun redevelopment project. The Sterling Meadow project envisions 166 multi-family units in 13 buildings on the 10-acre property that has long been home to the CountrySide Regal movie theater.



While the theater opened in the 1990s as a state-of-the-art movie complex, attendance has waned as other, more modern theaters have opened in the county. Regal's lease for the property ends in September. During a public hearing last week, the proposed development got mostly support from supervisors, who said it would address the need for more affordable housing, help area businesses and contribute needed school and road improvements. Supervisor Michael R. Turner (D-Ashburn) said the proposal should be viewed by other developers as the "gold standard" for building compact suburban neighborhoods as envisioned in the county's new comprehensive plan. Supervisor Juli Briskman (D-Algonkian) said that, during the course of four community meetings, most of the neighborhood concerns had been addressed. Among the important features was an offer to build a new path that would provide safer access to area schools and the commitment to provide more affordable housing units. "Loudoun County needs housing that is attainable," she said.

PRINCE WILLIAM

[Prince William County School Board Asks for Additional \\$31.5M in 2020-21 Budget](#)

InsideNOVA, Emily Sides

03/20/2020

With board members keeping six feet apart during a brief meeting Wednesday, the Prince William County School Board voted 6-0 to approve a \$1.7 billion budget for the next fiscal year that includes \$31.5 million more than the county had previously agreed to in a long-standing revenue sharing agreement. School Board Chair Babur Lateef is expected to present the budget to the Prince William Board of County Supervisors at a meeting March 31, but that will depend on the status of the coronavirus crisis. County staff proposed a budget based on a 2 cent increase in the residential tax rate, increasing to \$1.145 for every \$100 in assessed value, compared to the current rate of \$1.125. The budget includes \$38.7 million more going toward the school division - a 6.4% increase over the current budget, but it's \$15.3 million less than school board is requesting.



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FAUQUIER

[General Assembly OKs Bills to Address Dirt Dumping in Rural Areas](#)

Fauquier Times, Daniel Berti

03/23/2020

Rural landowners impacted by the dumping of construction dirt and debris on agricultural land may get some relief after new rules were approved by state lawmakers last month to address the issue. The move comes after years of complaints from affected landowners in rural Virginia counties, including in Fauquier and Prince William, about the noise, traffic and drainage issues associated with construction dumping on rural lands. In some cases, landowners have reported long lines of dump trucks traveling along rural roads to dump debris and dirt from construction sites on agricultural land. Others have reported massive dirt plateaus hovering over nearby properties. Two bills sponsored by local lawmakers could put the brakes on the practice by providing additional oversight of construction dumping by state agencies. Both bills were approved by the General Assembly last month. They'll now head to the governor's desk for final approval.



HOMEAID

[The Community Needs You: Builders for Babies and Mask/Eye Protection Drives](#)

HomeAid Northern Virginia

HomeAid Northern Virginia is part of a nation-wide effort with the Leading Builders of America COVID-19 Response team to collect masks and eye protection. The shortage of masks and eye protection among health care workers is at a crisis level-and anything helps (masks do not need to be medical grade-dust masks are better than nothing). There is also a critical need



for diapers and wipes. If you are out and notice that diapers are in stock and are able to get a box to donate-or are able to donate a gift card to Target, Walmart, grocery stores-HomeAid is collecting them and will distribute to our non-profit partners as well as directly to families in need in our community. You can drop off masks/eye protection, diapers, wipes, or gift cards to the HomeAid Office (3684 Centerview Drive, Suite 110B, Chantilly, VA) between 8 am and 5 pm on weekdays (there will be a collection box in the entryway in case the door to our office is not open) or contact HomeAid Executive Director & CEO Kristyn Burr at kburr@homeaidnova.org to make other arrangements.

Office Operations Notice: Given the rapidly evolving situation with the COVID-19 virus, HomeAid Northern Virginia staff will work remotely for the week of March 23-27. All staff will be available via [email](#) and phone. For additional resources and ways to help, please see the [COVID-19 Resource Page](#) on our website. Thank you for your support and understanding!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

[Loudoun Chapter Business Meeting](#) - Thursday, March 26th, 7:55AM to 9:00AM, Conference Call: 605-313-5111, Access Code: 358-454

[Regional Legislative Breakfast](#) - POSTPONED - Tuesday, March 31st, 8:00AM to 10:00AM, International Country Club, Fairfax, VA

[Prince William Chapter Business Meeting](#) - Wednesday, April 1st, 8:00AM to 9:00AM, Tentative: Updated info to follow next week

[Fauquier Chapter Business Meeting](#) - CANCELED - Tuesday, April 7th, 4:30PM to 5:30PM

[Business Development 101 Sponsored by Future Leaders](#) - POSTPONED - Wednesday, April 8th, 5:30PM to 7:00PM, P.J. Skidoos, Fairfax, VA

[Women in the Building Industry Spring Mixer](#) - POSTPONED - Tuesday, April 21st, 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

[Parade of Homes](#) - POSTPONED - May 2nd and 3rd, 11:00AM to 4:00PM, Throughout Northern Virginia

[NoVA Build PAC Clay Shooting Fundraiser](#) - NEW DATE - Friday, May 29th, 8:00AM to 1:30PM, Bull Run Shooting Center, Centreville, VA

[WMSMC Architecture & Design Trends Summit](#) - POSTPONED - Friday, May 15th, 8:00AM to 10:00AM, International Country Club, Fairfax, VA

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

Education: Certified Aging in Place Specialist (CAPS) - May 20th -22nd, 9:00AM to 5:00PM, Ferguson Enterprises, Chantilly, VA

Fairfax Chapter Spring Mixer - Tuesday, June 9th, 4:30PM - 7:00PM, Warhol Modern Farmhouse, Great Falls, VA



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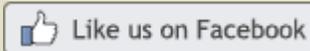
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