



We've tried to keep you up to date on happenings in and around Pohick Estates. You haven't heard much because the little progress has been made to date on the land development project. The developer has yet to submit satisfactory responses to FFC's letter of demands. There has been some communication but from what I have been told nothing has been satisfactory. So, we still seem to have the upper hand. My dealings with the South County Federation seem to have swayed them to be on our side so we have a real ally in the fight. So, it's still a waiting game.

The "Long Bridge Project" is a project to add a third rail line along a portion of the existing line to the Occoquan River which will pass over Lorton Road. I don't have the details but it will require narrowing the existing roadway under the rail line on Lorton Road to allow for the construction. Needless to say it will be a lengthy process so expect backups if you have to travel that road. I'll do some more digging and be more specific on the proposed schedule later.

FFC is still surveying the area for the pathway between LaGrange and the town homes past Cullum Street. There isn't any schedule published yet on the construction. Again, I'll do more digging and publish what information I can gather.

I would love to have a few volunteers to monitor these projects for me. It would not require a lot of your time once you are up to speed on the scope and current status. And because they are long term projects, the

parts and pieces will move slowly so occasional phone calls should be all that will be required to stay on top of the projects. Any volunteers????

One event that I consider a must attend function is the Mount Vernon Town Hall. Supervisor Storck hosts it every year and this year it is scheduled for 7 February at the Mt Vernon High School. Doors open at 0830. The Girl Scouts will be at the front door selling their cookies and inside there will be around 75 organizations providing information on their services. To mention a few: the FFC Police, FFC Code Compliance, conservation groups, Parks and Recreation, Boy Scout, Genealogy, Democratic and Republican committee booths, FFC Library staff, and MANY others. Last year I counted 75 booths. After an hour or so gathering info from the displays you can move to the auditorium for a rundown on ALL the projects that are ongoing or in the plans that will affect us directly or indirectly in our taxes. You can submit questions for the panel as well. Believe me, it is a morning well spent.

Pohick Estates Civic Association (PECA) is maintained by VOLUNTEERS but there are some costs to keeping it running, Your PECA voluntary \$20 membership supports the [PECA website's](#) hosting and domain fees. Volunteers update the website and PECA residents are encouraged to suggest relevant website content changes.

The PECA voluntary \$20 membership also funds membership to the South County Federation. PECA volunteers attend these meetings, with the goal being to promote infrastructure improvements that help Pohick Estates. An example is the need for a sidewalk across from our neighborhood street exits. Your membership also makes you a voting member of PECA and it pays for the PECA P.O Box.

If you have not already done so, please pay your \$20 Voluntary Membership fee. You can easily pay using a credit card or PayPal using the PECA [Subscribe Page](#). You can also mail a check payable to PECA to the following address: Pohick Estates Civic Association, PO Box 121, Lorton, VA 22199-0121

PECA volunteers are always needed, suggested opportunity areas can be found on the [PECA Volunteering page](#).

Feel free to reply to this email with comments/suggestions.

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