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Town of Vienna, Virginia

of Virginia enacted legislation to place a two-year moratorium on all consolidation and annexation in the Commonwealth and directed the Virginia Advisory Legislative Committee to make a thorough study of various forms of local government and to make recommendations to the 1964 General Assembly, which will likely result in a new form of government being available to urbanized areas such as Vienna and parts of Fairfax County, and

WHEREAS, the Town government of Vienna is interested in cooperating with the government of Fairfax County in regional planning and in any other way that is beneficial to the citizens of Vienna, and

WHEREAS, although Virginia law does not provide for a referendum before a town becomes a city, the Vienna Town Council believes that the desires of the citizens of Vienna should be obtained before Vienna's form of government is changed,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Vienna Town Council hereby agrees as follows:

(1) Action to change the governmental status of Vienna or Fairfax County before adjournment of the 1964 General Assembly of Virginia would not be in the best interests of the citizens of Vienna, and

(2) The citizens of Vienna should be given an opportunity to determine which form of government Vienna should have before any

change is made in Vienna's present governmental status, and

(3) If because of some event not now known to the Council, Vienna should be forced to become a city in order to save its charter and sufficient time is not available to properly determine the desires of the citizens of Vienna before having to take such action, the matter will be submitted to the citizens as soon as practicable after taking such action to determine whether they agree or disagree with the action taken by the Council.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Town Council has approved the following street improvement program: MAPLE AVENUE-widen shoulders of 2-lane portion, asphalt walk and footbridge across Wolftrap Run-\$4500; COTTAGE STREET-resurface from shopping center to Kingsley Road-\$6000; COURTHOUSE ROAD-widen, add curb, gutter and sidewalk, Maple Avenue to Locust Street-\$1400; CENTER STREET-asphalt sidewalk, Town Hall to Battle Street-\$1400; ECHOLS STREET-Extend to Branch Road culvert at Wolftrap Run-\$15,000; GLYNDON STREET-VALLEY DRIVE-connect two streets by 200' construction-\$2550; WARE STREET-extend from Kingsley Road to Marshall Road, curb, gutter and sidewalk on one side only-\$9500.

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Mr. W.F. Costolo has been appointed part-time Recreation Director for the Town.

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AUTO TAGS

Town of Vienna auto tags are on sale at the Town Hall. The fee is \$10. Tags must be on cars by midnight April 16th to avoid penalty. On Saturday, April 14th, tags will be sold until 5 P.M. in the Public Works Office which is entered through the Police Station door at the rear of Town Hall.

VOTING

The Town of Vienna elections will be held on June 12, 1962 for the election of a Mayor and three councilmen. Citizens desiring to vote, if not already registered, must register with the Town Registrar by May 12th. Capitation tax must have been paid by last Dec. 5. Candidates for office must file for candidacy by April 13th. Further information on registering, voting and running for office may be obtained from the Clerk-Treasurer's office at the Town Hall (DU 5-6000). Voting machines will be used again by the Town in the June election.

VOTING DISTRICTS

A map showing the new voting districts in Vienna is on display at the Town Hall. Precincts are increased from three to five. Residents vote by precinct in all except Town elections. Town elections are at large with a single polling place in the Town Hall.

NEW WATER AND SEWER FACILITIES

The Town has signed an agreement for an additional supply of water

with the City of Falls Church which receives its water from the Dalecarlia plant in the District of Columbia. Under the agreement Falls Church is to supply Vienna with up to two million gallons of water a day and will give Vienna a surplus of water for many years to come. This supplements our present supply of well water. The initial cost of water to Vienna under the contract is 25¢ per thousand gallons compared to 32¢ per thousand for the limited amount now purchased from Falls Church. The price will go down as the amount of water used increases until, at two million gallons a day, the price will be less than 15¢ a thousand gallons. The water contract was signed after many months of negotiation by the Town Council and the Town staff and follows the recommendations of Michael Baker, Jr., Consulting Engineers, who made an extensive study of the Town's water and sewer systems. A 1 million gallon water tank is to be constructed on Wall Street beyond the northeast Town limits. The site selection followed recommendations of Michael Baker Jr.

Negotiations are underway for connection of the Town's sewer system to the proposed Difficult Run Spur of the Dulles Airport Potomac River Interceptor which will carry sewage to the District of Columbia plant south of Washington, and the proposed upper Accotink Sewer System of Fairfax County. Under the plan the south half of Vienna will drain into the Accotink system and the north half into the Potomac

Interceptor. In time, these sewer connections will replace our present sewage treatment plants. It is estimated, however, that it will be between 18 months to three years before either line is completed.

MAYOR'S MAIL BOX

Questions? Complaints? Suggestions? Ideas?

You can bring them directly to Mayor Wilson's attention by dropping them in the Mayor's Mail Box in the Council Room at Town Hall just outside the door to the Mayor's office.

The Mayor is employed by the Federal Government, but citizens can always reach him through the Mail Box.

WIDENING OF MAPLE AVENUE AND NUTLEY ROAD

The Town has now received the necessary additional right of way on Maple Avenue and Park Street to carry out the widening of Maple Avenue from Park to Glyndon Street. This widening is now underway.

The State Highway Department has a proposed project which will widen Route 123 from Tyson's Corner to a point just northeast of St. Andrew's Street. Mayor Wilson recently met with State Highway officials in Richmond and subsequently the Town received a communication stating they now looked very favorably towards making permanent widening improvements on Maple Avenue from Park Street to the Town limits when the Tyson's Corner improvements are made.

Nutley Road will be 4-laned with a divided center-strip and sidewalks on both sides and will be the Town's access to Route 66. The Town will acquire the land needed for the right of way and will be reimbursed 25 percent by the State and 50 percent by the Federal Government. These improvements are scheduled for completion in the Fall of 1963.

NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

The new Patrick Henry branch of the Public Library is now open to the citizens of Vienna. It is located at 325 Maple Avenue East in the new shopping center. Hours of operation are: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

In approving the Use Permit for the library, the Town Council directed that the permit fee be donated to the County Library Fund. The Library in Vienna was made possible by the Friends of the Library, who raised \$7500 toward the cost of the facility.

SCHOOL SIDEWALKS

Sidewalks leading to Marshall Road and Louise Archer Elementary Schools were recently completed.

NEW TOWN ATTORNEY

Mr. Paul Heubusch of the firm of Heubusch & Heubusch was appointed Town Attorney on March 5th to replace Mr. Marcus L. Beckner, Jr., who had submitted his resignation. A resident of Vienna, Mr. Heubusch is a former Councilman.

TOWN CODE

The ordinances of the Town of Vienna have been completely recodified and brought up to date. The price of the entire new code, including supplements for the first year, is \$20 per copy. Additional supplements will be \$2 per copy.

The price for the zoning ordinance alone is \$10. Other individual ordinances sell for 5¢ a page with a minimum of 25¢ for any one order.

COMMUNITY CENTER

A new organization, Community Center, Inc., will soon begin a fund-raising campaign for a community building in Vienna. The center, once built, would be maintained by the Town and would be available for all civic and youth

activities. The community center project was discussed at the last quarterly meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Committee.

MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Committee is scheduled for Spring. Representatives of all organizations in Vienna are invited to attend the meeting. Notice of the date of the next meeting will be carried in the local papers.

POLICE COMMENDATION

"The fine appearance, courtesy and willingness to be of service of Chief Pruitt and the men of the Police Department would reflect credit on any police organization and the community it serves."

So said an official of one of the large chain stores in commenting on the work of the Vienna Police Department during the opening of its new store in Vienna's large, new shopping center.

WARNING TO ALL CITIZENS

Beware of the unscrupulous operators who do business as building contractors and home improvement contractors. It appears that the home owner in many instances has been the victim of dishonest and unqualified operators, and citizens are advised, above all, to know their contractor or have good references as to his honesty and integrity.

GOVERNMENTAL STATUS SURVEY

A report on the best type of future government for Vienna was filed by the Public Administration Service, of Chicago, in January. The study had been commissioned by the Town Council. Copies of the report, which received wide press publicity, were given to all civic and business organizations of the Town. A copy is available at the Town Hall for interested citizens who desire to read it.

In summarizing the report for the Town Council, the project officer

from the Public Administration Service said that the decision to remain a town or become a city is a matter of judgment and should be determined on other than financial considerations. He added, however, that Vienna is a part of a rapidly growing urban complex and that many problems could best be solved on an area-wide basis. Toward that end, he suggested that Vienna should retain its corporate identity, preferably as a Town, while striving to obtain a form of local government for the larger urban area in which its own interests would be adequately represented.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON TOWN'S FUTURE STATUS

The following resolution was proposed by Mayor Wilson and adopted unanimously by the Council at its meeting of April 2nd.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Vienna believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens of Vienna to remain a town at this time, and such belief is in accordance with that of the Future Government Commission of Vienna and the Public Administration Service of Chicago, Illinois, and

WHEREAS, a petition was filed by Vienna in June 1961 in the Circuit Court of Fairfax County in the interests of allowing Vienna to retain its charter if the Fairfax County-Town of Clifton consolidation was successful, and such petition would lead to city status for Vienna if the Town Council reported population enumeration results to the Court, and

WHEREAS, the Circuit Court of Fairfax County subsequently ruled that the proposed Fairfax County-Clifton consolidation was illegal, and

WHEREAS, the 1962 General Assembly of Virginia failed to enact both the proposed bill to give Fairfax County a city charter and the bill that would permit Fairfax County to consolidate with a town or city within its borders, and

WHEREAS, the 1962 General Assembly