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Coronavirus pandemic

There's light at the end of the tunnel, but it's 'still quite a long tunnel'

Dr. Gloria Addo-Ayensu, director of the Fairfax County Health Department, shared information and insights related to the coronavirus pandemic during the December 8 On Deck with Mercury conversation.

Addo-Ayensu says that the ongoing spike in cases since November, due to the onset of cold weather, spending more time indoors, holiday gatherings, increased travel, more time spent in restaurants and gyms, and mitigation fatigue is “unfortunate.”

“It’s a shame,” she says, that a lot of people are getting sick and that many are dying,

especially when widespread availability of a vaccine is on the horizon. “This is, to a large extent, preventable.”

Repeating the public health mantra to wash your hands frequently, wear a face covering, keep six feet apart from others, and stay home if you’re sick, Addo-Ayensu says that: “Those measures we’re asking people to take are simple, yet powerful. And it’s all we’ve got right now until we get the vaccine.”

She appealed to audience members to “do the right thing,” especially because it’s impossible for us to know who in the community is vulnerable.

Vaccine on the horizon

Addo-Ayensu says that she has “no concerns” related to the safety of coronavirus vaccines. “Covid vaccines have been held to the same rigorous safety standards.”

What was different in development of the coronavirus vaccine was that instead of going through the steps of testing and then mass producing the vaccine sequentially, this time testing and development of promising vaccines were done simultaneously.

Addo-Ayensu anticipates that by April and beyond, the vaccine supply will be sufficient that individuals will be able to receive it through their doctor, pharmacy chains, or public health clinics.

Vaccinations, she says, protect individuals and the community. The goal will be to reach herd immunity, which prevents the virus from spreading easily. Herd immunity is achieved when about 70% of the population is immune.

“All of us who can get vaccinated, should take it,” Addo-Ayensu says. “It’s going to take all of us working together to achieve herd immunity. It could be a long 2021 if we don’t achieve herd immunity through vaccination.”

Once vaccinations become more widespread, we still won’t be able to simply “turn off” mitigations. We’ll have to practice precautionary measures still for quite some time, she says, and it could be at least through next fall before we’re able to hold large public events again.

Addo-Ayensu adds that we don’t yet know how long immunity through vaccinations will last.



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For now, stay the course

The scary thing about covid is that, while a large majority of people who come down with it recover, it's difficult to tell in advance how the disease will manifest in different individuals. Generally, those with cardiovascular disease, advanced age, obesity, and diabetes are most at risk. Anyone with risk factors who is diagnosed with covid should immediately check in with their primary care provider for advice and warning signs to watch for, Addo-Ayensu says. Anyone with covid who develops

breathing difficulties should seek help from a healthcare provider.

Until we reach herd immunity, she adds, we'll need to continue to take measures to protect the vulnerable among us.

"In a pandemic," she says, "nothing is 100% safe, but we take measures to limit our exposure. Outdoors is better than indoors. It's better to wear a mask than not wear one."

Eating out at restaurants comes with some risks because we can't eat with a mask on, and congregate eating is a high-risk activity that should be limited to people in our own household.

"As we gather around food, we tend to speak louder, and our droplets travel faster and further," she says, "especially if we're also drinking alcohol."

In addition, she says, it's always safer at home, and nonessential travel still should be limited.

"There's light at the end of the tunnel," she says. "but it's still quite a long tunnel."

To see the full interview, go to the Town's YouTube channel, https://youtu.be/N520gk9J8_g.

Councilmembers Want to Know survey results

Sixty-six responses were received to the Councilmembers Want to Know engagement strategy survey that was printed in the November issue of *Vienna Voice* and available online through the month of November.

Nearly three-quarters of respondents rated text or email as the most effective way to communicate with Councilmembers and more than half rated talking with Town officials in person positively. Interestingly, about 42% found social media an effective engagement tool and about 41% found it to be ineffective. Survey respondents rated Town Council and other public meetings as generally ineffective ways to communicate with officials.

Additional comments provided on the survey also indicated a split of opinions with one respondent asking for the addition of meetings via Zoom (which are being made available through the pandemic) and another saying, "Not Zoom." To register to attend public meetings virtually, go to viennava.gov/publicparticipation the week of the meeting to find the Zoom link.

The survey asked respondents to rate a variety of engagement strategies on a scale of 1-5, with 5 being the most effective for them and 1 being the least effective. For the ratings provided to the right, "ineffective" ratings include a 1 or 2 response; "effective" ratings include those who responded with a 4 or 5.

ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY	EFFECTIVE	INEFFECTIVE
Town Council meetings/ public hearings	24.25%	45.46%
Other public meetings	15.39%	50.77%
Talking with Town officials by phone	37.88%	39.4%
Talking with Town officials in person	57.58%	24.25%
Text or email	73.85%	9.24%
Social media	42.43%	40.91%
Mayor @ Your Service	22.73%	25.76%
Meet the Mayor	27.69%	30.77%
On Deck with Mercury	15.16%	37.88%

Vienna joins multijurisdictional team that will investigate police critical incidents

At its December 7 meeting, Town Council approved entering into a memorandum of agreement with 10 other Northern Virginia police departments to form a Critical Incident Response Team tasked with investigating officer-involved shootings, use-of-force incidents that result in serious injury or death, officer suicides, and in-custody deaths.

The response team's purpose, says Police Chief Jim Morris, is "to make sure we have independent, unbiased investigations. This will ensure that there is an objective criminal investigation of critical incidents in which a Vienna officer may be involved. We believe that Vienna's participation will further provide additional community

confidence in the way that the Vienna Police Department operates."

Each participating agency will appoint a detective or supervisor for a two-year term to the team, which is activated only when an officer-involved incident takes place. The team's findings will be presented to the appropriate commonwealth's attorney, who will determine whether or not to file charges. Ongoing specialized training related to investigation of critical incidents will be provided to team members.





Shaping zoning code update conversations

As the effort to clarify, simplify, reorganize, and update the Town’s zoning code gears up, the conversations that need to take place with Town Councilmembers and Planning Commission members as well as residents and business owners are beginning to take shape.

Sean Suder with ZoneCo, the consulting firm that the Town is working with, met with Town Council and the Planning Commission separately December 3 to identify residential zoning “hot topics” and present potential concepts to be shared with residents and other stakeholders for feedback.

Residents can expect to have opportunities to share feedback on a range of residential topics including, but not limited to:

- what should be included in lot coverage calculations
- allowing porches to encroach into the front yard setback
- accessory living units (also known as accessory dwelling units or in-law suites)
- cottage housing as a multi-family (multi-unit) development option.

As a first step in engaging the community in these conversations, the Planning and Zoning Department will issue a visual preference survey early in the new year.

“We know that Vienna residents are passionate about maintaining the residential character and high quality of life of the Town,” says Planning and Zoning Director Cindy Petkac, “and we’re really counting on residents to engage with us on these topics and others. We’ve dubbed our Code Create Vienna effort as a co-create opportunity because we value citizen input and want to build this new code together with the community.”



Exploring the options Cottage housing, as illustrated in this photo, is one of the alternative multifamily options up for discussion as part of the zoning code update process.

In addition to bolstering the Town’s quality of life, the zoning code update also aims to modernize the language used in the code and provide more descriptive, intuitive zone names; encourage additional housing options to serve Vienna’s diverse population; retain the Town’s largely residential character; and better organize the code and make it more user-friendly.

Residents can find up-to-date information about the Code Create Vienna effort as well as opportunities to engage at codecreatevienna.com. Webinars, surveys, and walking tour insights already are underway.

A Code Create Vienna virtual public meeting, via Zoom, is scheduled for 5:30 pm Wednesday, January 13. Visit codecreatevienna.com or viennava.gov/publicparticipation the week of the meeting for the link to register. 📌

The ‘Outer Limits’ of ‘The Twilight Zone’

by Councilmember Chuck Anderson

The *Outer Limits* and *Twilight Zone* are among the favorite shows of my youth. A theme used occasionally on both shows was a person stuck in time, unable to see that the world had changed. Something similar can be said about our zoning and subdivision codes, the laws that regulate the way buildings are built in Vienna.

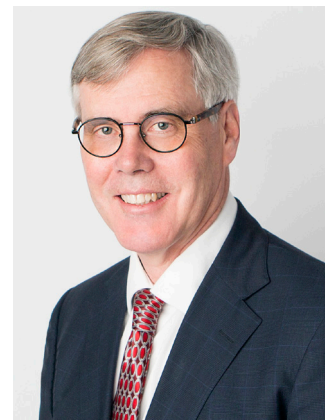
Reading the Town’s zoning ordinances can leave you with the unsettled feeling that they are stuck in time. Because they are. The codes are decades old and reflect the world in which they were originally written. The list of businesses that can operate on Maple Avenue include photostating offices, sign painting shops, and farm implement stores. But they don’t mention exercise studios or internet cafes.

The rules for apartments and condos were written at a time when the Town was pushing single-family houses over every other type of residential option. So now, we face a shortage of alternative housing. The current codes have been pushed to their “outer limits.” They are in their “twilight.” And so they are being rewritten through the Town’s Code Create Vienna initiative.

Most people don’t even think about zoning until change happens on a lot next to them. In the past few years, Town Hall has witnessed some pretty feisty debates about zoning, primarily regarding the

now suspended Maple Avenue Commercial district, or MAC.

As a Town, we have learned how important these codes are. If you haven’t already, I urge you to join the conversation on our zoning code update. A good place to start is the excellent online webinars being offered by planning and zoning staff, usually on the first and third Fridays of the month. Information about the webinars and other engagement opportunities and project updates are available at codecreatevienna.com.



Over the next year, there will be many public hearings and conferences on what our Town’s future zoning and subdivision laws should be. Now is the time for your voice to be heard and your opportunity to help us escape...the “twilight zone.” 📌

Giving voice to the Town's wildlife

by *Communications Specialist Adam Kincaid*

Vienna Animal Control Officer John Barker (yes, that's really his name) has had his paws on the pulse of Vienna's wildlife since he was hired by the Town's police department in 2009. Throughout his career, Barker has been both metaphorically and literally a community builder.

In fact, Barker comes from a family of community builders. His family relocated to the East Coast from Ogden, Utah, when his parents' church commissioned them to construct church buildings. Thus, in 1971, the family arrived in Sterling.

The building trade was something Barker learned about practically from birth. "I've always worked a job where I used my hands," he says, "and that's how I grew from working with my family and church into building and construction."

After graduating from Broad Run High School, Barker wound up as a superintendent and later production manager for the Airston Group, a building contractor formerly based in Prince William County, until the world changed in 2008, when, due to the housing recession, both the company and Barker went out of business.

When he heard about the animal control officer position in Vienna from a relative who worked for the police department, Barker saw

an opportunity to continue building in the community, albeit in a different way.

"I seized on the opportunity to work in a job where I both used my hands and also contributed on the management side," says Barker.

"My favorite part of my job is educating people on how wildlife communicate or don't as the case may be," he says. "Animals, of course, can't talk, just like an infant, so it's important to read their signs and be in touch with their needs."

As Vienna's animal control officer, Barker advocates for pets and wildlife and steps in when conflicts arise between wild creatures and the more domesticated homo sapiens. Barker is tasked with enforcing Town codes and Virginia laws dealing with animal care.

In addition to keeping his eye on the Town's wildlife, Barker keeps his mind on supplies for the police department and on organizing the department's evidence room. He also functions as both Vienna's police quartermaster and property evidence specialist. If an officer needs new uniforms or battery chargers or if a case is closed and property needs to be returned, then Barker handles it.

As for the Town's wildlife, Barker sees a wide range of opinions about how best to manage it. One person may love the fact that



photo by Adam Kincaid

a deer casually takes a nap in their backyard while another may advocate for eradicating all wildlife from the Vienna limits and putting up a 10-foot fence around Town.

Sometimes, human creatures play an unwitting role in encouraging wildlife to venture in close. "Birdfeeders actually attract fox too," he says. "After the birds are finished snacking and seed falls to the ground, rodents come to eat the fallen seeds. Foxes feed on small rodents and find them easy prey around birdfeeders."

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Deadline for the February issue is January 11.



Town economic development office works to make a difference in an uncertain year

In what is certainly an understatement, Economic Development Manager Natalie Monkou notes that, from a business perspective, 2020 was a “challenging” year where “at every turn there [was] a lot of uncertainty. Uncertainty is not a comfortable feeling for businesses nor for economic development.”

Hired just a little over a year ago as the Town’s first economic development manager, Monkou was energetically putting together technical assistance, one-on-one, and marketing programs to boost Town businesses when the pandemic struck this spring and unwelcomingly lingered throughout the year, ensuring that both businesses and Monkou would have to adjust. The Town has been able to more effectively support and assist businesses through the local impacts of the global pandemic in large measure because it has a dedicated staff member in the economic development role.



“Community is not just residents,” Monkou says, “it’s also businesses.

One of the reasons I was hired was to support existing businesses and grow the Town’s commercial base. Businesses need the presence of someone within the Town government who is focused on advocating for them every single day, to formulate programs and policies to support businesses. Without someone in this role, it would have been really difficult to pull all of these pieces together. My job is to understand the needs of businesses and advocate for them.”

“With creation of the economic development office, Vienna businesses finally have full-time representation within the Town government,” says Town Business Liaison Committee (TBLC) member Friderike Butler. “Since covid hit, Natalie Monkou has led the Town’s efforts to get crucial information to businesses, secure funding, find and give advice, and create marketing campaigns in collaboration with the TBLC and VBA [Vienna Business Association].”

Below is a list of some of the programs and services that the Town undertook in an uncertain 2020 to support Vienna businesses:

- **Marketing efforts**
 - Created campaigns, including Business Appreciation Week and Vienna Shop & Stroll, to encourage visitors and residents to shop local.
 - Partnered with the Vienna Shopping Center to create a Holiday Pop-Up Market, providing local artisans with an opportunity to showcase their talents in Vienna.
- **Policy & temporary changes**
 - Delayed by one month the due date for the first 2020 installment of real estate taxes.

- Issued an emergency ordinance providing for a temporary permit that allows businesses to conduct outdoor commercial activity.
- Issued an emergency ordinance to allow for child-care businesses in commercial zones.
- Created five-minute parking zones on Church Street to assist with contactless pick-ups.

- **Funding and financial relief**

- The Town provided \$1 million in its CARES Act funds to the Fairfax County RISE grant program, which ultimately gave \$2.75 million to 244 Vienna businesses and 10 nonprofits.
- The Town provided information about other financial relief programs available to businesses, including the Paycheck Protection Program (\$19-55 million went to 72 Vienna businesses) and Fairfax County microloan program (\$58,000 benefitted three Vienna businesses).
- Created a \$100,000 relief fund, using CARES Act funds, for Town residents and business workers.

- **Educational programs**

- Launched a series of educational webinars to help Town businesses navigate key operational issues throughout the health crisis. Topics ranged from applying for federal grants to innovative winter-ready strategies.

- **Community engagement and advocacy**

- Partnered with the TBLC and VBA to conduct surveys in April and November to assess how businesses navigated during the pandemic and to identify immediate needs.
- Conducted listening sessions with businesses and property owners.
- Created and maintained a comprehensive business resources webpage and produced a weekly e-newsletter with business-related news, economic development happenings, and resources.

If there’s been a silver lining to the pandemic, Monkou says that it’s evident in the strength, resiliency, and creativity that businesses and property owners have demonstrated. “Businesses have been pushed beyond their comfort zones and have had to innovate. There’s been no place for complacency during this pandemic.”

As for the future, Monkou is beginning to focus on what recovery and resurgence will look like. “We have to be hopeful and plan for the future,” she says. “We need to prepare for the opportunities that will be available when we’re at the point where a majority of Americans have access to a vaccine and people are ready to come back to stores and offices.”



photo by Adam Kincaid

Town Council Actions

The following items represent recent Town Council actions, but do not constitute official meeting minutes. The most recent approved Town Council minutes, agendas, and meeting videos are available online at viennava.gov.

December 7

- Received a presentation on the 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report audit from Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates.
- Approved demolition of the residential structure, detached garage, and outbuildings at Town-owned property at 124 Courthouse Road SW.
- Approved a resolution to recognize Liberty Amendments Month from June 19 through the third Monday in July.
- Approved the Town of Vienna Police Department's inclusion in the Northern Virginia Critical Incident Response Team memorandum of understanding.
- Approved the final plat for subdivision of 117-121 Courthouse Road SW and waived lot-shape factor requirements for lots 2 and 3 of the subdivision.
- Approved the final plat for a six-lot Parkwood Oaks subdivision, located at 601 Marshall Road SW and Ware Street SW.
- Upon receipt of recommendations from the Planning Commission and a finding that a request for site plan modifications does not impair the integrity of Chapter 18 nor the health, safety, and morals of the Town, Council approved the request for RM-2 multifamily, low-density, zoning district site plan modifications of requirements for front yard setback, side yard setback, and maximum lot coverage – as shown on the proposed site plan for property at 201 Park Street SE.
- Approved expenditure of \$83,295 in CARES Act funding with Currie Heating and Cooling for emergency procurement of installation of Global Plasma Solutions technology in Town buildings; work was to be completed by December 30.
- Approved expenditure of \$1 million with E.E. Lyons Construction for water system improvements, including new water meter installation, repairs to aging infrastructure, and provisions to increase functionality.
- Approved and affirmed the Town of Vienna's participation in the 2023 Northern Virginia Regional Water Supply Plan update in partnership with the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and other participating local governments. Also authorized the town manager to execute a letter of intent.

Open for business

Town of Vienna business licenses were issued in November to:



Advanced Fitness & Sports Performance
fitness center
527 Maple Avenue E
703-624-9621

Nation's Blinds
window shades, blinds sales
112 Church Street NW
703-991-3450

Vienna Hearing Center
ear, nose, and throat specialist
201 Park Street SE
703-938-5060

Vienna businesses with staying power

Congratulations to the following Vienna businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries this month.

40 YEARS
Irene Light Music Instruction
Jack Weil

35 YEARS
Daniel H. Wagner Associates

30 YEARS
Nora Fashion
Waters Contracting

25 YEARS
Bunaugh Construction Services
Computer Technology Solutions
Dave Johnstone Contracting
Maria L. Zapata
Star's Beads
United Air Temp

20 YEARS
Doodlebug Explorers Club
Kyllo Group
Management Consulting for
Development

15 YEARS
Advanced Pediatrics Lab
Arlan K. Van Dorn
Classic Construction of Northern
Virginia
Element Consulting Group
Kavita Malhotra
Ray Collins
Tango Enterprises

10 YEARS
Call Joey Group

HRB Tax Group
Malisse Skin Bar
Rudolph & Paino
S&H Plumbing
Societal-Systems Research
Vienna Family Dentists
Wells Fargo Advisors

5 YEARS
Aloha Mind Math
Ayurway Wellness
Bellaluxe
DC College Consulting
Euclid Specialty Managers
Find Your Oasis
House of Vape
Hozik & Company
Mad Man Mercantile

Moon Lake Spa
Nazo Shamal
Prime Learning Center
Pure Nurture
Red Fox Yarns
Second Factor
Swan Homes
Tangible Designs
Techwatch
Vienna Development Alliance
Vienna Vape & Tobacco





HAPPENINGS around town

George Mason University Professor **Dr. Jim Kinter** will present *Climate Change in the Commonwealth of Virginia* via Zoom at 7 pm January 5. Kinter is director of the Center for Ocean-Land-Atmosphere Studies and professor and chair of the department of atmospheric, oceanic, and earth sciences in Mason's College of Science. His presentation is sponsored by the Vienna branch of the **American Association of University Women (AAUW)**. To receive the Zoom link, email viennaauw@gmail.com by January 4. The AAUW Vienna branch is all "virtual" for now. Visit vienna-va.aauw.net to learn about the branch's activities, including book clubs, movie discussions, and informative programs.

The **Vienna Arts Society** unveils a new exhibit entitled *New Beginnings* January 6 at the Vienna Art Center, 243 Church Street NW. The art center is open 12-4 pm Wednesday-Saturday and follows CDC guidelines for social distancing. For details, call 703-319-3971 or visit ViennaArtsSociety.org.

Popular art instructor **Tricia DeWeese** will demonstrate how with a Sharpie she creates intriguing line drawings, which often lead to paintings, during a **Vienna Arts Society-sponsored virtual demonstration** from 10:30 am-noon Thursday, January 14. If you have a Sharpie and large sheet of paper, you can draw along with DeWeese. No experience needed. For details and to register for this free Zoom event, visit ViennaArtsSociety.org.

English and citizenship classes will be offered beginning January 19 at **St. Mark's Catholic Church**; registration opens January 5. Classes are offered for all skill levels and

will be conducted online via Zoom. Volunteers also are needed. For more information, visit stmarkesl.org or email stmarkesl@gmail.com.

The **Freeman Store & Museum and Little Library** are open by appointment only in January and February. To schedule a tour or for additional information, email historicvienna@gmail.com or call 703-994-9054.

Longtime Vienna residents and husband-and-wife duo **Sverrir Sigurdsson and Veronica Li** have jointly written a book, *Viking Voyager: An Icelandic Memoir*. A personal story, the book captures the heart and soul of Iceland.

"This is...an extraordinary tale of what it means to be Icelandic, how tenacity of spirit enabled a small country to navigate its way through hardship and war to contribute on the larger stage of human endeavors," says reviewer Paula Harrell, a historian and adjunct professor at Georgetown University.

Small ensembles of musicians from the **Town of Vienna Community Band** anticipate offering "driveway" neighborhood performances and mini concerts at the Vienna Farmers Market this spring. Currently the band is recruiting enthusiastic musicians in all sections, especially those who play flute, clarinet, bassoon, oboe, tuba, and euphonium. For more information, visit viennacommunityband.org.

Holy Comforter Episcopal Preschool and Kindergarten will begin accepting student registration applications for the 2021-22 school year January 11. An outreach program of the Church of the Holy Comforter, the school serves students ages 2.5 years through kindergarten and focuses on emotional, social, and academic growth in a loving, nurturing, and engaging environment. To schedule a virtual tour or for more information, call 703-938-3704 or visit holycomforterpreschool.com.

Throughout January and February, **used book donations** may be delivered in boxes or bags and placed on the Freeman Store porch benches. Textbooks, magazines, and romance novels are not accepted. Proceeds from the Used Book Cellar fund Historic Vienna, Inc. exhibits, programs, and other events.

Happenings Around Town notices are printed as a community service, and items are included as space allows.

Submit information by the 10th of the month preceding publication.

Submissions may be edited. Listings do not constitute an endorsement of content nor necessarily reflect any policy or position of the Town of Vienna, Town Council, or employees.

Harmonia School of Music & Art is holding **in-person and online music lessons and recitals**. Classes for the Rising Stars musical theater performance class, which will stage *Aladdin* in May, begin February 9. Auditions for the spring Main Stage production, *Something Rotten!*, are February 19 and 20. Ongoing registration is available at harmoniaschool.org.

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"I actually meet with folks who enjoy and love to see foxes around Town and others who want nothing to do with them," Barker adds. "In reality, the foxes provide a necessary service by keeping the rodent population under control and thus preventing them from damaging property all over Town. For deer, a lot of people think that the young fawns curled up in their yards are in distress, but they're just doing what mama told them to do while she goes off to feed."

Barker cautions that wildlife are meant to be enjoyed from a distance and should not be approached or fed. Their natural instinct is to stay away from humans, and feeding them interferes with that, causing them to become too comfortable around humans and thereby creating conflicts. 🐾

All dogs residing within the Town of Vienna must be licensed. Renewals are due January 31.

Topic on deck for January: Legislative Agenda with Town Attorney Steve Briglia

On Deck with Mercury is a monthly community forum hosted by Town Manager Mercury Payton. The program provides an opportunity for Town residents to learn about recent projects and accomplishments of the Town, receive a preview of upcoming initiatives, and ask questions and have an open discussion. On Deck with Mercury is recorded for later broadcast on the Town's cable access channel, channel 27 on Cox and 38 on Verizon Fios, as well as the TownofViennaVA channel on YouTube.


ON DECK
WITH MERCURY
6-8 PM
JANUARY 12
VIENNA COMMUNITY CENTER AUDITORIUM

**Police,
Fire & Rescue
Emergency
911**
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Vienna Police

703-938-4900 voice
703-255-5730 TDD
Non-emergency
703-255-6366 voice
703-255-5730 TDD
Community Center
703-255-6360 voice

TTY Virginia Relay 711
120 Cherry St. SE
Vienna, VA 22180
Vienna Town Hall
703-255-6300 voice
TTY Virginia Relay 711

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Vienna, VA 22180-5179
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January TOWN CALENDAR

1	Holiday: Town Offices & Community Center Closed/ No Waste Collection
2	Waste collection for January 1 (No brush, bulk, or yard waste)
4	Town Council Meeting • 8 pm
5	Windover Heights Board of Review • 7:30 pm
11	Town Council Conference Session • 7:30 pm
12	On Deck with Mercury (VCC) • 6-8 pm
13	Code Create Vienna Virtual Public Meeting • 5:30 pm
13	Planning Commission • 7:30 pm
14	Town Business Liaison Committee • 7 pm
15	Mayor's Walk • 9:30 am

15	Code Create Vienna Lunch and Learn (via Zoom) • 12 pm
18	Holiday: Town Offices Closed/Regular Waste Collection
19	Public Art Commission • 7 pm
20	Holiday: Town Offices Closed/Regular Waste Collection
21	Board of Architectural Review • 7:30 pm
25	Town Council Meeting • 8 pm
26	Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee • 7 pm
26	Transportation Safety Commission • 8 pm
27	Planning Commission • 7:30 pm
28	Board of Zoning Appeals/Public Hearing • 7 pm
28	Conservation and Sustainability Commission • 7:30 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings take place at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S. Meeting schedule subject to change; check viennava.gov for updates.

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years ago...

After nearly nine years of discussion and debate, Council agreed at the end of 1975, according to the January 1976 Town newsletter, to reconstruct Park Street, using federal and state funds, to a maximum width of 36 feet. Previously, Park Street was 18- to 20-feet wide with dangerous soft shoulders and poor drainage.