

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

MAY 1994 – Last month's dedication ceremony and open house at the new police headquarters building, 215 Center St., S., attracted a large turnout of residents to tour the facility, the construction of which was stalled for many months due to delays caused by the original contractor for the project.

MAY 1984 – "ViVa! Vienna!" the first annual Town Festival sponsored by the Greater Vienna Chamber of Commerce and the Vienna Jaycees, will be held on Church Street on Sunday, May 27. Church Street will be closed between Laywers Road and Mill Street, turning it into a pedestrian mall filled with craft booths, music, refreshments, children's entertainment and a special Memorial Day ceremony. Proceeds from the festival will be used by the Jaycees to send mentally handicapped children to a special summer camp.

MAY 1974 – The Vienna Economic Policy Advisory Commission intends to survey the business community's problems, strengths and weaknesses and is seeking citizen input to help in establishing a viable economic policy for the town. The Commission was created by the Town Council to recommend long-range goals related to the economic growth and well-being of Vienna.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE – 703-255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE – 703-255-6363

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP – 703-255-5727

Visit the Town's web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us

Recycle Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Batteries

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries is Saturday, June 5, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., N.E. This service of the Public Works Department provides citizens a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of vehicle waste products. For more information, call 703-255-6381.

Too often, used oil is improperly poured down storm drains or into sewers. Just one quart of oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water, releasing toxic metals such as lead, cadmium and arsenic into the environment. Recycled oil is a valuable resource that can be re-manufactured into new fuels.

Antifreeze, like oil, can contaminate water and should never be disposed of in drains or sewers. In addition, antifreeze stored around the house presents a great danger to children and pets; it tastes sweet but is deadly poison.

Improper disposal of automobile batteries is a leading cause of lead contamination in landfills and energy recovery facilities. In Virginia it is illegal to dispose of automobile batteries with refuse.

TOWN OF VIENNA

★Memorial Day★

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day. Trash will be picked up as usual that day for residents on the Monday collection route.

American Legion Post 180's Memorial Day ceremony will be held at Flint Hill Cemetery in Oakton beginning at 10:30 a.m. with a concert by the Vienna Community Band. In case of rain, the ceremony will be held at the Post Home, 330 Center St., N.

The Post 180 Auxiliary will conduct its annual Poppy Promotion throughout Vienna during Memorial Day weekend, with proceeds going to veterans' hospitals in Virginia.

Budget Hearing

At its May 10 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 2004-2005. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Copies of the proposed budget are available for review at Town Hall and Patrick Henry Library. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge at Town Hall, and the entire budget document may be purchased. For more information, call the Administrative Services Office at 703-255-6350.

A look at the proposed Town budget is included on pages 5-8 of this newsletter.

NEWSLETTER

May 2004

TOWN ELECTION TUESDAY, MAY 4

All Voting at the Vienna Community Center
Polls Open 6 a.m.–7 p.m.

For Mayor: M. Jane Seeman

For Council: Laurie Genevro Cole
Edythe Frankel Kelleher
Michael J. Polychrones

For election results, call the Vienna Newsline,
703-255-6333, about two hours after polls close
or visit www.ci.vienna.va.us

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703-938-4900 (Voice)
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703-255-6366 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)

The Town of Vienna does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The Director of Public Works has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements.

This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.

VIENNA TOWN HALL
703-255-6300 (Voice)
703-255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER
703-255-6360 (Voice)
703-255-5739 (TDD)

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Public Works Week Open House

The Vienna Department of Public Works will be celebrating Public Works Week with an open house at the Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., N.E., on Thursday, May 20, from 2 to 6 p.m. All residents, school and scout groups, and others interested in seeing the facility and a display of Public Works vehicles are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served, and there will be "hard hats," Clean & Green coloring books and other goodies for the kids. Groups of five or more should call 703-255-6381 for reservations before May 14.

The open house will also include the dedication at 3 p.m. of the vehicle maintenance facility at Northside in honor of Vincent J. Olson, in recognition of his service to the citizens of Vienna as a Town Councilman from 1976 to 1988 and from 1989 to 2003.

NEW IN TOWN? Vienna's Public Information Office has a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up or Call 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

JANUARY 26, 2004

- Authorized a letter to be sent from the Town to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors recommending that the national standards for fireworks displays are adequate and do not need to be changed.

- Adopted a resolution honoring Fred Crabtree for his dedicated service to the Vienna Little League and upon his induction into the Home Plate Club of Washington, DC, Hall of Fame.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the zoning code to provide notification to adjoining property owners and those across a public street of applications for site plan modifications.

- Approved a donation of \$325 to the Northern Virginia Model Railroaders to assist in printing an informational brochure.

- Approved funding in the amount of \$1,000 for a study by Columbia Telecom

of the feasibility of a joint regional information technology recovery site.

- Awarded a bid for a cab and chassis with 17-foot dump body for the Department of Public Works Street Maintenance Division to Elliot/Wilson Capitol Trucks of Landover, MD, at a cost of \$94,349.

- Awarded a bid for a high flow all-wheel steer loader and trailer for the Department of Public Works General Maintenance Division and the Department of Parks and Recreation to Bobcat of Virginia, Bristow, in the estimated amount of \$43,017.

- Approved the purchase of a 2004 Ford full size half-ton pickup truck for the Department of Parks and Recreation Landscape Maintenance Division from Colonial Ford Truck Sales of Richmond in the amount of \$12,733.79.

- Approved replacement of the Freeman House porch by Gunnell & Son of Warrenton in the amount of \$23,638.

- Awarded a contract in the amount of \$15,630 to Whitman, Requardt & Associates of Fairfax for architectural and engineering plans for the interior renovation of the maintenance building at the Nutley Street Property Yard.

FEBRUARY 2, 2004

- Appointed David Miller to the Planning Commission and appointed John DeLong to the Transportation Safety Commission, both for two-year terms.

FEBRUARY 23, 2004

- Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.

- Reappointed Rebecca Hartley to the Board of Architectural review as the attorney member and reappointed John Scheib to the Planning Commission, both for two-year terms.

- Following a public hearing, approved increases in water, sewer, connection and meter fees, effective March 1.

- Approved the Vienna Jaycees' request to conduct its Farmers' Market behind Town Hall on Saturdays from May 1 through October 30.

- Approved a one-year contract with Quality Tree Care for tree maintenance and removal at a cost not to exceed \$25,000. (Approved 6-1, Verinder voting nay.)

- Approved leasing three 12-passenger vans from Thrifty Car Rental at a cost of \$12,818.19 for the Parks and Recreation Department's summer camp programs. (Thanks to Navy Federal Credit Union for providing funds to help offset the cost of the vans.)

- Approved leasing vehicles from Thrifty Car Rental for police undercover (continued on Page 4)

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

M. Jane Seeman, Mayor

Albert J. Boudreau George E. Lovelace
Laurie Genevro Cole Maud F. Robinson
Edythe Frankel Kelleher Sydney H. Verinder

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Chief of Police Col. Robert A. Carlisle 703-255-6390
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Town Attorney Steven D. Briglia 703-255-6305

Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.
FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@ci.vienna.va.us
Deadline for June issue is Friday, May 14.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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May

2004

Sunday
All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise

Monday
Town Council (meeting includes public hearing on FY 2005 budget)

Tuesday
Town Election
Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Planning Commission
Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday
Town/Business Liaison Committee 6:30 p.m.
Board of Architectural Review

Friday

Saturday
Armed Forces Day
"Viva! Vienna" town festival on historic Church St. through May 31

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Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week

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Town Election
Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.

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Town Council (meeting includes public hearing on FY 2005 budget)

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Town Council budget work session (if needed) 7:30 p.m.

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Town Council

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Transportation Safety Commission

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Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m.

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"Viva! Vienna" town festival on historic Church St. through May 31

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Memorial Day
Town Hall closed

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Sons and Daughters Cemetery Appreciation Day will be held on Sunday, May 30, beginning at 2 p.m. The cemetery, located in the 500 block of Orchard St., N.W., was established in 1892 by the United Order of the Sons and Daughters of Liberty Lodge No. 9. There are over 200 graves in the cemetery, many belonging to former slaves, freed colored citizens and their descendents along with colored soldiers who served under Capt. Salsbury in the Union Army's 26th Regiment. The cemetery is still in use and now belongs to the First Baptist Church of Vienna. Last year it was placed on the Town's register of historic sites.

Merchants Open Forum, sponsored by the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Town/Business Liaison Committee, will be held on Wednesday, May 26, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Town merchants are invited to discuss the issues and goals this advocacy group should address. For more information, visit vtrcc.org or contact Carole Wolfand, 703-282-5252, e-mail wetpnt@aol.com, or Maris Angolia, 703-281-0558, e-mail maris@karinsflorist.com.

Farmers' Market behind Town Hall, sponsored by the Vienna Jaycees, will be open each Saturday beginning May 1 from 8 a.m. to noon, featuring fresh fruits and vegetables, cut flowers, baked goods, soaps and kettle corn. New this season will be eggs, dips/marinades/rubs, desserts, dog treats and nursery grown flowers and plants. For more information, call Karyn at 703-861-7784.

Farmers' Market at Nottoway Park will be open every Wednesday, rain or shine, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Twenty vendors will offer home-grown fruits and vegetables, many organic, plus baked goods, plants and herbs. A Plant Clinic will be open from 9 a.m. to noon. For information, call 703-281-3530 or 703-591-2988.

VIP Vienna, a support group for visually impaired persons and their families, will meet at 10:30 a.m. Thursday,

May 20, at Patrick Henry Library. Free of charge; no registration required. Guest speaker will be Fairfax County Registrar Margaret Luca. For more information, call the Fairfax County Access Services Office at 703-324-8380.

Celebrate the dedication of the WWII Memorial on Saturday, May 29, at Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N. All are welcome, especially World War II veterans, to watch the dedication ceremonies and hear WWII speakers. Breakfast will be available from 7 to 11 a.m. and lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., followed by the dedication ceremony on a big-screen TV. For more information, call 703-938-9535.

Yard sale, sponsored by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, will be held on Saturday, May 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the fire department parking lot. In case of rain, the sale will be held indoors. Refreshments will be sold. Sales space is available for \$10; bring your own table or rent one for \$5. All proceeds benefit the Fire Department. To reserve a space, call 703-818-0555 or e-mail AuxiliaryVFFD@aol.com.

Used books wanted for Historic Vienna Inc.'s annual sale June 12 and 13 at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. Donations may be dropped off any time. (Leave books on the front porch after hours.) Please do not bring magazines, textbooks or *Reader's Digest* condensed books. For more information, call 703-938-5187.

Vienna Toastmasters will meet at the Vienna Community Center May 12 and 26 at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in developing the skills of effective communication is welcome to attend. For information, call Jim Tompkins at 703-201-6555.

New Life Wellness Center, 301 Maple Ave., W., will present "Balancing Hormones Naturally" on May 12 and "Freedom from Headaches" on May 17. Free of charge. Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. To register and for more information,

call 703-242-7474 or visit www.newlifewellness.com.

La Leche League of Vienna will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 8, at the American Legion Post, 330 Center St., N. The topic for this month is "Baby Arrives: the Family and the Breastfed Baby." Pregnant and nursing women and their children are welcome to attend. For more information, call 703-281-5801 or 703-716-4872, or e-mail abcgray@hotmail.com.

Southeast Vienna Home Tour for ages 12 and over will be held on Saturday, May 8, from 1 to 4 p.m. Custom homes will be open at 851 Shady Dr., 706 Spring St., 707 Glyndon St., 834 Moore Ave. and 512 Center St. Tickets are \$20 per person, available at the homes on the day of the tour. Proceeds will benefit the Lukemia and Lymphoma Society, and Cunningham Park and Vienna Elementary Schools. For information, e-mail abukont@cox.net.

Vienna AARP will meet at 1 p.m. Monday, May 17, at the Vienna Community Center. Guest speaker will be former Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Kate Hanley. For more information, call Emilie Larson at 703-938-1379.

Breakfast buffet, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary of Vienna, will be held on Sunday, May 16, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Dyer-Gunnell Post 180, 330 Center St., N. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. For more information, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

The Legion Auxiliary will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 12, at Post 180.

"Art in Bloom," art exhibit and sale hosted by the Vienna Arts Society, will be held April 30-May 2 at the Vienna Community Center. Free admission. Hours are 5-7:30 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday and noon-4 p.m. Sunday. Over 100 regional artists will participate. On Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. members of the Ayr Hill Garden Club will interpret several of the paintings with floral arrangements as part of its 75th anniversary flower show, "Bringing 75 Years of Beauty to Vienna."

Police to Test New Emergency Notification System

Beginning the week of May 3, the Vienna Police Department will conduct the first official test of its new emergency notification system, also known as reverse 911. Called "The Communicator!," the technology was developed by Dialogic Communications Corp. and is designed to alert the local community automatically in an emergency situation such as a natural disaster or public health threat.

The test is necessary to ensure that the system is fully operational should an emergency actually occur. The system will deliver a detailed phone message informing residents they are listening to a test and will not be required to take any further steps.

Testing will take place by town quadrants in the evening between 6 and 9 p.m. Test dates for each quadrant are: northeast - week of May 3; southeast - week of May 11; northwest - week of May 19; southwest - week of May 26.

The system was acquired with a data base of the most current available phone listings for the Town of Vienna. However, if you do not receive a phone message during the testing week for your quadrant, please fill out the form below and return it to the Police Department. If you do not want to be notified in the event of an emergency, you can elect to opt out of the program by filling out the form and checking the opt out box.

For more information, contact Sgt. Tom Burt at 703-255-6365 or e-mail police@ci.vienna.va.us.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FORM

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ADDRESS: _____

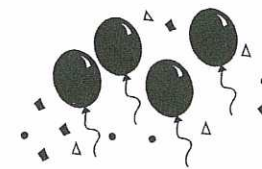
PHONE NUMBER: _____

I wish to opt out of the Emergency Notification System

Please mail or bring this form to the Vienna Police Department, Attention: Sgt. Tom Burt, 215 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180

Viva! Vienna! 2004

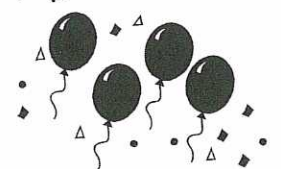
20th Annual Town Festival Along Historic Church Street



Saturday, May 29, 10 a.m.-11 p.m.

Sunday, May 30, 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Monday, May 31, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.



Arts & Crafts Vendors Sunday & Monday ≈ Live Music & Entertainment Afternoons & Evenings
Wide Assortment of Food & Drink ≈ Carnival Rides for Adults & Children

For Information Visit www.vivavienna.org or Call 703-255-4742

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Vienna, Navy Federal Credit Union and the Town of Vienna with Support from BB&T, Cold Stone Creamery, Cox Communications, Fidelity Investments, Koons Tysons Toyota, Marco Polo Restaurant & Caterers, MetLife, Odin, Feldman & Pittleman, Potomac Bank of Virginia, Simpson Heating and Coolong, United States Postal Service, Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce, Xerxes Financial Group

Council Action

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narcotics operations and other criminal investigations at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 per year.

- Approved the purchase of a video monitoring alarm system for the police station from Virginia Information Technologies Agency in the amount of \$23,065.77. A portion of the cost will be offset by grant funds.

- Authorized a 401(a) money purchase plan for the Chief of Police.

- Adopted an amendment to the zoning code to provide notification to adjoining property owners and those across a public street of applications for site plan modifications.

- Referred to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation a proposed amendment to the zoning code defining "structure" to include patios and decks.

MARCH 1, 2004

- Accepted the resignations of Nancy Oakes from the Board of Zoning Appeals and Robert Bingham from the Transportation Safety Commission.

Snow Removal Award Winners

Snow removal awards for the winter of 2003-2004 have been presented to John R. Runyon, Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Schuette, Doug Birdsong, Tom Arthurs, Lynn Davis, Frederick Botz, James Epik, James Thrasher, Janet and Harry Hite, Robert Zillian, James Simpson, John Balenger, Frank Banner, Mr. Eiden, Whole Foods Market, Vienna Presbyterian Church, John Katchmer, John McGinnis and C.H. Moon.

These honorees were nominated by town residents for removing snow from their own driveways and/or sidewalks, or helping others in removing snow.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in February and March:

Charles D. Darby
accountant
514 Tapawingo Rd., S.W.
703-281-1040

Wild Art
sales of art & paintings
607 Niblick Dr., S.E.
703-938-2020

WDS
data processing
531 Highland St., N.W.
703-938-4677

J. Warwick
guitar maker
230 Dominion Rd., N.E.
703-283-0619

AK Technology
computer software
development
503 Roberts Dr., N.W.
703-281-1879

Wendelyn A. Lichte
bookkeeping
1121 Moorefield
Hill Ct., S.W.
703-242-8601

Seniors 'n Sync
senior fitness instructor
312 Orchard Ct., N.W.
703-281-1560

Simply Locarb
weight loss center
209 Maple Ave., E.
703-255-7000

Kunon of Vienna
distributor
517 Maple Ave., W.
703-691-0244

Jim Goldsmith
landscape
512 Valley Dr., S.E.
703-568-2802

Cold Stone Creamery
carryout ice cream
205 Maple Ave., E.
703-281-1940

Edith King
mail order
114 Hickory Cir., S.W.
703-281-3855

Barnaby's
restaurant
147 Maple Ave., W.
703-319-8500

Super Dry Cleaner
dry cleaner
121 Maple Ave., W.
703-481-1399

Sweet Ginger
Japanese restaurant
120 Branch Rd., S.E. #B
703-319-3922

Creative Shopping Services
personal shopper
118 Wilmar Pl., N.W.
703-242-8153

Fosters Grille of Vienna, 138 Maple Ave., W., will donate 10% of all sales on May 2 and 23 to Special Olympics.

Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries in April and May: *30 years* — Obstetrical & Gynecological Associates; *20 years* — Ted & Charlene Przybyla, Vienna Floors & Wallcoverings; *10 years* — Animal Dental Clinic, Campania Management Co., Electric Avenue Associates, M.B.A., Inc., Park Street, Inc., Shahram Ghaffarkhan, Silver Star Motors, Vienna Tiger Mart.

Police Seek Support For Special Olympics Torch Run

The Vienna Police Department will be participating in the 2004 Virginia Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics, along with other police departments throughout the state. The Torch Run is held each year to raise money for Special Olympics, the largest sports program for mentally retarded children and adults.

The police are asking the community for support through the purchase of Special Olympics T-shirts and hats, available at police headquarters, 215 Center St., S., Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monetary donations are also welcome.

For more information, contact Officer Donna Rippley at 703-255-7832.

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. Activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Vienna Theatre Company's production of "Evita" continues May 1, 7, 8, 14 and 15 at 8 p.m. and May 2 at 2 p.m. General admission \$9; students and senior citizens (65 and older) \$8.

Enjoy a favorite family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, May 21, beginning at dusk (around 8 p.m.). Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Parents are required to stay with their children during the movie. For information on which G-rated film will be shown, call 703-255-7842 after noon on May 19 and for weather information on the day of the show.

"KidsFest 2004," sponsored by the Vienna Police Department, Parks and Recreation Department and Volunteer Fire Department, will be held on Saturday, May 1, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All activities are free of charge. Car seat safety checks will be available throughout the day, along with a moon bounce and face painting. Other activities will include a puppet show at 10:30 a.m., "balloonologist" at 11:30 a.m. and magic show at 12:30 p.m. Advance registration is required for participation in the bicycle safety rodeo, which will begin at 10 a.m. for ages 5 and 6, 11 a.m. for ages 7 and 8, and 12:30 p.m. for ages 9-12.

Personal history symposium, Thursday, May 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Keynote speaker will be publisher, author and writing teacher Robert W. Middlemiss, who will discuss what it takes to write an exciting and interesting memoir. Participants are asked to bring along stories about their own writing experiences or interest in writing. The fee of \$5 per person includes beverages; bring a bag lunch. Advance registration required.

BUS TRIP

Enjoy the casino at Midway Slots in Delaware on Thursday, May 20. A charter

bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. and return about 6 p.m. The cost of \$15 for town residents includes transportation and buffet-style meal. Reservation deadline May 13.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Men's adult summer basketball league registration is underway. League play will be held June 21-August 6. Two 10-team divisions will play a round-robin schedule, with the top teams competing in a championship tournament. The fee is \$500 per team (plus \$20 for each non-county player).

Pohick Bay Regional Park hike Wednesday, May 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Naturalist Keith Tomlinson will guide the group through the marshland surrounding the bay, where wading birds and eagles, and native wildflowers and shrubs can be seen. The cost for town residents is \$12; transportation to the park, in Lorton off Rte. I-95, is on your own.

Walk & Talk Wednesdays at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, June 2, 9 and 16 from 11 a.m. to noon, will feature presentations on wetland and aquatic plants, their use in the garden and their importance in native plant conservation. The cost for town residents is \$10.

Dynamic Walking at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens May 13, 20 and 27 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Enjoy the beauty of the gardens as you learn dynamic walking techniques and dynamic body exercises plus how to use a pedometer to clock your steps. The cost for town residents is \$15 for all three sessions.

Children and Chiropractic: Natural Solutions to Common Childhood Health Problems will be presented on Saturday, May 22, from 10 to 11 a.m. Free of charge. Dr. Kathryn Anne Thompson will discuss alternatives to drugs and surgery in treating and preventing common childhood illnesses.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

What to Feed a Living Trust will be presented by attorney David Hoffman on Monday, May 10, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Topics will include Virginia trust law, funding your trust, trusts and mortgages, trusts and the IRS, record keeping and more. This seminar is free of charge, and no advance registration is required.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Open house for parents will be held at Club Phoenix on Wednesday, May 19, from 6 to 7 p.m. View the facility, learn about programs, meet the staff, complete the required registration form, discuss issues and concerns, or sign up to be an adult volunteer.

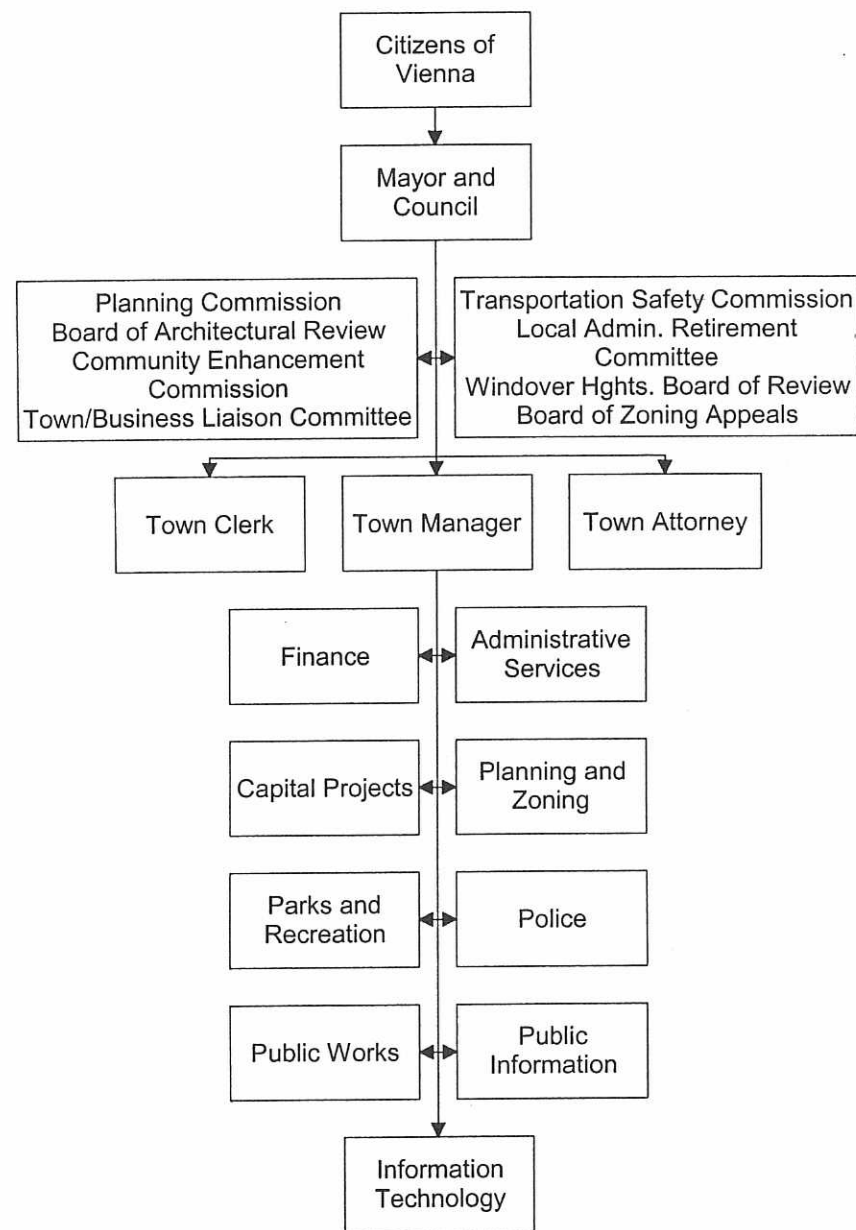
Concert night for high school students featuring live bands Saturday, May 22, from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission \$5. Students interested in booking a concert at Club Phoenix should call Brandy Mullen at 703-255-5721.

Middle school luau will be held from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, May 21. Enjoy Hawaiian shirts, leis and dance music. Admission \$4; food and drink available.

POTPOURRI

Reservations for groups of up to 75 people are available for the picnic shelters at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. The fee for Town of Vienna groups is \$25 for a maximum of five hours plus a \$25 key deposit for use of the restrooms. Reservations may be made by phone or in person at the Community Center Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Other parks in the area are also available for group functions. For information, call the Fairfax County Park Authority, 703-246-5700, and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, 703-352-5900.

TOWN OF VIENNA, VIRGINIA Organizational Chart



Vienna Receives Budget Award

For the tenth consecutive year, the Town of Vienna has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. This award is the highest form of recognition for governmental budgeting. In order to receive the award, a jurisdiction must satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well a government's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications device. Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all of these categories to receive the award.

Town Has Top Bond Rating

The Town of Vienna's general obligation bonds are rated "Aa1" by Moody's Investors Service. This high bond rating for a local government the size of Vienna is enjoyed by very few towns in the United States.

This rating enables the Town to finance debt at more favorable interest rates compared to those of municipalities with lower bond ratings, resulting in substantial savings for Vienna taxpayers over the life of the bonds.

Moody's noted that its high rating is based on Vienna's healthy economy, sound financial condition and rapid debt retirement.

The Town of Vienna borrows money by issuing tax-free general obligation bonds to finance major capital projects. The \$4.8 million of public improvements funded in the latest (2002) issue include acquisition of property at Maple Avenue and Mill Street for a Town Center Park and additional phases of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project.

Debt financing spreads the cost of capital projects over a period of many years, rather than charging the full cost to today's taxpayers. Also, the Town's policy of using meals and lodging tax revenues for a large portion of annual debt amortization payments limits the need for property tax increases to fund these projects.

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Town of Vienna, Virginia A Look at the Proposed Budget For Fiscal Year 2004-2005

MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

At the time the proposed Town budget was prepared, the uncertainty over the Commonwealth budget presented a problem in forecasting certain revenues for the 2004-05 fiscal year. We were forced to take a very conservative approach where state-shared revenues were concerned. The only "new" revenue source that has become available to us is the ability to levy a utility tax on cellular telephones, which would prevent Fairfax County from collecting the same tax from our residents and businesses.

The proposed FY 2004-05 General Fund budget is based on reducing the real estate property tax rate from 27½¢ to 26½¢. However, due to reassessments of properties, the 26½¢ rate represents an effective tax increase of 3.15%. The actual increase will vary by property depending on the percentage increase in the assessment, but the average homeowner in Town will experience an annual increase in the real estate tax bill of \$49.89. Total real estate assessments, including new construction, increased 10.24% in Town over calendar year 2003. With residents facing rising real estate taxes due to reassessment, it was our priority to attempt to lower the real estate tax rate as much as possible without compromising the level of service provided to our citizens. We have attempted to maintain all existing levels of service and, in some cases, increase funding in those areas identified as needing more resources to meet the requirements of residents and our departments. We have included funding for our annual market adjustment to certain employee salaries along with a 2% salary adjustment for all employees.

Proposed expenditures for the Water and Sewer Fund total \$5,173,300, an increase of \$151,300 or 3.0% over the previous year. Almost two-thirds of the increase is due to the higher costs of retirement contributions, health insurance, the cost of purchased water, and sewage treatment costs. Because of these rising costs, the severe reduction in billings caused by the abnormally high rainfall during the past year, and the need to maintain adequate reserves, we are recommending an increase in our water and sewer rates. We propose to increase the water rate for in-town customers from \$2.71 to \$2.83 per thousand gallons and the sewer rate from \$3.39 to \$3.57 per thousand gallons. Overall, a Town resident will pay an additional \$30 per year or just over 8¢ per day for water and sewer service based on a quarterly usage of 25,000 gallons. This represents an increase of 4.95% over current rates.

I invite you to read the entire budget message and proposed budget. The budget is available for public review at Town Hall and Patrick Henry Library. Citizens are also encouraged to attend the public hearing on the budget, which is scheduled for the Town Council meeting on Monday, May 10, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Sincerely,
John H. Schoeberlein
John H. Schoeberlein
Town Manager

Budget Preparation And Adoption

The Code of the Town of Vienna requires that by July 1 of each year, the Vienna Town Council adopt by ordinance a budget establishing the tax rate for the incoming year. Estimated revenues must be equivalent to estimated expenditures. It is mandated in the Code that the fiscal year begin on July 1 and end on June 30.

At least one public hearing must be held on the budget prior to its adoption. Seven days prior to this hearing, the Town Clerk must publish a notice of Council's intention to hold such an event. The budget cannot be adopted at the same meeting at which the public hearing is held. Two notices, again at least seven days apart, must then be published in a paper of general circulation announcing Council's intention to adopt the budget. Following this advertisement, Council may then adopt the budget. After this action is taken, the Town Clerk publishes the final notice of adoption.

The Town of Vienna's budget process begins in January of each year when Council presents to the staff its budget priorities for the upcoming year. Citizens who have suggestions about what items should be given priority for funding are encouraged to express their views in writing to the Town Manager. In addition, non-profit Vienna organizations may apply for donations of Town funds.

The Town Manager then prepares and submits to the Town Council his proposed budget, and copies are made available to the public. This year, budget work sessions were scheduled for April 12 and 17 and, if needed, April 22. The public hearing on the proposed budget will be held at the Town Council meeting on May 10, which begins at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. If Council considers it necessary, a final budget work session to discuss comments made at the public hearing will be held on May 18. Adoption of the budget is scheduled for the June 7 Council meeting.

PROPOSED FY 2004-2005 BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$ 6,655,152
<i>(26.5¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation)</i>	
Public Service Taxes	185,000
Penalties & Interest	22,500
Other Local Taxes	5,488,400
Permits, Fees & Licenses	47,340
Fines & Forfeitures	458,600
Use of Money & Property	121,700
Park & Recreation Fees	486,200
Special Services Fees	6,500
Miscellaneous Revenues	67,800
Non-categorical Aid	423,357
Categorical Aid	1,222,000
Reimbursements	9,040
Interfund Transfers	855,225
Use of Prior Year Reserves	623,524
TOTAL	\$16,730,808

EXPENDITURES	
Legislative	\$ 594,430
Administration	1,385,310
Finance Department	1,096,681
Police Department	4,633,818
Public Works Department	5,358,818
Tax Relief	190,514
Parks & Recreation Department	2,207,831
Planning & Zoning Department	548,079
Reserves & Transfers	244,785
PC Replacement	109,000
Equipment Replacement	361,542
TOTAL	\$16,730,808

WATER & SEWER FUND

REVENUES	
Use of Money	\$ 32,025
Water & Sewer Charges	4,912,475
Miscellaneous Revenues	13,800
Use of Prior Year	
Retained Earnings	215,000
TOTAL	\$5,173,300

EXPENDITURES	
Operations & Maintenance	\$3,427,818
Meter Maintenance & Reading	309,053
Billing/Customer Service	145,439
Transfers	1,219,288
Equipment Replacement	71,702
TOTAL	\$5,173,300

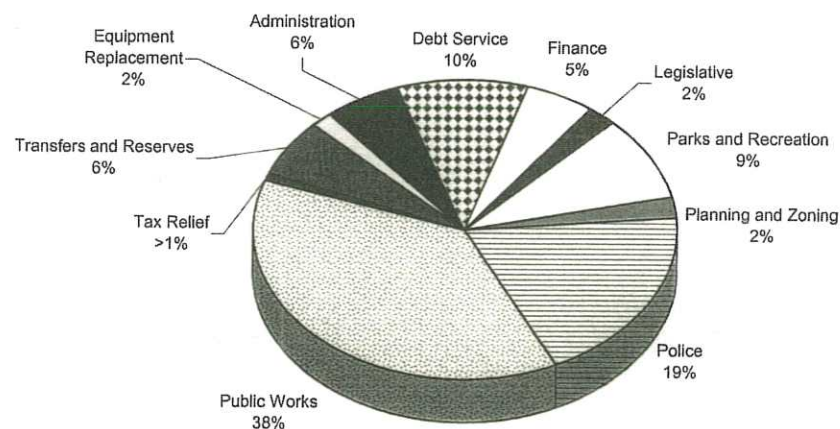
DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES	
Other Local Taxes	\$2,000,000
Use of Money	26,012
Interfund Transfers	364,063
Use of Prior Year Surplus	72,027
TOTAL	\$2,462,102

EXPENDITURES	
Administrative Costs	\$ 400
Debt Service	2,461,702
TOTAL	\$2,462,102

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$24,366,210

TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES



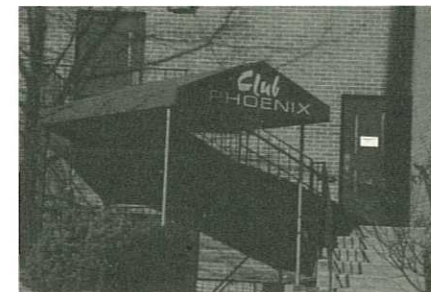
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PUBLIC WORKS

In the street maintenance budget funding is proposed for street resurfacing and concrete repair/replacement at the same levels as in the FY 2003-04 budget. Funds are also included for silt removal from Wolftrap Creek along with other areas where buildup has occurred. Also included in this budget is \$17,250 to satisfy new federal permitting and state mandated storm water management program requirements. In the refuse disposal budget costs for disposal of trash, yard waste and brush are anticipated to increase by approximately \$36,000. The snow removal budget proposes the replacement of one snow plow and the purchase of two additional magnesium chloride distribution systems for ice control.

PARKS AND RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Department had a very successful FY 2003-04 with expanded program offerings resulting in a sharp increase in revenues subject only to space availability. The department will continue to offer more programs for the community, and FY 2004-05 will see the Parks Maintenance Division relocated to a permanent facility at the Nutley Street Property Yard. At Club Phoenix Teen Center new programs have been initiated such as the Summer Teen Excursion Camps as well as additional teen class offerings. Sponsorship opportunities are being developed with local businesses and service groups.



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The addition of one employee is proposed in the Information Technology (IT) budget to meet the growing need for networking and general computer assistance. Interns are provided throughout the year through Northern Virginia Community College. During the past year the IT Administrator managed final installation of an I-Net fiber optic network to enable wide area network connectivity among Town buildings. The computer replacement program continues to be funded at the \$50,000 level to ensure timely replacement of departmental computers. Through this program the Town has been able to keep all computers and software current, and breakdowns have been held to a minimum. Funding has also been continued at \$59,000 for the future replacement of the financial systems.

VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

Funding for the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Program would rise by \$20,542 to \$361,542. This is \$4,458 less than the

amount projected for FYE 2005 in the original plan. The plan continues to provide for replacement of the Town's vehicles and major equipment through four-year financing designed to level annual funding requirements from year to year and maintain the level of reserves required for debt service in future years. The Town continues to be successful in purchasing most replacement vehicles and equipment below budget estimates, thereby strengthening the fund for future years.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Funding has been included in the proposed budget for one additional officer in the Investigations Division to be assigned to the 10th/11th Districts Congressional Gang Task Force that was recently created to combat gang activity in Northern Virginia. It is anticipated that the costs related to this position will be funded by a federal grant; otherwise, the position will not be filled.

ADMINISTRATION

In the FY 2004-05 budget personnel related expenditures account for 70% of the total proposed General Fund budget. Health insurance costs continue to rise and are expected to increase by approximately 15% this year. Retirement related costs (Virginia Retirement System, Local Pension Funds) are expected to increase in FY 2004-05 by \$357,527 over FY 2003-04. In addition, the Town will be required to contribute to the Virginia Retirement System Life Insurance Program in the amount of \$100,160 for the first time in several years.

PROJECTED REVENUES

\$132,000 in General Fund revenues are included in the proposed budget, which is estimated to represent 8 months of receipts, from a utility tax to be imposed on cell phones. Vienna has been given authority to levy this tax by the General Assembly effective July 1, 2004. Once Vienna approves the tax, Fairfax County will no



longer receive the revenue from cell phone utility tax in Vienna. The end user will see no change in the monthly bill as the cellular providers will now remit the tax to Vienna rather than Fairfax County. Slow improvement in the local economy has allowed us to project higher revenues from sales, utilities and business license taxes. It is estimated that the Meals and Lodging Tax will generate \$2,000,000 in FYE 2005, an increase of \$158,000 or 8.5% over the preceding year. This increase is due to both the improving economy and the opening of several new restaurants in town. Revenue from this tax is used exclusively to retire debt used to fund the Town's capital improvements.