PICKETT TRAIL CONNECTOR CITY OF FAIRFAX PUBLIC HEARING

January 11, 2022, 7:00 PM Held Electronically via GoTo Meeting

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Find out about the new Pickett Trail Connector off-road shared use path (SUP) project that will provide a new north-south connection between the Wilcoxon and Cross County Trails on the south with the City of Fairfax Connector Trail on the north. The new SUP is approximately 1,260' long and will be located on the east side of Pickett Road and will contribute to the overall expansion and continuity of the City's existing parks and trail network. It will provide greater access to surrounding retail shopping centers, office complexes, the I-66 trail facilities, Thaiss and Gateway Parks, and the Vienna/Fairfax Metro Stop. The alignment of the SUP was carefully selected to minimize the impacts to existing streams, wetlands, and floodways as well as surrounding trees and Threatened Endangered Species (RTE). Three surface typologies are anticipated for this trail which include asphalt, concrete boardwalk, and pedestrian bridge.

Pursuant with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 23 CFR Part 771, a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE) was prepared for this project. In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places was included with the PCE. The PCE was approved by VDOT in **October 2021**. As the project progresses, the City and VDOT will assess if any new significant environmental impacts have been identified that were not evaluated in the PCE. Environmental reauthorizations (23 CFR 771.129) will be prepared prior to authorizing ROW acquisition and construction to ensure that project development is consistent with the approved PCE.

Review project plans, information about property impacts, right of way policies, the tentative construction schedule and environmental documents at the hearing. This information will also be available 30 days prior to the public hearing at 10455 Armstrong Street, Room 200, Fairfax, VA 22030. Due to COVID19 an appointment may be required to view documents. Please contact Wendy Sanford at wendy.sandford@fairfaxva.gov if appointments are still required.

Give your written or oral comments at the public hearing or submit them by Friday, January 21, 2022 to Wendy Sanford, Transportation Director at the City of Fairfax Department of Public Works: 10455 Armstrong Street, Room 200, Fairfax, Virginia 22030 or at wendy.sanford@fairfaxva.gov.

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