

Southampton Area Development

Forest Hill Avenue

The Southampton Citizens Association (SCA) has been busy monitoring proposed infill development in our neighborhood. In April, the SCA hosted over sixty neighbors for a conversation regarding a proposed self-storage unit on Forest Hill Ave. across from Huguenot High School. Acknowledging opposition, the developer withdrew the proposal. More recently, the property owner has initiated conversations with the SCA pertinent to other uses to include e.g. single family detached homes or townhouses. The SCA is closely monitoring the situation and will only support development if it is in agreement with neighborhood values.

Proposed development at south end of Cherokee Road

At the May SCA meeting, neighbors discussed the proposed thirteen townhouses to be built on Cherokee Road towards Forest Hill Ave. This project does require a Special Use Permit which allows input from neighbors towards the final project. Attendees were brought up to date on where the project stands and shared feedback with the board. The consensus of participants was that thirteen homes was too many and that more needed to be done to retain trees and a natural forested buffer in between the project and Cherokee Road. One neighbor pointed out that this project would sit at an entry point to the neighborhood and should be an enhancement.

To learn more regarding either site, visit www.scarichmond.com and attend the next SCA meeting on June 21st at 7:15 p.m.

Cherokee Road Safety

The SCA surveyed neighbors on and around Cherokee Rd between Huguenot Rd and Forest Hill Ave. to get their opinion of Cherokee Rd. The responses have been very favorable as it relates to addressing “safety” issues. To participate in the survey, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/59J8YTK> to take an anonymous poll or contact the SCA at neighbors@scarichmond.com to express your thoughts.

The Shops at Stratford Hills Update

Last summer, Will Allen from Harper Associates presented a plan for a Starbucks Drive Thru. This has been tabled, and the group will be pursuing modifications to the current Community Unit Plan to make physical changes within the shopping center to enhance its competitive position against other centers.

We may be hearing about the fate of Martin’s grocery store soon. Martin’s parent company recently announced that it expects to complete the sale of some of its stores mid-2016. Following the merger between the companies owning Martin’s and Food Lion, Martin’s has been working to sell 19 area stores where Food Lion and Martin’s stores overlap in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission.

A Big Thank You

Thank you to those neighbors who have renewed or joined in the last month. Those that have not, please join and support us. Membership is only \$20.00 and helps us to (among other things) publish and distribute the newsletter, SUPPORT AND PUBLICIZE community issues, safety on Cherokee Road and development around our neighborhood.

You can pay by mail (form on the back) or use PayPal, <http://www.scarichmond.com/join.html>. Thank you for your support.

Join the SCA Board

We currently need a Secretary and Membership Chair. Please contact a board member if you are interested or send a note to neighbors@scarichmond.com

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A New Look

The SCA's new communication goal this year is to put out the news in a letter format more frequently. Like the old newsletters, we are placing your membership status on the address label. Please contact us if this is not correct. We are working to update the data base as well. We appreciate your patience.

Advertisers, we are currently looking at ways to get your services back and in front of our readers.

Next Meeting

June 21, 7:15 p.m., Southampton Recreation Center, 3201 Chellowe Road

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