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An Important Message from City Councilmember Abubaker

Dear 4th District Friends,

As I shared in last week's message, we have several important meetings/events in the coming weeks. I've confirmed some additional details since last week - and added yet another meeting! Here's all the latest information:

NEW! Forest Hill Ave Sewer Work Updates from DPU

Date: Tuesday, August 19

Time: 6-7:30 p.m.

Location: Virtual (see meeting access instructions via this [flyer](#) and/or [press release](#))

Purpose: The utility work necessitated by the sewer collapse on Forest Hill Ave last year always required a second phase - which we are now at. DPU is hosting this meeting to share the work that will be completed, lane closures/traffic impacts, and efforts they are taking to minimize the disruption, particularly to our small businesses. I have reiterated the importance of frequent and clear communication from DPU - as well as prioritizing the well-being of our small businesses, and will work continuously to ensure DPU keeps this commitment.

Code Refresh/Zoning Code Update Dialogue with the Planning Department

Date: Wednesday, August 20

Time: 6-7:30 p.m.

Location: Zorch Pizza Parlor (7524 Forest Hill Ave) **CONFIRMED**

RSVP is appreciated but not necessary.

Note: Please consider carpooling or bus. Parking is limited, but there are two handicapped-accessible spots in front of the building. [Email Timmy](#) if you need assistance. The wonderful team at Fire Station 24 offered a few additional overflow parking spots in their lot two doors down from Zorch (7400 Forest Hill Ave).

Purpose: The Planning Department will provide images of the draft zoning distinctions for the 4th District and be prepared to answer questions/collect feedback. Pizza and light refreshments will be provided!

You can check out the proposed changes before this meeting [here](#).

4th District Dialogue: Cherokee Road Improvements & Traffic Safety on/around Chippenham with RPD and DPW

Date: Monday, August 25

Time: 5:30-7 p.m. (5:30-6:15 p.m. - Cherokee Rd; 6:15-7 p.m. - Chippenham)

Location: Southampton Elementary Cafeteria (2222 Cherokee Road)

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Purpose: During the first half of the meeting, DPW will share the latest updates on Cherokee Road improvements (including interim measures) and RPD will discuss traffic enforcement efforts in the area; both DPW and RPD will answer questions and take feedback. During the second half of the meeting, DPW and RPD will address concerns regarding speeding on/around Chippenham, including enforcement and any other mitigation measures. Given the overlapping constituencies, Chesterfield Supervisor Mark Miller and representatives from the Chesterfield County Police Department will also be in attendance and participating.

See flyer [here](#) - and please circulate to all who may be interested in attending!

BONUS (in September): "Back-to-School 4th District Meeting with Councilmember Abubaker and School Board Member Hedgepeth

Date: Wednesday, September 17

Time: 6-7:30 p.m.

Location: Huguenot High School Cafeteria

Purpose: SB Member Hedgepeth and I will engage in a facilitated dialogue on "all things schools." SB Member Hedgepeth will share any pertinent RPS updates and we will discuss how Council and the School Board/RPS can collaborate, align priorities, and ways we can improve the budget process for Fiscal Year 2027. This will be a similar format to my dialogues with Mayor Avula and Auditor Ali.

I'm looking forward to engaging with many of you at these meetings. Please don't hesitate to reach out to my office if there's anything we can assist with in the meantime!

With Fourth District Love,
Sarah

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