



The Civic League Ledger



October 2025

S. Plaza Trail Reopens !



Residents and drivers have long anticipated the completion of stormwater drainage and utility improvement projects that have closed S. Plaza Trail at Rosemont Road. The roadway reopened to through traffic last week.

Work on a dedicated right turn lane from S. Plaza Trail onto southbound Rosemont Road is expected to next start next fall. Information on that project will be shared once provided by the City.

Community Sign Dedicated Slated for October 18

The Princess Anne Plaza community sign dedication has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 18, at 10 AM. Both signs are fully built, but the dedication ceremony was postponed to allow for plant procurement and installation. The dedication will take place at the Country Club Circle and Hannibal Street sign location.



Princess Anne Plaza Civic League

General league meetings are the **SECOND Tuesday** of the month (except July and August) and begin at 7 p.m.

2025 Dates

- Oct. 14
- Nov. 11
- Dec. 9

Place

Bow Creek Recreation Ctr.
3427 Club House Road

Our PAPANCL email address:

PAPCivicLeague@gmail.com

PAPANCL website:

<https://princessanneplazacivicleague.govaddysites.com>

[PA Plaza Civic League Facebook](#)

Upcoming Dates of Interest

10/4 10 AM-3 PM Va. Beach Master Gardeners Fall Gardening Festival, HR AREC @ 1444 Diamond Springs Rd. Visit www.vbmg.org for more info.

10/16 6-8 PM VBCCO Academy Seminar

10/18 10 AM Princess Anne Plaza Community Sign dedication, Country Club Circle at Hannibal Street.

10/31 Halloween



Neighborhood Safety & Self Defense Presentation



In lieu of a regular town hall meeting, District 3 Councilman Michael Berlucchi hosted Sheriff Rocky Holcomb and the Va. Beach Sheriff's Office Emergency Response Team (ERT) for a combination senior safety and neighborhood safety and self defense workshop.

The presentation, led by Sgt. Davison, provided situational awareness and threat recognition tips critical to personal safety, including "PLAN." PLAN to survive an assault by Preparing, Looking for ways to get help, Analyze your surroundings and Never give up. Davison advised when calling 911, the *first* thing you should provide is your location, then a description of the attacker, if you need medical aid, and your description. By giving your location first, police and rescue will know where you are in the event you are unable to complete the call.

The real action started when several volunteers practiced hands-on safety techniques. From learning how to properly retreat from a threat to tips on breaking away from someone's grip on

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you, the volunteers were totally engaged and enjoyed the interaction. A full day training seminar on self defense is planned for the first of the year. The PAPCL will share the information once the seminar is announced. .



Sgt. Davison demonstrating self-defense tips

Early In-Person Voting



Election Day is Nov. 4, and in-person early voting has already started. You must provide one acceptable form of identification from the Va. Dept. of Elections voter identification list.

In-person early voting schedule
at nearby locations

Voter Registration & Elections, Bldg. 14, 2449 Princess Anne Road
M-F, Sept 19 – Oct. 31, 8 AM-5 PM
Sat, Oct. 25 & Nov. 1, 9 AM – 5 PM

Central Library, 4100 Va. Beach Blvd.
M-F, Oct. 27 – 31, 9 AM – 5 PM
Sat, Oct. 25 & Nov. 1, 9 AM – 5 PM

The following link provides sample ballots which are grouped by the Virginia House of Delegates districts, and with the associated precinct listed within.

<https://voter.virginiabeach.gov/elections/sample-ballot-guide/ballots-by-precinct>

VBCCO Academy

The VBCCO has announced the first class of the VBCCO Academy will be on Thursday, Oct. 16, from 6-8 pm, at the Bow Creek Rec Center.

This initiative is designed to empower residents with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to engage effectively with our city government. VBCCO Academy is hosted by Chris Taylor, former City Councilman for District 8.

Use the following link to register :
https://vbcco.org/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=312677&item_id=2724092
or, go to www.vbcco.org and scroll to the Academy posting for additional details. The deadline to register is October 14.

The first session will be an Introduction to Virginia Beach City Government. Learning objectives are identifying key components of the City's government structure and their roles. Registrants will receive a folder with related information. Future academy session dates will be announced as they are scheduled and registrants are not required to attend all sessions.

Academy sessions will include:

- Understanding City Government and leadership roles
- Civic Engagement & Advocacy – Practice writing public comments, delivering remarks, and using feedback tools like town halls and surveys
- Navigating City Resources – Learn how to use the City's website, submit FOIA requests, access zoning maps, budgets and public records
- Building Relationships
- Strategic Civic Leadership – Gain skills in advocacy, conflict resolution, crisis communication, and more.
- Advanced Topics –How to influence the City budget process, understand how state and federal legislation impacts Virginia Beach.

If you're ready to connect with fellow citizens who share a passion for shaping our City's future, be sure to register soon!



Flood Protection Town Hall Held

A second town hall, hosted by Councilman Berlucchi on Sept. 29, was standing room only as topics focused mainly on flood protection.

City Manager Patrick Duhaney and Public Works Director L.J. Hanson opened the session, sharing that 90 percent of the CoVB CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) is dedicated to flood protection. Director Hanson also described how stormwater operations work within our district, and what the CoVB did in relation to rain and tidal influences from Hurricane Erin in August and the rain bomb in mid-September.

Both Duhaney and Hanson urged residents to call 311 for service requests, such as plugged storm drains, and to visit the "The Ripple Effect" on the City's website for citywide in-depth information on flood protection projects.

Duhaney also noted funds related to the flood bond referendum are "lock boxed" for stormwater projects only. Additionally, the City will ask the State for funding and/or financing under coastal storm resiliency and preparedness programs.



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Tim Anderson



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Effective June 2025

Dues are only \$25 per year per family/household, with the new membership year beginning in September. Your dues support the civic league in the publication of the newsletter, social media, participation in community events, local church food pantries, and more.

Renewal & New Membership Form Enclose this form with your payment of \$25	
Last Name	First Name
Street Address in ZIP Code 23452	
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E-Mail Address For Newsletter Delivery. Please print clearly. Your information is for use only by the PAPCL.	
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Yes _____	No _____
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