



# UPDATE

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News to know for the area from Ox Road to Mason Neck, Fairfax County Parkway to the Occoquan River.

## In the months ahead . . .

- There is no SCF meeting in August.
- The September meeting will feature a presentation on the Unified Sanitation District proposal and an update from Fairfax Water
- The Special Election to replace Congressman Gerry Connolly will be Tuesday, Sept 9th
- The October Federation meeting will be IN PERSON at the Lorton Community Center

## Weapon Detectors now in all FCPS Middle & High Schools

FCPS launched a weapons detection pilot in April. That program is now being made permanent with devices at all FCPS Middle & High Schools in time for school to start. The OPENGATE advanced screening devices are supplied by CEIA USA costing \$18,000 each. To find out more, visit:

<https://www.fcps.edu/weapons-detection-pilot-frequently-asked-questions-faqs>



## County delays action on Unified Sanitation District

The Board of Supervisors have delayed action on implementing a five-year process to regulate trash collection and services across the County. The plan, which would put the County government in control of all local trash pickup, will be debated in October, with a presentation at our September Federation meeting. To find out more, visit:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/recycling-trash/unified-sanitation-districts>



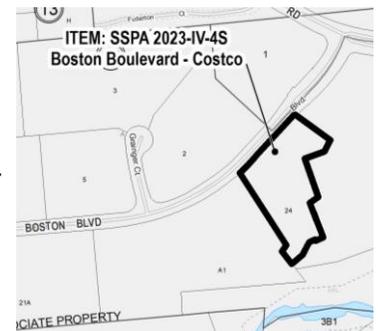
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## Changes are afoot for Newington's Boston Boulevard

**Costco** – Costco is moving forward with a plan to add a gas station next to its Newington location. A public meeting will be held Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. To find out more, visit: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/plan-amendments/boston-blvd-costco>

**Tesla** – The Washington Business Journal reported that Tesla will be converting a building on Boston Blvd into a service station. Initial plans have been filed with the County by the development owner, FinMarc.

**SAIC** – The tech innovation company is converting part of an office building, formerly rented by the Bureau of Land Management, into a data center.



## FCCA seeks “Resident Curator” for Colchester home

The Park Authority is offering free rent to a “Resident Curator” who will then renovate the historic Fairfax Arms property. A curator can be a private citizen, non-profit entity, or for-profit entity, as long as it takes responsibility for the care and rehabilitation of the building that dates back to the mid-18<sup>th</sup> century. Plans are moving forward to include the Barrett House on Lorton Road to the program as well. To find out more, visit:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/resident-curator-program>

Join us for the next SCF meeting: September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm on Zoom