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Fire Station 12 receives 'green' endorsement

Henrico County's Fire Station 12 has received LEED Gold certification from the U.S. Green Building Council in recognition of extensive energy-saving measures incorporated into its renovation and expansion.

The fire station is Henrico's second general government facility to receive LEED certification and the first to be recognized at the Gold level — the second highest possible — under a policy backed by the Board of Supervisors in January 2010.



The fire station reopened in July 2011 following a \$1.86 million renovation and expansion. The project satisfied LEED standards by reusing an existing building; recycling more than 30 tons of wood, brick, metal and other materials; and incorporating other energy-saving features. Those include low flow toilets and sinks, high-efficiency washing machines and a hybrid heating and air-conditioning system that minimizes energy use. The fire station also has high-efficiency windows and skylights that provide ample natural light and a white roof that reflects heat to reduce cooling costs.

LEED, which stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, establishes a benchmark for the design, construction and operation of "green" buildings. It balances some increased costs for design and construction against greater long-term savings from more efficient use of water and energy and other benefits, such as improved air quality.

Fire Station 12, at 3808 West End Drive, first opened in 1974. Its renovation and expansion increased the building's size from 6,700 to 10,550 square feet and provided an extended two-bay drive-through garage that accommodates a ladder truck, engine,

ambulance and vehicle for the emergency medical services battalion chief. The fire station also has a shop and storage room and is equipped with an emergency generator capable of powering the station for three days without refueling.

The fire station is the second Henrico general government building to qualify for LEED certification. In May, the Glen Allen Branch Library was recognized at the Silver level. Henrico is pursuing LEED certification for other buildings, including the renovated Gayton Branch Library on Gayton Road and the Eastern Henrico Recreation Center on North Laburnum Avenue.

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CONTACT: Virgil R. Hazelett, P.E., Henrico County Manager

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Henrico names Casey as deputy county manager for administration

Henrico County Manager Virgil R. Hazelett, P.E. announces the appointment of Joseph P. Casey as deputy county manager for administration, effective Jan. 28.

Casey, who has been a deputy county administrator in Hanover County, will succeed John A. Vithoulkas. Vithoulkas will become county manager Jan. 17, following the retirement of Virgil R. Hazelett, P.E.



As deputy county manager for administration, Casey will oversee the departments of Finance, General Services and Information Technology, as well as the Public Library and legislative liaison. Those functions account for a total of 548 employees and budgets of more than \$56 million in fiscal year 2012-13.

Casey started work in Hanover in 1990 and served as director of Finance and Management Services until 2004, when he was promoted to deputy county administrator. As deputy county administrator, he supervised the Assessor's Office; the departments of Finance and Management Services, General Services, Information Technology and Internal Audit; and Public Information.

Casey holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Richmond and a master's in public administration from Virginia Commonwealth University. He is scheduled to receive a doctorate in public policy from Virginia Commonwealth University in May.

Casey is a certified public accountant. His professional and community affiliations include the International City/County Management Association, Virginia Local Government Management Association, Government Finance Officers Association, Virginia Government Finance Officers' Association, Housing Opportunities Made Equal and Virginia Equal Housing Foundation.

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Henrico County asks for voluntary water conservation

The Henrico County Department of Public Utilities (DPU) is asking its customers to voluntarily limit water use in light of the ongoing drought.

Customers are requested to minimize lawn and landscape irrigation, vehicle washing and other nonessential uses. In a report Tuesday, Dec. 11, the Virginia Department of Environment Quality (DEQ) warned of a significant drought in the area including Henrico.

Precipitation has totaled less than 55 percent of the normal amount since Oct. 1, according to DEQ. As a result, the water level in the James River has fallen.

DPU will issue announcements in the future as drought conditions change. DPU has about 93,000 customers in Henrico, plus sells water to Hanover and Goochland counties.

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CONTACT: Hallie Boisseau, Executive Coordinator, Keep Henrico Beautiful Committee

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Henrico to accept Christmas trees for recycling Dec. 26 to Jan. 9

The Keep Henrico Beautiful Committee and Henrico County Department of Public Utilities will accept Christmas trees for recycling into mulch from Dec. 26 through Jan 9

The free service, which preserves landfill space and the environment, is available to Henrico residents only. Trees will be accepted at the following locations:

Henrico Government Center, 4301 E. Parham Road, in the lower parking lot;

Eastern Government Center, 3820 Nine Mile Road, in the front parking lot;

Springfield Road Public Use Area, 10600 Ford's Country Lane, near Nuckols Road and Interstate 295; and

Charles City Road Public Use Area, 2075 Charles City Road.

Trees can be brought anytime to the Henrico Government Center and Eastern Government Center and from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days per week to the Springfield Road and Charles City Road public use areas. Trees must be free of tinsel, lights, ornaments, tree stands and water bowls.

Mulch is available to Henrico residents at the public use areas. For information on the tree recycling program, call (804) 501-4502.

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CONTACT: Barry R. Lawrence, Clerk, Henrico County Board of Supervisors

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Henrico Board of Supervisors adjourns until Jan. 8

The Henrico County Board of Supervisors will meet again Tuesday, Jan. 8, following its scheduled break in late December.

The board typically meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Government Center Board Room, at 4301 E. Parham Road.

In keeping with its traditions, the board's schedule for 2012 has excluded a meeting on the fourth Tuesday in December. For information, call (804) 501-4318 or go to www.co.henrico.va.us/supervisors.

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