

## Mill Street public parking efforts hit speedbump

he agreement between the Town of Vienna and Mill Street Development One, LLC to provide public parking spaces as part of a mixed industrial-commercial project at 223-241 Mill Street NE has been dissolved. In June, Town Council approved purchase of a second-floor condominium to provide 121 public parking spaces for \$4.6 million.

Recently, during the project study period, Mill Street Development One notified the Town that its original proposal was not economically feasible and proposed changes to the project, including removing the retail component, reducing the number of public parking spaces, and changing the building's architectural features.

"We're disappointed that this privatepublic agreement to provide public parking spaces in Vienna's central business district has not panned out," says Town Manager Mercury Payton. "The Town remains committed to providing additional public parking in our commercial core in order to make the area a more convenient and accessible destination."

Town officials are continuing to explore additional parking partnership opportunities near Church Street and Maple Avenue.



## 'Tis the season to prepare the budget

own Council and staff members will be working to shape the Town's fiscal year 2020 budget over the next couple of months. Work sessions are scheduled in March with public hearings in April and adoption anticipated in May. All meetings below are open to the public. Public comment is accepted only at public hearings, not during work sessions.

Budget Work Sessions March 16 • 9 am-5 pm March 18 • 7:30 pm April 22 • 7:30 pm **Public Hearing – proposed budget, water and sewer rates** April 8 • 8 pm Public Hearing – proposed tax rate April 29 • 8 pm Adoption of budget, tax rate, water and sewer rates May 13 • 8 pm



## Freeman Store Exhibit Opening Reception

2 - 4 pm • Sunday, March 10

Enjoy music and refreshments

## **Clean Sweep!**

Street sweeping service scheduled to begin third week of March

The Town asks that residents refrain from parking on streets during an area's first scheduled sweeping.

Check viennava.gov/sweeping to see approximately when your area will be cleaned. "No Parking" signs will be placed in areas about a week prior to scheduled sweeping.