

Board of Supervisors

Mission To serve as Fairfax County's governing body under the Urban County Executive form of government, to make policy for the administration of the County government within the framework of the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and to document those actions accordingly.

Focus The ten-member Board of Supervisors makes policy for the administration of the County government within the framework of the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the Urban County Executive form of government. Nine members of the Board of Supervisors are elected from County Supervisory districts, while the Chairman is elected at-large.

The Board of Supervisors establishes County government policies, passes resolutions and ordinances (within the limits of its authority established by the Virginia General Assembly), approves the budget, sets local tax rates, approves land use plans and makes appointments to various positions.

Beginning in FY 2020, the responsibilities of the Office of the Clerk of the Board were consolidated with the Planning Commission, and staff from the Office of the County Executive, in Agency 03, Department of Clerk Services.

Pandemic Response and Impact

The COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impacts on the way public bodies can conduct business. Multiple departments, including the Department of Clerk Services, the Office of the County Attorney, the Department of Information Technology, and the Department of Cable and Consumer Services have worked closely to establish methods for electronic public meetings that are both functional and meet the rapidly changing regulatory environment. The Board of Supervisors quickly pivoted to this new way of meeting that ensures the safety of all involved while allowing for transparent and participatory government to continue. Public access to meetings and the ability to provide testimony from the safety of one's own home have been established through multiple means and have been well-utilized by the public. Over 100 individuals provided testimony during the budget public hearings before the Board of Supervisors, by either telephone or YouTube video.

In addition to changing the process for meeting and public participation, the Board of Supervisors has established various initiatives to help small businesses and nonprofit organizations remain in business through the COVID-19 emergency, including the establishment of the Relief Initiative to Support Employers program (Fairfax RISE). The primary purpose of the Fairfax RISE grant program is to provide immediate relief to small business and non-profits impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and address gaps that may exist among complementary programs. The grant program was established with a minimum allocation of 30 percent of total funding to awards for women-owned, minority-owned, and/or veteran-owned businesses. It is funded through an allocation of the Coronavirus Relief Funds provided through the federal CARES Act.

Budget and Staff Resources

Category	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Adopted	FY 2020 Revised	FY 2021 Advertised	FY 2021 Adopted
FUNDING					
Expenditures:					
Personnel Services	\$4,779,029	\$5,284,044	\$5,284,044	\$6,535,093	\$5,284,044
Operating Expenses	541,859	233,050	233,050	233,050	233,050
Total Expenditures	\$5,320,888	\$5,517,094	\$5,517,094	\$6,768,143	\$5,517,094
AUTHORIZED POSITIONS/FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
Regular	7 / 7	0 / 0	0 / 0	0 / 0	0 / 0
Exempt	70 / 70	70 / 70	70 / 70	70 / 70	70 / 70

Summary by District

Category	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Adopted	FY 2020 Revised	FY 2021 Advertised	FY 2021 Adopted
Expenditures					
Chairman's Office	\$521,504	\$604,606	\$604,606	\$775,781	\$604,606
Braddock District	483,574	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Hunter Mill District	449,335	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Dranesville District	493,069	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Lee District	439,975	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Mason District	492,793	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Mt. Vernon District	526,196	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Providence District	356,349	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Springfield District	517,271	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Sully District	439,707	545,832	545,832	665,818	545,832
Total Expenditures	\$4,719,773	\$5,517,094	\$5,517,094	\$6,768,143	\$5,517,094

FY 2021 Funding Adjustments

The following funding adjustments from the FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan are necessary to support the FY 2021 program. Included are all adjustments recommended by the County Executive that were approved by the Board of Supervisors, as well as any additional Board of Supervisors' actions, as approved in the adoption of the Budget on May 12, 2020.

FY 2021 funding remains at the same level as the FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan.

Changes to FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan

The following funding adjustments reflect all approved changes in the FY 2020 Revised Budget Plan since passage of the FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan. Included are all adjustments made as part of the FY 2019 Carryover Review, FY 2020 Third Quarter Review, and all other approved changes through April 30, 2020.

There have been no adjustments to this agency since approval of the FY 2020 Adopted Budget Plan.