



CITY OF TAKOMA PARK

City Manager Comments

Report for City Council Meeting of November 18, 2019

Information to Share

Cross-jurisdictional Community Meeting – Eastern Avenue Infrastructure Work

A cross-jurisdictional community meeting regarding the infrastructure work on Eastern Avenue has been scheduled for Monday, November 25. The meeting will take place from 6:00-7:30pm in the Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium. In attendance will be Mayor Stewart, Councilmembers Kostiuik and Kovar, DC Councilmember Brandon Todd, and representatives from the District Department of Transportation and the utility companies.

Library Programs of Note

Two recent Library programs are of special note, each drawing more than 100 people into the Library's children's room: On Friday November 8, Mayor Kate Stewart joined author Andrea Beaty for the introduction of her new picture book, *Sofia Valdez, Future Prez*. Their discussion included ways that young people have effected change in Takoma Park, and how they can become active in the future. Advocates for "Small things Matter" also participated.

On November 12, award-winning author and Takoma Park resident Minh Le presented his latest book, *The Perfect Seat*. On the eve of his family's departure for California, Le reminisced about his memories of Takoma Park, the Library, and the many friendships his family made here. He promised he will return in May for the publication of his first graphic novel based on *The Green Lantern*.

I am always amazed at the guests who come to our Library, and the great job staff does facilitating the programs. A hundred people is a lot for our little children's room!



Hiring Update

We are currently advertising and/or interviewing for a number of positions including Garden Maintenance Technician, Building Maintenance Specialist, Budget and Accounting Manager, HR Coordinator, Photo Enforcement Specialist, Landlord – Tenant Mediator, Mechanic, Recreation Program Leader, Police Officer (entry-level and lateral), Crossing Guard - Substitute, and Youth Success Program Leader (Contract position).

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