



NEWSLETTER

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## General Meeting

Tuesday, May 15th, 7:30pm

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Please join us tomorrow, Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm for our next MVBA General Meeting held at The Belvedere at [1 East Chase Street](#).

This month, we will have several local and state representatives attend this meeting, to update us on their projects and discuss the upcoming election. We will also discuss the proposed bike lanes on Centre and Madison Streets. See details below about a Baltimore City DOT Bike Meeting that is scheduled for this evening.

As always, our general meetings are free and open to the public, members and non-members alike. Please join us to discuss important issues and events related to our Mount Vernon community.

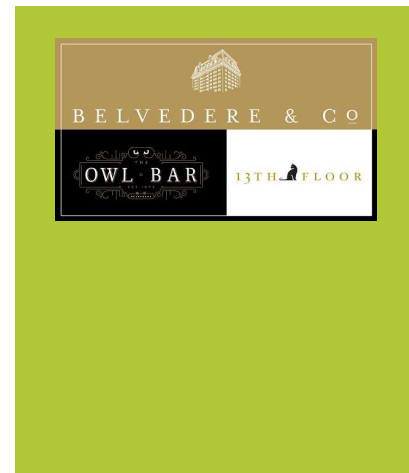
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MVBA Meeting space  
generously provided  
by Belvedere & Co.

If you have tried to access the MVBA.org website, you may have noticed that it has not loaded correctly. We are currently changing our hosting provider from Start Logic to Go Daddy.

While we are transferring the site over, you can visit [mountvernonbelvedere.org](http://mountvernonbelvedere.org) (our temporary URL) to stay up to date and to renew your membership.


Thank you for your patience!



 **BALTIMORE CITY DOT**  
Downtown Bicycle Network Meetings 

CATHERINE E. PUGH  
MAYOR DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
BALTIMORE CITY

The Baltimore City Department of Transportation will host two meetings to discuss the Centre Street and Madison Street portions of the Downtown Bicycle Network.  
**Please share this flyer with your neighbors and constituencies.**

<b>Monday May 14, 2018</b> 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM Baltimore School for the Arts 712 Cathedral St—Recital Hall Baltimore, MD 21201		<b>Tuesday May 15, 2018</b> 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Paul Laurence Dunbar High School 1400 Orleans St. Baltimore, MD 21231
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The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please contact Ms. Marva Williams, Bike Liaison or Ms. Nikia Mack, Liaison Coordinator at 443-984-4095 if you have special needs. **Weather Alert:** In the event Baltimore City Schools are closed system-wide, all meetings (a.m. & p.m.) of the Baltimore City Department of Transportation will be canceled for that day. If the school system closes during the day, any meetings scheduled for the remainder of the day or evening are canceled.

## Baltimore City DOT Bike Meeting

### Monday, May 14th, 6:30pm



This evening, Baltimore City DOT is hosting a Downtown Bicycle Network Meeting at the Baltimore School for the Arts, 712 Cathedral Street — Recital Hall, at 6:30-8pm.

This meeting was announced via Facebook by Councilman Costello as well as in snail mail as a postcard by DOT, to Mount Vernon Residents.

We will give a recap of this meeting at tomorrow's MVBA  
General Meeting.

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## New MVBA Business Members

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Each month, we will be recognizing businesses that join  
MVBA membership. So, join MVBA by clicking [HERE](#).

If you have any questions on membership, please reach out to  
our Membership Committee Chair, Julie Canard at  
[membership@mvba.org](mailto:membership@mvba.org).

Encourage your neighbors and other businesses in Mount  
Vernon to become members of MVBA. It is only \$20 for  
Individuals and \$50 for Businesses, per year, to become a  
member.

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## Open Discussion to Reduce Number of MVBA General Meetings

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Over the last several months, the MVBA board has discussed  
the possibility of reducing the number of monthly meetings to  
a bi-monthly rotation (i.e. every other month).

As per the MVBA by-laws, we are bringing this idea to the  
General Membership for discussion. We want to hear your  
thoughts about this possible change.

Once we have had time to collectively think about this proposal, we will hold a formal vote at the July General Meeting, held on July 17th.

Currently, we meet the third Tuesday of every month, except for August and December. This proposal would reduce our meeting count from 10 a year to six. We believe that this would allow us to focus and structure the General Meetings to cover issues and topics in a more comprehensive forum, to be mindful of everyone's valuable time.

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## Upcoming Primary Election Information

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The Primary Election for Governor, State's Attorney, State Delegates & Senators for Districts 40 & 45, as well as several other offices is quickly approaching. Below are several important dates to mark on your calendars.

### **Early Voting Dates:**

June 14 – June 21 | 10am - 8pm

### **Primary Election Day:**

June 26 | 7am - 8pm

More information can be found at [boe.baltimorecity.gov](http://boe.baltimorecity.gov)

MVBA is currently planning a **Meet & Greet** with the candidates for several of these offices. As soon as we have confirmation of date, time, and location, we will send out a notice.



## Next Business Round Table: Summer Quarterly Meeting

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Wednesday | July 11th | 9-11am

12 W. Madison Street

(corner of Madison & Morton Streets)

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MVBA continues to welcome all local Business Owners to our next quarterly Business Round Table on Wednesday, July 11th from 9-11am located at 12 W. Madison Street (corner of Madison & Morton Streets).

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## Want a Dog Waste Station near you???



MVBA is working with Midtown Baltimore to design and install several new pet waste stations around the neighborhood.

**We would love to hear from you, about where you think a station would be best suited.** Email us at [info@mvba.org](mailto:info@mvba.org) with your suggestions.

If you are interested in donating to help us fund this goal, please do. You can [Click Here to Donate!](#)

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## Coming Up in June

- General Meeting on June 19th  
at The Belvedere, 1 East Chase Street, at 7:30pm

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