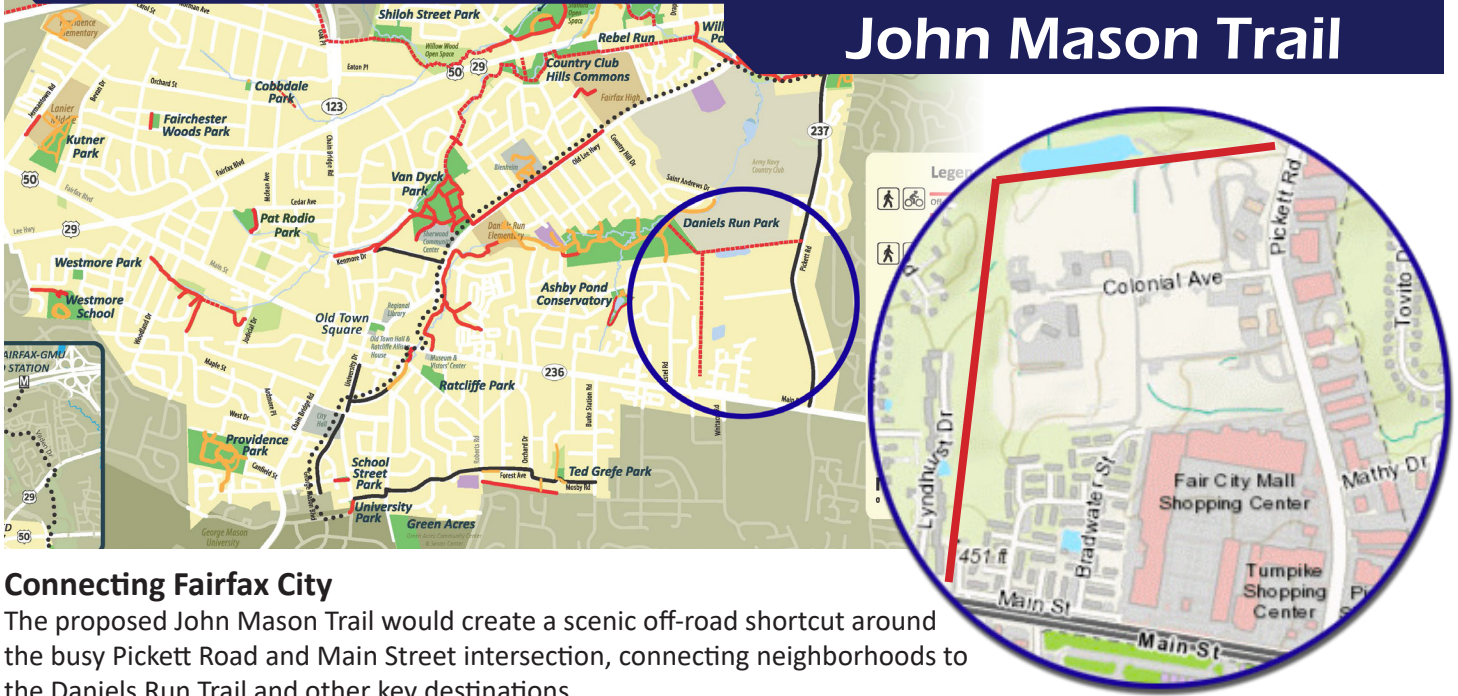


# Two-Year Transportation Program

## John Mason Trail



### Connecting Fairfax City

The proposed John Mason Trail would create a scenic off-road shortcut around the busy Pickett Road and Main Street intersection, connecting neighborhoods to the Daniels Run Trail and other key destinations.

### Proposed Route

The approximately one-mile trail would begin on Pickett Road north of Colonial Avenue, run west and then south around the tank farm, terminating at Main Street east of Lyndhurst Drive. This trail would mainly be constructed on city-owned property; however, easements from the Comstock Homeowner's Association and Fairfax Water Authority will be needed.

### A Growing Trail Network

The John Mason Trail, formerly known as the Comstock Trail, is one of the off-street paths recommended in the recently adopted Bike Fairfax City plan, which established a recommended network of low-stress bikeways including neighborways, off-street paths, and spot and long-term improvements, such as separated bike lanes. This trail was also a top priority in the 2014 Parks and Recreation Strategic Master Plan.

### Funding

The John Mason Trail was included in the City's Two-Year Transportation Program, adopted by City Council on June 22, 2021. Thus far the City has developed high level concept plans and a cost estimate for the purpose of preparing a funding application. The City plans to submit a funding application to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority. If the NVTa includes this project in their program, the funding would become available in FY2027. At that time, the City would further evaluate the trail alignment and coordinate project features with key stakeholders including utility owners, tank farm operators, and adjacent property owners. Project construction would occur in FY2029/30.

### Next Steps

City Council will discuss the project application Sept. 14 and will be asked to endorse it at their Sept. 28 meeting.

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