



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor Greenlaw and Members of City Council  
**FROM:** Beverly R. Cameron, City Manager  
**DATE:** March 18, 2015  
**SUBJECT:** City Manager's Update

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Highlights of major activities and other notable developments:

***Changes Coming to City's Fredericksburg Alert System*** - The City is transiting to a new alerting system through Everbridge Mass Notification. New and returning subscribers are encouraged to sign up before **April 1** in order to continue receiving important alerts regarding weather, traffic, city closings, Parks and Recreation and schools. Subscribers opt-in to receive notifications via phone calls, text messaging and email. A new important component of this system is the reverse 911 module that can be activated as needed and can send notifications to a specific geographic area within the city. Please [sign up](#) today.

***Sony Meets with Police about Body Cameras*** - On March 9, key members of the Police Department who were instrumental in the implementation of the city agency's body-worn camera system met with engineers and other staff from Sony Corporation to share their insights and operational template for the program. The representatives from Sony, who were visiting from Japan, spent two hours collecting the input and data gathered by the police since officers and detectives began wearing the cameras in May 2014. The camera system used by the city was recently featured in an article [on the front page of the Free Lance-Star](#).



***City Attorney Receives Honor*** - The Virginia Law Foundation has inducted Fredericksburg City Attorney Kathleen Dooley into the Fellows Class of 2015. To be eligible to become a Virginia Law Foundation Fellow, an attorney must be a person of integrity and character, must be distinguished in the practice of law and outstanding in the community, and must have maintained and upheld the highest standards of the profession. In sum, the Fellows represent the very best of the legal profession. The purpose of the Fellows program is to recognize and encourage excellence in the practice of law and public service and to support the programs and objectives of the Foundation. Ms. Dooley's inclusion in the Fellows Class was the subject of a [recent article in the Free Lance-Star](#).