



J4C

James City County Citizens' Coalition

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Working together to protect and preserve our historical, cultural and environmental resources and quality of life.

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The James City County Citizens' Coalition (J4C) is a an umbrella community liaison and action group formed in 2006 to support and coordinate the activities of existing groups working to protect and preserve our historic, cultural and environmental resources and quality of life.



J4C Membership

- **Three classes of membership in J4C**
 - Member groups
 - Homeowner Association (HOA) representatives
 - Individuals
- **Initial member groups**
 - Alliance for Responsible Land Use (ARLU)
 - Friends of Forge Road and Toano (FORT)
 - Friends of Powhatan Creek Watershed (FOPCW)
 - Historic Route Five Association (HR5A)
 - Stonehouse District Association.
- **HOAs are represented among others by**
 - Lakewood
 - Graylin Woods
 - Stonehouse



J4C Membership (cont)

- **Individuals interested in the mission of the group are welcome to participate in a specific area or areas of interest as they wish.**
- **Membership is on a come and go basis, as issues arise and a particular group, HOA or individual brings it to the J4C.**
- **There is no membership fee, but donations are accepted to support activities, such as the forums**



Executive Committee

- **Kensett Teller, Chair,**
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J4C Vision

The J4C is a recognized, effective communicator, educator and liaison for the citizens of the County, dedicated to protecting and preserving the history, culture, and environment that contribute to the health of our community for all residents. The J4C efforts on growth, traffic, water resources, schools and infrastructure work toward ensuring their adequacy for future generations.



J4C Mission

To coordinate member groups' activities and interests in protecting the County's historic and natural resources and promoting an enhanced quality life for its residents. To encourage citizens to live in harmony with nature to ensure a satisfying future for all.



J4C Activities

- **Receive, define and address issues of common concern**
 - e.g. traffic, growth, safety & health, infrastructure, schools, emergency services, water
- **Develop and present positions on issues to the County Boards and Commissions**
- **Provide input to and participate in the Comprehensive Plan development, and other County studies, policies and procedures**
- **Conduct Community Education Forums to bring current issues before JCC residents**
- **Promote understanding and planning for the effects of cumulative impact on the community as a result of residential and commercial growth.**



J4C Accomplishments

1. Community education forums on:

- **Ground Water**
- **Stream Monitoring And Restoration**
- **Transportation**
- **Water Conservation (for which we received a grant from the Junior Women Club through the Friends of Powhatan Creek)**
- **Assisted County in on-site erosion and control measures**

2. Initiated study on cumulative impact of development

3. Establish working relationship with developers and County government.

4. New town – requested and received consideration in proffers for stream monitoring and restoration.

5. Increased membership and reorganized to more effectively carry out our mission and meet goals.



J4C Accomplishments (cont)

- 6. Drew attention to flooding problems in developments built in floodplains.**
- 7. Supported County's stormwater utility, budget.**
- 8. Communicated areas of concern to and from citizens, often in published essays in the Virginia Gazette and Daily Press.**
- 9. Support for or opposition to developments impacting quality of life.**
- 10. Worked with new GS Stonehouse developer in use of the environmental pre-assessment; encouraged the use of reclaimed water.**
- 11. Participated in reviews of Chesapeake Bay Ordinance and other County policy efforts.**
- 12. And last, but not least, developed an environmental pre-assessment to be used by developers in gathering environmental data early in the development process.**



Major Objectives for the 2007-08 Operating Year

- **No rezonings or special use permit requests should be considered until the cumulative impact of such development projects has been established.**
- **Promote a review process for rezonings and master plan approvals and develop more effective means for communicating to the public; establish objective criteria for developers when modifying approved plans.**
- **Projects previously approved but not yet started should be encouraged to incorporate and comply with new or revised ordinances.**



Major Project Areas

2007

- **Water conservation**
- **Traffic**
- **Cumulative impact**
- **Environmental pre-assessment**

2008

- **Cost of growth**
- **Comprehensive plan**
- **Non-residential rural lands**
- **Public awareness, understanding governmental processes**



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Thank you for coming tonight!