Town Flag Presentation to Council

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Picture it! - 1984

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Spring Cleanup This Month

Residents are reminded that the Town's Spring Cleanup will begin on Monday, April 16, in southwest Vienna. Cleanup crews will then proceed through the northwest, northeast and southeast sections of town.

The duration of the cleanup will depend on the volume of debris. To ensure pickup, all residents are asked to have their discards at the curbside on April 16. Residents may call the Public Works Department, 938-8000 ext. 241, to check on the progress of the cleanup.

Brush, building materials, furniture, appliances and other cleanup items should be placed at the curbside, away from regular trash, fire hydrants, water meters, gas valves and fences. Brush and branches should be separated from other discards.

Furniture, appliances, carpets and other household items in good condition may be donated to CHO (Committee to Help Others). Call Earl Sawyer, 573-6198, or Walker Smith, 560-1980, for immediate pickup of donations. CHO is an all-volunteer, non-profit charitable organization helping needy families in the Vienna area.

TOWN ELECTION MAY 1.
Voter information inside.

Last-Minute License Sales

The Finance Department will stay open until 7 p.m. April 9, 11 and 13 for sales of Town vehicle licenses. 1984 licenses must be displayed by midnight April 15.

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Town Festival on Church Street Sunday, May 27. Details in next Newsletter.

Vienna's new police K-9 "Champ" is surrounded by his handler, Officer Stephen Keeney, Town Manager Brack Bentley, Mayor Charles Robinson, and former owners Brian and Carole Graham. Brian holds a plaque from the Vienna Police Department presented in appreciation for the Graham's donation of their pet.

The three-year old German shepherd finished second in his class in rigorous training at the District of Columbia police K-9 training center last December. A friendly and intelligent dog by nature, Champ is now trained to search buildings, track people and objects, and be aggressive on command to apprehend suspects.

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Winning Flag Design

What makes good flag design?*
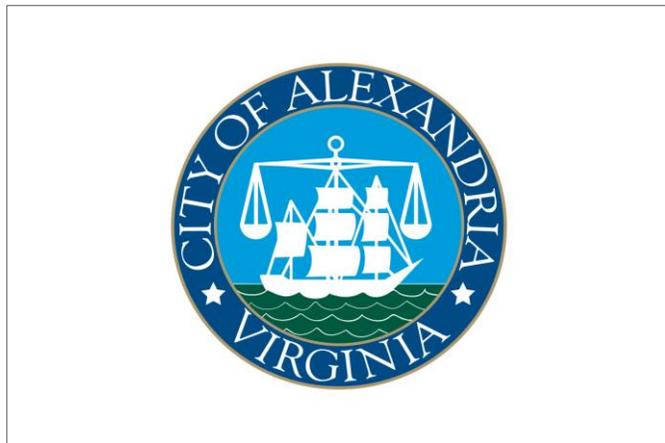
Vexillology: The study of flags
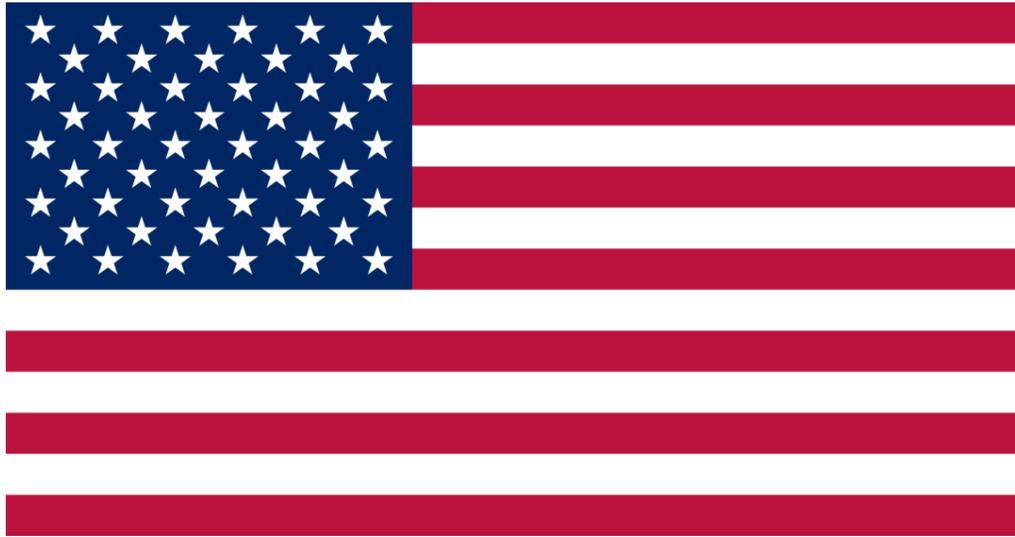
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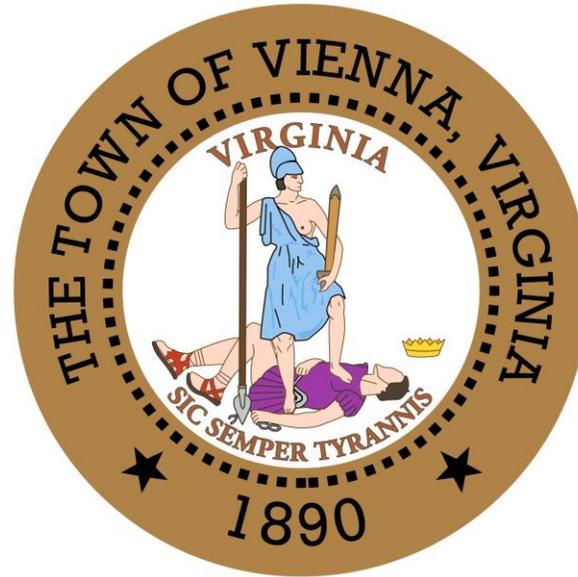*North American Vexillological Association

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Neighboring Jurisdiction Flags

Vexillologists call flags like these SOBs

Town Seal Closely mirrors the State Seal

Neighboring Jurisdiction Flags

Examples of Good Flag Design-Chicago

- Stars represent major events in Chicago's history
- Three white backgrounds - North, West and South sides of the city
- Top Blue Bar – Lake Michigan and the Chicago River North Branch
- Bottom Blue Bar – Chicago River South Branch and the "Great Canal"

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Examples of Good Flag Design-Washington, DC

- Inspired by the Washington family coat of arms
- Reflects the historical significance of George Washington.
- White field - purity and innocence
- Red stripes - valor and bravery
- Three stars - the three branches of government
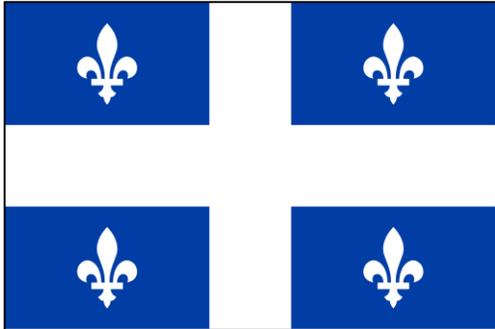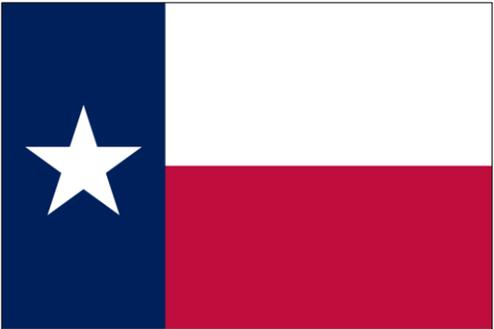
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Examples of Good Flag Design- Maryland

- Inspired by the 17th century heraldic banner of arms of Cecil Calvert, the 2nd Baron Baltimore (1605-1675).
- Consists of the arms of his father, George, 1st Baron of Baltimore (1579-1623), quartered with those of his grandmother, heiress of the Crossland family.
- Officially adopted by the Maryland General Assembly in 1904.

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Examples of Good Flag Design

Other Town Logo/Seal images

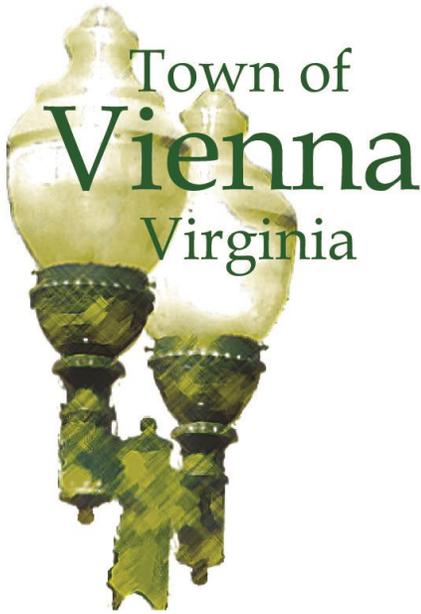# Logo from Vienna's 100th Anniversary
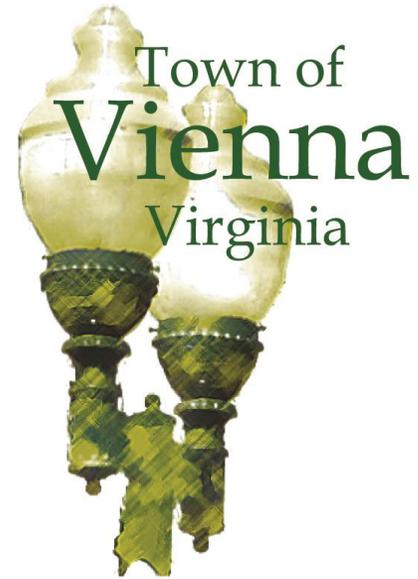
Current two-color logo

Current one-color logo

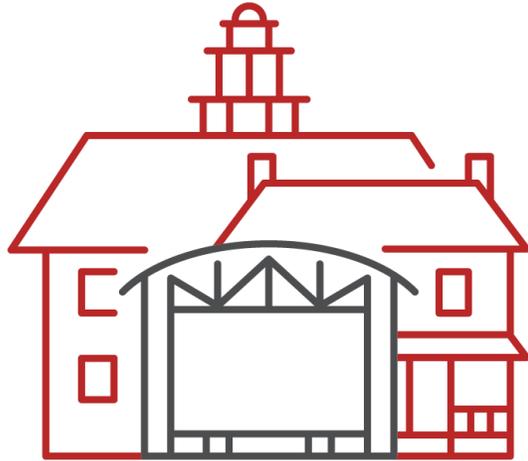# Prior Logo

Town of Vienna Images

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Next Steps?