



## BUSINESS BEAT

Economic Development News



October 5, 2017

### Featured Business: **CALICO JACK'S**



The City is excited to announce the expansion and relocation of Calico Jack's in Historic Downtown Manassas. This popular boutique, which specializes in handcrafted natural products for your body and home, will make its new home in the iconic Old Post Office building on the corner of Center and Battle streets.

What first began as a small at-home business selling products at the Manassas Farmer's Market in 2012, has quickly evolved into a thriving business in the heart of Downtown. The Calico Jack's brand is carried at eight local Whole Food's Markets, all Merrifield

### In the News:

[Governor McAuliffe names 3 Manassas companies to participate in VA Economic Gardening Pilot](#)

[Business community celebrates Hispanic leaders at Hylton Center](#)

[Manassas Regional Airport may add flights](#)

['Donut Island' will offer klobasnek: "It's kind of like pigs in a blanket"](#)



### Calendar of Events

10/6 Community  
Conversations

Garden Center locations and numerous retail shops throughout Northern Virginia, the U.S. and across the globe via internet sales. Calico Jack's is a product of not only their superior quality and unique style but the charm of Historic Manassas.

The boutique's owner, Kristi Murphy, says "the move will not only allow us to expand our product line, but also offer more handcrafted items from local artisans". Calico Jack's is expected to reopen in their new space October 18, 2017.

Please follow their progress on Facebook or check the website for additional information:  
[www.calicojacksnaturals.com](http://www.calicojacksnaturals.com).

## **Featured Partner** **COMMUNITY** **CONVERSATIONS**

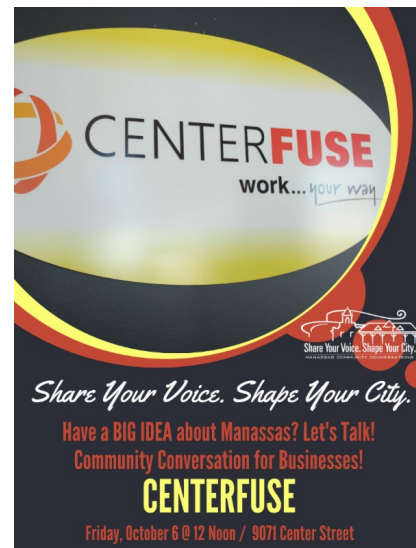


The City recently launched "Community Conversations," an initiative aimed at opening the lines of communication between the community and City officials. Community Conversations is a departure from the more traditional government meetings and has been met with great success so far. Staff are venturing out of their offices to meet people where they are...churches, the farmer's market, even a brewery..to better understand the community's priorities, ideas and vision for the City.

10/7 Fall Jubilee

10/11 Million Cups, 9a  
CenterFuse

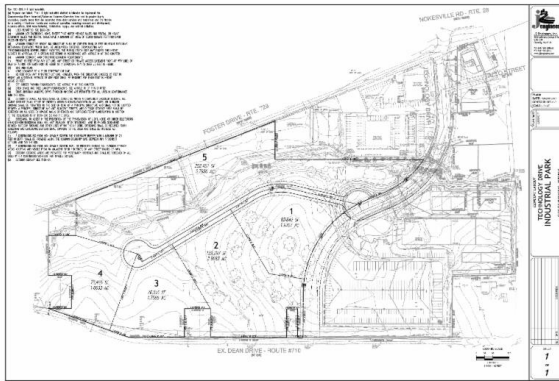
10/17 PWC Future of  
the Region Forum, 8a  
Old Hickory Golf Club



Have you ever had a great idea to improve life in the City, or had a concern about a problem for your business or neighborhood? Have you ever wondered how to express your opinion? The City's Community Conversations public engagement initiative offers the opportunity to make your voice heard! There are a few more opportunities to participate during the month of October, including tomorrow 10/6 at noon at CenterFuse in Historic Downtown. This session is specifically geared toward the business community, and you are encouraged to stop by!

Visit [www.LetsTalkManassas.org](http://www.LetsTalkManassas.org) for more information or to join the conversation online!

## **Featured Property** **TECHNOLOGY DRIVE:** **INDUSTRIAL PARK**



PRIME availability in the City's remaining undeveloped light-industrial park.

- 5 stand-alone parcels available
- Build-to-suit opportunities
- perfect for light manufacturers, flex warehouse, R&D

Located on Technology Drive,  
adjacent to the Wellington Overpass

on Rte. 28, this property offers an unique opportunity to build an industrial facility within the City limits.

These sites are properly zoned and located in a more traditional industrial park environment. The recent installation of an access road and public utilities have made these properties available for immediate sale, but they won't last long.

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