



City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

To: City of College Park Council Members

From: Scott Somers, City Manager

Date: January 5, 2016

Subject: CITY OF COLLEGE PARK WEEKLY BULLETIN

Attachments: Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute, WSSC Alert for North College Park, Committee for a Better Environment Movie, Community Legacy Program funding for Calvert Road School, and Certificate from One Warm Coat.

We start 2016 with a new Mayor, as well as a few new Councilmembers. Updated contact information is below.

Mayor

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Council

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Student Liaison Cole Holocker	choloc@terpmail.umd.edu	410-382-4250

**New members*

Administration

- Laborer position application period closed yesterday, January 4, 2016.
- There will be a presentation regarding Social Security benefits at Davis Hall on Thursday, January 7 at 1 p.m. All employees welcome, those close to retirement are encouraged to attend.

Engineering

- Staff performed a City wide streetlight inspection this past December. 52 malfunctioning streetlights were reported to Pepco for service.
- Roadway patching will be performed this week (weather permitting) at the following locations:
 - Lakeland Road (work actually started before the Holiday break)
 - East Rhode Island Avenue Service Road between Kennesaw Street and Hollywood Road
 - 9702 Narragansett Parkway
 - 5110 Odessa Road

Finance

- We are working on the Finance satellite office at Davis Hall (Public Works) and expect it to be operational within the next 1-2 months. Capabilities of this satellite office will be rolled out in phases. First phase will include residential parking permits, animal licenses, payment of parking tickets and compost transactions. We will provide updates to the completion date.

Planning

- To date, 5 applications totaling just under \$20,000 have been received under the Retail Business Improvement Fund. These grants will leverage almost \$70,000 in private funding.
- Julie Beavers, the City's Market Manager for the Downtown and Hollywood Farmers Market, will attend the Prince George's County Farmers Market Managers Meeting on January 6.

Public Services

- Many Public Services staff took advantage of the slower workload period due to the holidays and took accrued annual leave. Happy New Year to all.
- CODE ENFORCEMENT
 - Due to the holidays, regular property inspections were not scheduled. No City related trials had been scheduled by District Court.

- POLICE

- At 10:14 a.m. Sunday, January 3, 2016, a City Contract Police Officer responded to a call for a suspicious person going door to door pulling on door handles in the 7300 block of Princeton Avenue. The Officer responded and met with the 3 residents of one house. They advised that an unknown man entered their front door. The suspect saw the residents and their German shepherd and walked out of the residence. The residents provided a detailed description of the man and his clothing.

The Suspect then went to another house on the block and pulled on the front door. It was unsecured and the Suspect went inside. The Officer spoke with 2 residents at that house. They advised that the Suspect walked into the residence and saw them sitting on the couch, the Suspect then said he was in the wrong house and walked out. He then headed down Princeton Avenue toward Calvert Road.

The City Contract Officer broadcast the Suspect description, and other PGPD patrol units in the area stopped the Suspect at Hopkins Avenue and Calvert Road. A positive ID was made by the residents. PGPD patrol officers then arrested the Suspect. The University of MD Police were notified and responded to the scene as well, all the residents were UMD students. The arrested suspect is a 61-year-old man who resides in DC.

This incident is an example of quick response and cooperative area search by police agencies resulting in the arrest of a breaking and entering suspect. The residents acted immediately to report this suspicious activity to 9-1-1, which resulted in this arrest. When they saw something, they said something.

- ANIMAL CONTROL

- Removed 1 squirrel carcass from public property
- Responded to a Fire Department request of intake and securing a dog abandoned in a home after the owner was transported to the hospital. Dog was returned home upon release of owner from hospital.

Public Works

- The curbside leaf collection is on schedule. This is the last week of collection.
- Next week DPW will resume weekly yard waste collection. Any leaves still being raked can be placed into a paper bag and set at the curb on the day of refuse-recycling collection. Yard waste is grass, leaves, vines, weeds, small trimmings and clippings, all soft vegetative materials.
- Christmas trees will be collected, starting this week, on the regularly scheduled brush collections days: Thursday and Friday. Trees should be placed at the curb by 7:00 am, and be free of lights, tinsel, ornaments, and other decorations.

MEETINGS AT A GLANCE:

January 5, Tuesday

7:30 pm Mayor and Council Worksession at City Hall

January 6, Wednesday

6:30 pm Board of Election Supervisors Meeting at City Hall

January 7, Thursday

7:30 pm Advisory Planning Commission at City Hall

January 9, Saturday

4:00 pm Committee for a Better Environment Movie Viewing *Inhabit* at City Hall

January 11, Monday

7:30 pm Education Advisory Committee at City Hall

January 12, Tuesday

7:15 pm Public Hearing 15-O-07

7:30 pm Mayor and Council Regular Meeting at City Hall

January 13, Wednesday

7:00 pm Veterans Memorial Committee meeting at Davis Hall

January 14, Thursday

7:00 pm Lakeland Civic Association Meeting at College Park Community Center

7:30 pm North College Park Civic Association Meeting at Davis Hall

January 16, Saturday

2:00 pm Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute at Kay Theater, Clarice Performing Arts Center

The City of College Park
Invites you to its
25th Annual Tribute
to
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Saturday, January 16, 2016

2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Kay Theater, The Clarice Performing Arts Center

University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland
(*University Blvd and Stadium Drive*)

The Time is Always Right...to do what is right

Keynote Address: Maryland Delegate Talmadge Branch, 45th District

Mistress of Ceremonies: Tracee Wilkins, WNBC4-Washington

Musical, dance and literary reflections

Call 240-487-3573 for additional information

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Stadium Drive Garage Parking is available at \$3 per hour*



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December 28, 2015

Mayor Patrick L. Wojahn
Mayor, City of College Park
4500 Knox Road
College Park, MD 20740

REGARDING WORK IN YOUR AREA

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) plans to replace approximately 2.84 miles of water mains in your area. Construction is expected to begin in Spring 2016 and be completed by Fall 2018, weather permitting.

The affected streets include: 49th Place, 50th Avenue, 50th Place, 51st Avenue, 51st Place, 52nd Avenue, 53rd Avenue, Hollywood Road, Huron Street, Iroquois Street, Kenesaw Street, and Narragansett Parkway.

This project is necessary because the water mains are nearing the end of their useful life. Providing a reliable supply of safe drinking water at affordable rates continues to be our highest priority. However, after nearly a century of service, WSSC is facing the same problem confronting water providers across the country – a decaying infrastructure. The water mains within the project area were originally installed in the 1930s – 1960s. These mains will be replaced with new ductile iron pipe which will greatly reduce the frequency of water main breaks, while providing the same high-quality water that WSSC has always provided its customers.

In the event your water service is galvanized pipe, WSSC will replace the portion of the water service between the public main and the property line connection, at no cost to you. Please note that some trees may have to be pruned or removed to accommodate the work. Residents will be notified ahead of time, if there is a need for any tree removal.

All work is expected to be conducted during weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. WSSC will work closely with the residents and regulatory agencies to deliver a high-quality project on time and within budget, while minimizing disruptions to traffic and the environment. Water service may be interrupted while the new main is being tied into the existing main, however this will be limited to a few hours at a time. Residents will receive more detailed information from our construction team prior to any scheduled service interruption.

To receive an e-mail or text message alert when your water service is disrupted, you may register for WSSC's Customer Notification System (CNS). Visit WSSC's home page at www.wsscwater.com and click on the CNS logo on the left-hand side to sign up. The service is FREE but standard text messaging rates may apply.

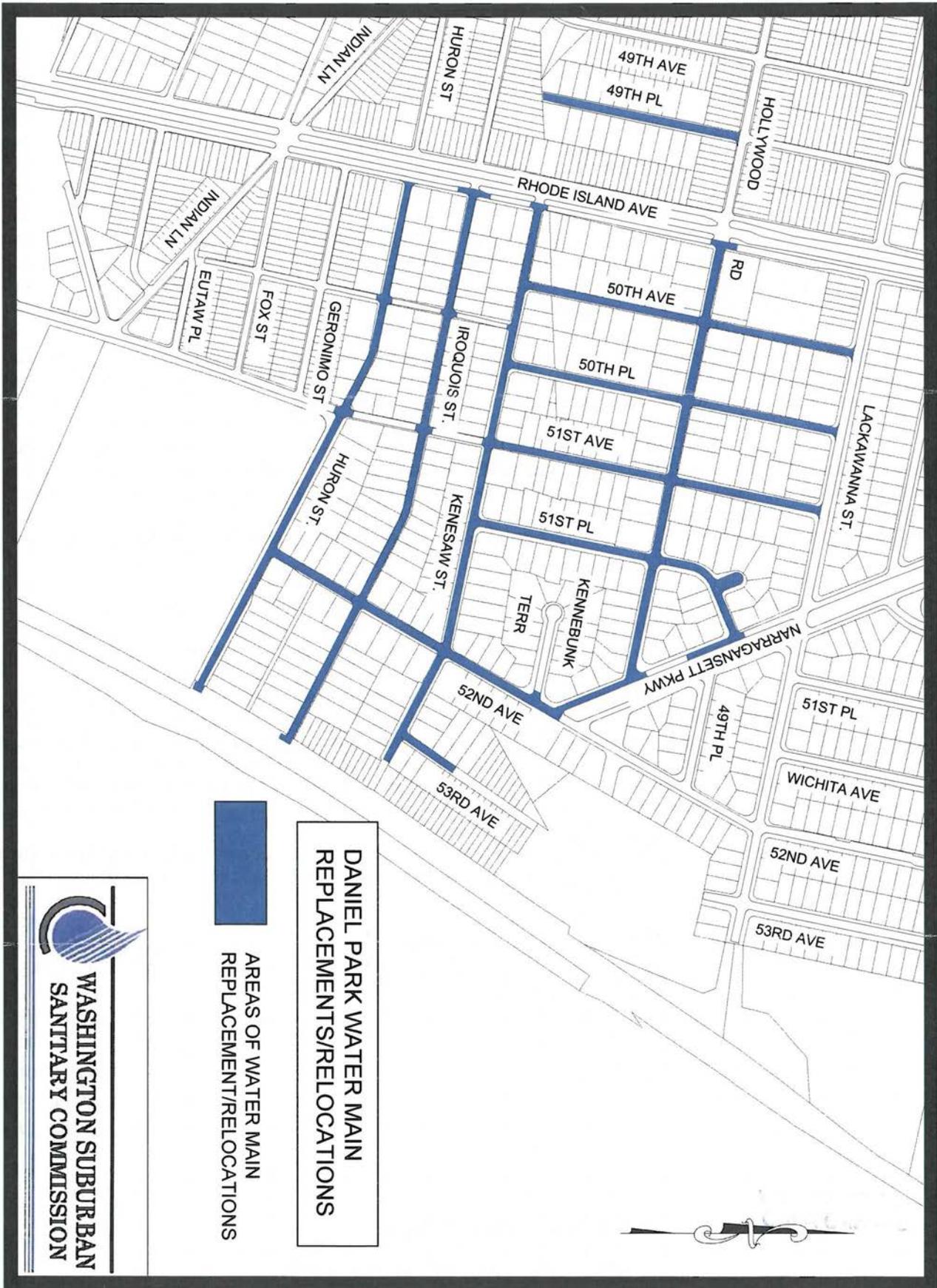
For your convenience, you will find a map on the back of this letter showing the affected streets. If you have any questions about this project (BR5868A15) or need additional information, please contact me at 301-206-8358 or by e-mail at Vicente.Sorra@wsscwater.com. However, if you experience a water or sewer emergency, please contact our 24-Hour Emergency Call Center at [301-206-4002](tel:301-206-4002).

You may click on the following link to find out more about WSSC projects in your neighborhood: <https://gis.wsscwater.com/inyourneighborhood/>. To learn more about the water main replacement process, please scan this QR Code with your smartphone to view a video. The video can also be found online at wsscwater.com/wmrvideo.

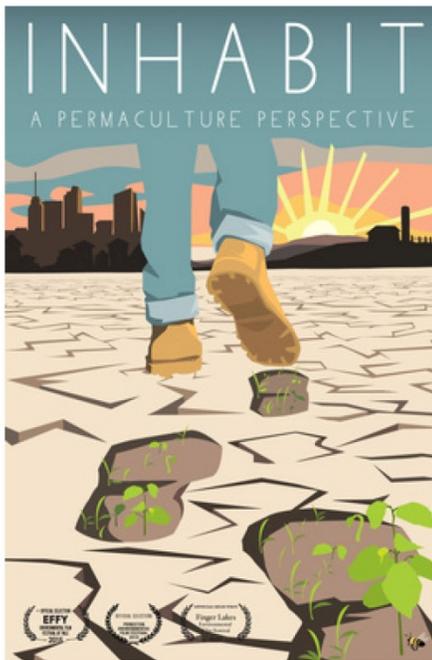
Sincerely,

Vicente Sorra
Project Manager – Infrastructure Systems Group





**Join the Committee for a Better Environment
for a viewing of the movie
INHABIT: A Permaculture Perspective**



2015, 92 min.
Documentary, Environmental
Director: Costa Boutsikaris

INHABIT explores the many environmental and agricultural issues facing us today and examines solutions that are being applied using the ecological design process called 'Permaculture'. Permaculture is a design lens that uses the principles found in ecosystems to help shift our impact from destructive to regenerative. Focused mostly on the Northeastern and Midwestern regions of the United States, Inhabit provides an intimate look at permaculture peoples and practices ranging from rural, suburban, and urban landscapes.

Saturday, January 9, 2016

4:00 p.m.

**College Park City Hall
2nd Floor Council Chambers
4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740**



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Deputy Secretary

December 29, 2015

The Honorable Patrick L. Wojahn
Mayor
City of College Park
4500 Knox Road
College Park, MD 20740

Re: Application SRP-CL-2016-CollegePrk-00269 - Environmental Remediation of Former Calvert Road School

Dear Mayor Wojahn:

On behalf of Governor Larry Hogan and Lieutenant Governor Boyd K. Rutherford, it is my pleasure to inform you that your funding request for the FY 2016 Community Legacy Program has been approved in the amount of \$100,000. Specifically, these funds will be available to assist you with the Environmental Remediation of Former Calvert Road School project.

This funding is conditioned upon execution of a grant agreement between the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (the Department) and the awardee. The Community Legacy Program is administered by the Department through the Division of Neighborhood Revitalization. Currently, staff is preparing the agreement and will be in contact with your office in the near future to discuss the specific terms of your agreement.

Again, congratulations on your award. If I may be of further assistance on this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Kevin Baynes, Director of Community Programs, at 410-209-5823 or via email at kevin.baynes@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Holt
Secretary

cc: Mr. Kevin N. Baynes, AICP, Director, Office of Community Programs

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Certificate of Appreciation

2015 - 2016

Presented to:

City of College Park, Maryland

*With sincere appreciation for your efforts to warm your community
by collecting coats for those in need.*

Jennifer Stockard

Jennifer Stockard - President & CEO

Sherri Wood

Sherri Wood - Chair & National Founder

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