

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
**CITY OF COLLEGE PARK
WEEKLY BULLETIN**

August 1, 2016



On July 25, the Paint Branch Playground was officially opened in the Yarrow neighborhood of College Park. We are excited to have this beautiful new playground and we hope our youngest residents love it as much as we do!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Free Parking in Downtown College Park

Weekdays after 5 p.m., Weekends all-day
Downtown College Park Garage and City Hall Lot
May 28 through August 14

Your evening and weekend plans just got even better! The City of College Park is offering Free Parking in the Downtown College Park Garage and City Hall lot, weekdays after 5:00 p.m. and all day on weekends. Free Parking in Downtown College Park begins on May 28 and ends August 14, 2016.

Come Downtown this summer to try one of our new restaurants or visit an old favorite! Check us out at: www.shopcollegepark.org.

FROM OUR CITY DEPARTMENTS

Department of Planning, Community and Economic Development

- Along with Mayor Wojahn, staff attended the opening of the new Paint Branch Playground. This

new M-NCPPC playground is located near Campus Drive (formerly Paint Branch Parkway) and the disc golf course on Old Calvert Road. It features a creative “tree house” theme with lots of fun play equipment to get kids excited and active.

- The City was notified that it did not receive a TIGER grant for the US Route 1 reconstruction. Work continues on other State Highway Administration (SHA) projects of interest to the City. Options are under consideration for safety improvements to the I-495/US 1 intersection and the Greenbelt Metro Interchange project is in the final design phase. The limits of this project are from the Greenbelt Metro Station to Baltimore/Washington Parkway as the segment from US 1 to the Metro Station is not moving forward at this time. A noise analysis has been done as part of the required NEPA environmental documentation and SHA is willing to present the results of this study at a City Council meeting in the near future.
- The Detailed Site Plan for the proposed grocery store, Lidl, to replace the Clarion Inn at the northeast corner of Baltimore Avenue and Berwyn Road, is under review by City and M-NCPPC staff with a proposed Planning Board hearing date of October 20.

Youth and Family Services

- Update: The College Park City Council formally requested Governor Hogan to release state funds directed towards state Youth Service Bureaus. The City of College Park’s Youth and Family Services is one of the state’s Youth Service Bureau partners and one of only five in the County, and has effectively served over 4,000 children and their families since 1974. The Joint Committee of the Senate Committee on Budget and Taxation and the House Committee on Appropriations’s scheduled hearing has been postponed.
 - If you would like your voice to be heard, please contact the Governor by phone at 1(800)811-8336 or by email through the Governor’s Chief of Staff Craig Williams at craig.a.williams@maryland.gov

Department of Public Works

- We are sold out of Smartleaf Compost, however more will be ready in the fall. Wood mulch is still available for purchase.
- Mosquito spraying occurs on Wednesday evenings in College Park between 7:30 pm - 11:00 pm, if the spray criteria are met. No spraying occurred in College Park last Wednesday.
- The department has been unusually busy with move-outs and special trash collections. Last week we collected the following: 106 Special Trash collections, 41 Move-out collections, 32 Brush collections, 20 Electronic recycling collections, 13 Metal/Hardware collections, 4 Yard waste collections, and 4 Recycling cart deliveries!

Engineering Division

- The WSSC restoration of affected Old Town streets is still on-going. Resurfacing of the streets has been completed, while striping is still in progress
- This week WSSC’s concrete contractor will begin repairing various concrete intersections in the Old Town area including the concrete driveway apron at Lehigh Road and Baltimore Avenue.

UPCOMING EVENTS

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 with certain events starting at 6:00 p.m.

National Night Out (NNO) is a community-police partnership that provides a unique opportunity for

residents to increase awareness about crime prevention and safety, get to know their neighbors, and meet local law enforcement and other public safety officers.

Please turn on your porch or lamp-post lights from dusk to midnight on Aug 2!

Neighborhood Events:

Berwyn 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Join friends and neighbors for hot dogs, ice cream, and games at the park. Talk with local law enforcement, local officials, and get city and police resources. Maps for the new walking tour in Berwyn will also be available and groups will head out on the tour.

Cherry Hill 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Meet & Greet in the Cherry Hill Neighborhood Park on Kiernan Road. Join PGPD COPS officers for a walk through the neighborhood.

College Park Woods 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Meet & Greet in the College Park Woods Swim Club for community members, law enforcement officers and elected officials.

Lakeland

Meet at the Lakeland Community Park at 6:00 p.m. Community Officials at 7:30 p.m. Community Walk at 8:00 p.m. walk the Lakeland Community ending at Adams Park.

North College Park 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Meet at Duvall Field

For more information contact your local Neighborhood Watch representative or call the Department of Public Services at 240-487-3570

UPCOMING CITY MEETINGS

Meetings at a Glance

City of College Park Mayor and Council Notice of Meetings

- Wednesday, August 3, 2016 7:30 p.m. – Mayor and Council Worksession
- Tuesday, August 9, 2016 7:30 p.m. – Mayor and Council Regular Meeting, including a public hearing on Ordinance 16-O-06, “No Through Truck Traffic”, and a closed session to discuss a personnel matter
- Monday, August 29, 2016 7:00 p.m. – Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee