

Citizen Centric Report: The City received the “Certification of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting” for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. This is the City’s second year in winning this noteworthy accomplishment which is awarded by the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). The goal of the Citizen Centric Report is to improve how governments present financial and performance information to taxpayers so that it is clear, accurate, up-to-date and easily accessible by all. Highlights includes the City’s informative and easy-to-read layout with a great presentation of the City’s vision and priorities as well as a good summary of revenues and expenditures. The AGA specified, “The layout, color palette and use of pictures and charts are terrific.”

BARKitecture: On June 25, Norfolk Mayor Kenneth Cooper Alexander passed the gavel to Mayor Donnie Tuck as Board Chair of the Hampton Roads Military and Federal Facilities Alliance (HRMFFA). Mayor Alexander served as Board Chair since June of last year as prescribed by HRMFFA by-laws. Established in 2006, HRMFFA is an initiative of the Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs Caucus. The organization provides a focused regional voice in matters relating to attracting, retaining and growing Hampton Roads’ federal capabilities within the region.

Census 2020 Complete Count Committee Meeting: The first meeting of the city's Census 2020 Complete Count Committee took place this evening at Norfolk SCOPE. This is the first of the five Committee meetings that will be held during the planning process for the census. The Census Committee is chaired by Councilman Thomas R. Smigiel, and is comprised of over forty Norfolk residents, business leaders, and organizational representatives including Old Dominion University, Norfolk State University, the Urban League, civic leagues, and business associations. The committee will work with the Census Bureau and city staff to encourage Norfolk residents to participate in next year's census.

Huntersville Pitch Competition: On Saturday, June 15th the Department of Development, along with our partners Hampton Roads Workforce Council, held the Huntersville Pitch Competition at the Huntersville Community Center. This competition allowed entrepreneurs to Pitch their business idea in front of four Judges. With the grant monies received from SunTrust Bank, we were able to award five winners \$1,500.00, and two honorable mention winners \$500.00 towards their business. Starting in September, we’ll be launching the Fall BIZ Café 3-part series in the Southside community, with another Pitch Competition in October.

Norfolk Happening Now! Upcoming Events for Your Awareness

July 4 (5-10pm) **4th of July Great American Picnic & Fireworks** @Town Point

Relax on the lawn and enjoy the live entertainment, then watch as the sky lights up with the fireworks display at 9:30 pm!

July 7 (12:00-6pm) **2019 Barks & Brews** @Norfolk Botanical Garden

Bring your dog to the Garden and have a beer for a fun day with live music! Guests are welcome to explore the Garden with their furry canine companion.

July 7 (7:30-10 pm) **Attucks100 Presents: Lalah Hathaway** @Attucks Theatre

Attucks at 100 celebrations continue this summer as five-time Grammy winner, singer Lalah Hathaway takes the Attucks stage.

July 7 (9am-7pm) **Barkitecture Designer Doghouses at NBG/ Barks & Brews** @Norfolk Botanical Garden

YOUR DOG'S DREAM HOME IS WAITING! Barkitecture is a fun and educational exhibit for all ages. This summer the Garden's Enchanted Forest will become the stage for custom doghouses worthy of the most pampered pooch. The exhibit will feature designer doghouses built by local companies, organizations, and individuals—creating exclusive puppy palaces.

July 9 (4:30pm informal session; 7pm formal session) **City Council Meeting** @City Hall

Informal meeting: 10th floor conference room; Formal meeting: 11th floor Council Chambers

July 9 (6:30-7:30pm) **Parks & Recreation Month** @Ocean View Beach Park

MixedFit. For more information call 622-9622 or 823-4291. Visit Norfolk.gov/Play

[Video highlights of the latest happenings in Norfolk!](#)

[Tidewater Gardens Update](#)

[2019 NBN Award Ceremony and Luncheon](#)

[USACE & City of Norfolk Agreement for Coastal Storm Risk Management Study](#)



**SIXTY-DAY TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS AND MEETING TOPICS**

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM MAY 23 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **City Planning Commission (Applicant)** zoning text amendment to amend parts of the demolition process in the Historic & Cultural Conservation zoning districts
- **Lisa Miller (Applicant)** change of zoning to subdivide the property into three 5,000 square foot lots at 5980 Curlew Dr
- **Amin Mohamed (Applicant)** change of zoning to allow a mixed-use development with 7 dwelling units at 1855 Church St
- **YWCA South Hampton Roads (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow an assisted living facility at 2333 Ballentine Blvd
- **New Business**
 - **Development Certificate – Within Interior Design, Inc. – 1008 Granby Street**

June 25, 2019

WORKSESSION

BRIEFINGS:

- St. Paul's Update
- Sidewalks: New Construction and Resurfacing

UPCOMING ITEMS FROM JUNE 27 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING:

- **City Planning Commission (Applicant)** adopt by reference *A Vision for Wards Corner: Urban Development Area Plan*
- **Equity Development Corporation (Applicant)** amend future land use and change of zoning to allow a new townhome style community at 8501, 8511 Chesapeake Blvd and 8506 Old Ocean View Rd
- **City Planning Commission (Applicant)** zoning text amendment to allow proffers for residential rezoning
- **City Planning Commission (Applicant)** zoning text amendment to clarify flood elevation requirements for equipment and ductwork
- **Kenneth and Karen Whitley (Applicant)** change of zoning to allow the property to limit development to the single-family homes at 1435, 1439, 1443 Kempsville Rd and 5739 and 5749 Cornick Rd
- **Jason Edelman (Applicant)** change of zoning to allow for a new restaurant and vacation rental 1231 Boissevain Ave
- **Laushaun Robinson – Sycamore Plaza (Applicant)** amend future land map, change of zoning and conditional use permit to allow the construction of multi-family dwelling units with commercial spaces at 1298, 1300, 1302, NS E. Indian River Rd, 903, 1005, 1015, 1017, 1021, 1023, 1025, 1041, WS Wilson Rd and SS Francis St
- **Sunset Grill (Applicant)** change of zoning and conditional use permit to allow an existing restaurant to operate until midnight at 4027 Bowdens Ferry Rd

- **Mary Hellman (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow construction of a single-family residence that does not meet the average front yard setback
- **Seven Cities Repair (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow the repair and maintenance of commercial vehicles at 420 E 20th St
- **Living Room (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow a nightclub to operate with on-premises alcohol sales and live entertainment with a disc jockey and dance floor until 2:00 am at 700 N. Military Hwy
- **Andalousi, LLC (Applicant)** conditional use permits to allow the operation of a banquet hall with live entertainment and alcohol beverages for on-premise consumption at 2729 Bowdens Ferry Rd
- **Granby Theater (Applicant)** conditional use permit to allow a nightclub to operate with on-premises alcohol sales and live entertainment until 2:00 am at 421 Granby St
- **New Business**
 - **Children’s Hospital of the Kings Daughters (CHKD)** - development certificate at 400 Gresham Dr for a new medical tower and parking garage
 - **The Hanson Company** – development certificate at 611-615 W 35th St
 - **Biophilic Cities** – Resolution to announce the City’s intention to join the Biophilic Cities Network

July 2, 2019

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BRIEFINGS:

- Wards Corner Plan
- Planning Update

July 9, 2019

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July 23, 2019

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City Council Recess - July 30, 2019 – August 20, 2019

Attachments



The rise of urban food forests

“Cities like Atlanta and Philadelphia are recognizing a park can be more than just a green space when visitors are allowed to pick fruits, vegetables and nuts.”



A Remedy for Urban Dullness

“How can you build a great place? Expand the number of people who own it.”



Should a Private Tech Giant Be Designing Cities?

“Google’s sister company wants to build the city of the future on Toronto’s waterfront, raising concerns over privacy and the role of government.”