The Ohio Creek Project
Neighborhood Project Update

The Ohio Creek Watershed Project is moving along! You will see construction on the new soccer field and basketball court in the Resilience Park. Improvements to the Ballentine underpass started in June. The pedestrian walkway will be widened, and a new light feature added. Also, there will be new green landscaping added throughout the community.

As crews continue to work diligently on the project, there are additional road closures that will happen over the next several months. In early July, the lower part of Norchester Avenue will be closed to through traffic and workers will direct vehicles through intersections. The graphic below has details on the road closures. The entire project will be complete by December 2022.

Office of Resilience Giveaway!

Show your support for resilience in the City of Norfolk! The Office of Resilience is hosting a drawing for fun giveaways such as water bottles, frisbees, and pens. To be entered in the drawing, please email NorfolkRC@norfolk.gov by August 15. Three winners will be selected at random and contacted regarding their prize by the end of July. Thank YOU for supporting the Ohio Creek Project and working with our City on resilient efforts.
How to Join the Meetings

To join the virtual meetings, please download WebEx in advance at: https://www.webex.com/downloads.html. This is a free application and can be downloaded to a device (laptop, tablet, mobile phone) that has a microphone and camera. If unable to download, participants can join the meetings via phone at the phone numbers and access codes provided above. For technical assistance and guidance, please contact ZaMari Love, Neighborhood Development Specialist at 757–390–7448 or ZaMari.Love@norfolk.gov.

**Upcoming Civic League Meeting**

The Chesterfield Heights Civic League Meeting will be held on Monday, July 26 from 6-7pm. This meeting will take place virtually and be held via WebEx. Please find the access information below:

**JOIN THE MEETING**

**JOIN BY VIDEO STREAM**
Dial 1607219901@convoice.webex.com
You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number

**JOIN BY PHONE**
+1-415-655-0002 US Toll
Access code: 160 706 4120

**Acceptable Household Hazardous Waste**
- Cooking Oil
- Drain Cleaners
- Wood & Metal Cleaners/
  Polishes
- Toilet Cleaners
- Tub, Tile, Shower Cleaners
- Motor Oil
- Automotive Batteries
- Transmission & Brake Fluid
- Antifreeze
- Gasoline/diesel fuel
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Wood Preservatives /
  Fungicides
- Paints
- Pesticides
- Fertilizers
- Rechargeable Small Sealed Lead Acid Batteries
- Rechargeable Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd) Batteries
- Rechargeable Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH) Batteries
- Rechargeable Lithium Ion (Li-ion) Batteries
- Propane Tanks & Cylinders
- Lighter Fluid
- Home Mixing Oil
- Kerosene
- Aerosol Cans
- Gas / Oil Mixtures
- Ammonia
- Cockroach Pesticides
- Fungicides
- Household Insecticides
- Mosquito Repellents
- Furniture Strippers
- All-Purpose
- Stone & Finishes
- Paint Thinners & Turpentine
- Paint Strippers & Removers
- Mercury Containing Thermometers
- Mercury Thermometers
- Compact Fluorescent Bulbs

**COVID Requirements**
- Drive-thru participants must wear a face mask at check-in and drop off locations.
- Drive-thru participants must place items for drop-off in trunk or truck bed of vehicle.
- Walk-up participants must maintain social distancing and wear a face mask at all times.
- Do not attend event if you have tested positive for COVID-19, come in contact with someone who has tested positive within 14 days prior to the event, or have cold or flu like symptoms.

For more information, email knb@norfolk.gov or call 757-441-1347.

**Interested in receiving biweekly City updates?**
Email ZaMari Love, Neighborhood Development Specialist at zamari.love@norfolk.gov to sign up. You can also check out the Neighborhood Development website (www.norfolk.gov/neighborhoods) for event updates, upcoming Neighbors Building Neighborhood courses, and neighborhood resources.

Keep Norfolk Beautiful: Special Waste Collection Event!
For more information regarding the Special Waste Collection Event, contact Morgan DeWeese, Public Services Coordinator – Recycling, at Morgan.DeWeese@norfolk.gov
Meet Melissa Emerson-Greene: City Construction Inspector

Melissa is the City’s Construction Inspector for the Ohio Creek Watershed Project. Melissa has been a Construction Inspector for the City of Norfolk for 23+ years and enjoys what she does for the citizens of Norfolk. Melissa visits the construction site frequently to ensure that the quality of work is superior, the safety of residents and workers remains paramount, and to interact with project team and residents as needed. Other aspects of Melissa’s job involve documentation of construction work, interaction with all levels of the project contractor team, and coordination with the project engineers and architects. Melissa is the boots on the ground, eyes and ears of the project management team, and the most crucial project team member. Please say hi or ask Melissa any questions when you see her in your neighborhood.

Meet MBP Project Consultant

MBP is a construction management and consulting firm that was brought on to the Ohio Creek Watershed project in the spring of 2020 to provide construction engineering and inspection (CEI) services, Davis Bacon compliance support, and CPM schedule reviews. The Ohio Creek Watershed project is an important project, and we are excited to have the opportunity to do our part to help reduce flooding, improve public waterway access, and improve connections to the rest of the city. There are two team members we would like to highlight who are working on the project:

Tray Garrett, CMIT, is MBP’s Project Inspector. He is an ODU graduate with a degree in Civil Engineering and he works with the City to provide quality assurance inspections, oversight of materials testing, and Davis Bacon compliance. He also provides daily reports to demonstrate conformance with contract documents or issues related to time, safety, quality, and cost. Tray has been with MBP for three years and has over seven years of experience in construction management and engineering providing quality control, quality assurance, materials testing, and consulting services for related projects.

Kim Forbes, CCM, PSP, LEED AP, is MBP’s lead CPM Schedule review Project Manager for the project. She reviews and oversees the project schedule to monitor construction progress and compliance with project specifications. This includes comparison and analysis of the project schedule, project records, contract documents, and field verification. Kim has over 20 years of experience and specializes in on-site critical path method (CPM) scheduling, review, and analysis, construction cost estimating, change order analysis, and schedule time impact analysis. Kim has helped manage projects through CPM scheduling and owner representation from conception through project closeout for multimillion-dollar facilities.

MBP is proud to be able to use our Resiliency/Sea Level Rise (R-SLR) experience to add to the success of this exciting project that is part of the City of Norfolk’s Resilience Strategy for water-management activities aimed at improving the neighborhood by increasing neighborhood connectivity, adding new and improved natural habitat, and increasing resilience to flooding.

Receive Up to Date Project Information Via Email

To receive up to date information regarding the Ohio Creek Watershed Project, please join our email list. To be added to the email list, please email ohiocreek@norfolk.gov

Have questions? Connect with us!

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