



# Real Time Updates

Chesapeake  
VIRGINIA

for the Chesapeake City Council and Community Leaders

August 2014

## NEWS

### WHAT IS YOUR STORM SURGE ZONE?

It is extremely important for citizens to know their Storm Surge Zone, because it's the primary way the City handles evacuations. Since the Hampton Roads area has an insufficient roadway network to effectively evacuate our population, we must use very targeted evacuation procedures. Knowing your Storm Surge Zone will help you know when and how to respond to emergency instructions. The easiest way to look up your Storm Surge Zone is on the City's website. Visit [CityofChesapeake.net](http://CityofChesapeake.net), click on the Spotlight tab on the home page and under the first item there is a link to the storm surge look up tool.

If you are in Category 1 or 2 you are the most prone to flooding Categories 3, 4, 5 are less prone, but can still be vulnerable. We encourage citizens in the Category 1 or 2 areas to be prepared to leave the area and seek shelter with family, friends, or at a hotel. Citizens in Categories 3,4,5 need to be prepared to shelter-in-place and to be on their own for several days.

Now, every storm is different, and we could have a catastrophic event and order evacuation of all our Storm Surge areas. When a storm is approaching, we encourage citizens to stay informed by watching WCTV Chesapeake Television, monitoring WFOS 88.7 FM radio, keeping up with posts on the City's website and Facebook page, and by signing up for Chesapeake Alert.

### YOUR NEW CITY COUNCIL

Front Row (left to right):  
**Robert C. Ike, Jr, Vice Mayor**  
**John de Triquet, Mayor Alan**  
**P. Krasnoff, Suzy H. Kelly,**  
**and Lonnie E. Craig.**

Back Row (left to right): **Dr.**  
**Ella P. Ward, Roland J. Davis,**  
**Jr., S.Z. "Debbie" Ritter, and**  
**Richard W. West.**



Additional information can be found at [CityofChesapeake.net](http://CityofChesapeake.net), or contact the City Manager's Office at 382-6166.

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# OPERATIONS

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## NEW WALMART GROCERY ON CEDAR RD.

- The Development and Permits Department recently issued a temporary Certificate of Occupancy for the Walmart Grocery at 673 Cedar Rd. to begin stocking. The Grand Opening is scheduled for August 13.

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# PROJECTS

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## PORTSMOUTH BLVD. WIDENING PROJECT

- The City has received approval from the Virginia Department of Transportation to proceed with right-of-way acquisition for the Portsmouth Boulevard Widening Project.

## NEW CITY DOG PARK

- A new and improved City dog park is set to open this fall.

## ELIZABETH RIVER PARK

- The Elizabeth River Park is expected to be completed in December of 2014. Park improvements will include paved parking for passenger vehicles and spaces for boat trailers, a new park entrance, and paved roadways and sidewalks. The park will have bathroom facilities, a combo building that includes a ship store and covered pavilion, playground, dock improvements, picnic shelters, site utilities, new landscaping, and a perimeter walking trail.



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# EVENTS

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### **Dunedin Community Day**

Tuesday, August 5  
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
M. Anne Tregembo Park  
3360 Dunedin Dr.

### **Chesapeake Criterium**

Saturday, August 9  
7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Chesapeake Conference  
Center

### **The Peter Teeuwen Memorial Time Trials**

Sunday, August 10  
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 pm  
Deep Creek Park

### **Commonwealth's Attorney's Office Annual Basketball Tournament**

Thursday, August 14  
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Johnson Park

**Movie & More Series**  
**Featuring: "The Sandlot"**  
Saturday, August 16  
6:00 p.m.  
Chesapeake City Park

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Hampton Roads Transit (HRT) is looking for input on the future of public transit in our region. They are asking for your feedback by taking a survey to find out your transit preferences. The survey is intended to help HRT understand some basic concerns and expectations of their current and future customers.

If you are interested in completing the survey about future transit in our area visit the following link to fill out the questionnaire

<https://connecthamptonroads.surveyanalytics.com/>



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## THE LIBRARY HAS A NEW DIRECTOR

- City Manager James E. Baker has announced the appointment of Victoria Strickland-Cordial to the position of Director of the Chesapeake Public Library System, effective August 1. Strickland-Cordial has served as Acting Director of the System since August of 2013.

“I am delighted to have someone of Victoria’s skill, knowledge and background to lead our libraries,” said Baker. “In today’s fast-changing world of technology and information exchange, libraries are much more than shelves of books. Victoria shares the City’s desire to make our libraries relevant and useful in both their collections and in the services they provide for our citizens.”



Strickland-Cordial served as Assistant Director of the Chesapeake Public Library System from January to August of 2013. Prior to that, she spent five years as Youth and Family Services Manager with the Virginia Beach Public Library, preceded by seven and one-half years as Children’s and Teen Services/Assistant Library Manager in Chesapeake. She holds a Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, and a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from Old Dominion University.

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## ARE YOU PREPARED FOR HURRICANE SEASON?

- Hurricane season has arrived and no matter what the seasonal forecast is you should be prepared! It only takes one storm to cause major damage and disruption. The time to prepare for a storm is NOW, before the skies darken and the wind picks up.



A great deal of information about preparing for a storm is available at [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov). Everything from an emergency kit checklist to special preparations for children, the elderly and pets, and much more. One of the most critical things to know is your storm surge zone – you can look this up at the City of Chesapeake website. The City may order evacuations by these zones. If a storm does arrive, be sure to monitor WCTV Chesapeake Television, WFOS-88.7FM radio, the website, and City social media for the latest local news and information. Also, please register for the ChesapeakeAlert system to receive messages to your phone or email. Be prepared and be safe.

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO FIRE CAPTAIN CHRISTINE DOSMANN

- Congratulations to Captain Christine Dosmann of the Chesapeake Fire Department for successfully completing the National Fire Academy’s Executive Fire Officer Program.

This is an extensive four-year leadership development program which encompasses four separate two-week courses on the Academy campus followed by a rigorous applied research project which must meet the highest academic standards in order to receive a passing grade. Only a very small percentage of America’s Fire Officers have completed this prestigious achievement during their careers.

