



Real Time Updates

Chesapeake
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April 2015

for the Chesapeake City Council and Community Leaders

NEWS

2015 STATE OF THE CITY - APRIL 15



Mayor Alan Krasnoff's State of the City address will be held on April 15, at the Chesapeake Conference Center. The luncheon event begins at 12:00 noon, with tickets costing \$45 for Chamber of Commerce members and \$65 for non-members.

Don't miss this key Chesapeake event! You can reserve your seat by calling 664-2560, or register online at HamptonRoadsChamber.com.

WCTV Chesapeake Television will televise the event live on Cox 48, Verizon 43, or On-demand at CityofChesapeake.net/TV. Visit the website for replay airtimes.

PUBLIC HEARING MEETINGS FOR THE PROPOSED CITY BUDGET

On March 24, City Manager James E. Baker presented the proposed Operating Budget for the fiscal year that begins July 1. The \$933.1 million budget balances existing revenue and other resources with immediate demands without compromising the City's ability to sustain the most critical citizen services. There are no changes proposed in general tax rates and only modest fee increases proposed. The FY 2016 proposed budget honors the commitment to Chesapeake Public Schools and addresses employee retention, recruitment, and health care costs.

The City Council is evaluating the proposal and is expected to vote on the budget on May 12. Citizens can provide input during Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 28, and Tuesday, May 12. Citizens who wish to speak may register on the date of the meeting in the City Council Chamber before 6:30 p.m. Citizens may pre-register by calling the City Clerk's Office at 382-6151.

CHESAPEAKE ARBORETUM UPDATE

At the request of the City Manager, an Arboretum Committee was formed to discuss and evaluate the Chesapeake Arboretum. City Council, the City Manager, and the Committee agreed to terminate the lease with Chesapeake Arboretum, Inc., and turn over the Arboretum to the Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department in May 2015. An Advisory Board and Friends of the Arboretum will also be created later this spring.

Additional information can be found at CityofChesapeake.net, or contact the City Manager's Office at 382-6166.

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ELIZABETH RIVER PARK GRAND RE-OPENING

Due to the rough weather this past winter and the lack of establishment of turf necessary to host citizens, the grand re-opening festivities for the Elizabeth River Park have been moved to Saturday, May 30. The event will take place from 4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. and will feature activities including park tours, children's play area, fireworks, food, a family-friendly outdoor movie, and more!

The Elizabeth River Park is located at the north end of the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River, at 1400 Elizabeth River Way in Chesapeake. Admission and parking are FREE with concessions available on site for purchase.

FREE HEALTH FAIR FOR VETERANS

Montero Medical Missions presents their FREE quarterly Health Fair for Veterans event on Saturday, April 11, from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Veterans need to bring their Military ID or a copy of their DD214 Form.



The event will be held at Chesapeake Regional Medical Center - Lifestyle Center located at 800 N Battlefield Blvd. Some of the screenings and referral stations include: primary care, chiropractic, mental health, veteran's claims assistance, women's health, vision, and more. If you cannot make the April 11 fair, the next one will take place on July 25.

Montero Medical Missions proudly serves Veterans who valiantly fought to protect our nation, it's people, and our freedoms. For more information visit monteromedicalmissions.org or contact 757-598-2666.



PROJECTS

DOMINION BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The Dominion Boulevard Improvement Project continues on schedule. The widening of the north side of Great Bridge Boulevard carried on this month with asphalt work. Curb and gutter installation is progressing on Cedar Road and crews poured concrete for the southbound bridge span over the Elizabeth River.

CITY HALL WALKWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Trees, hedges, and underbrush were cleared at the footbridge near City Hall to increase safety for City workers and citizens that use the east parking lots.

OLDE MILL RUN PARK BRIDGE

A new footbridge was recently installed in the back of Olde Mill Run Park as an Eagle Scout project.



EVENTS

EGGstravaganza
Ceremony & Celebration
Saturday, April 4
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Chesapeake City Park

Dismal Swamp Stomp Half
Marathon and Cub Run
Saturday, April 11
8:00 a.m.
Dismal Swamp Canal Trail

Health Fair for Veterans
Free Health Screening
Saturday, April 11
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Chesapeake Regional
Lifestyle Center

Volunteer Appreciation
Tuesday, April 14
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
City Hall - First Floor
Lobby

State of the City
Wednesday, April 15
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Chesapeake Conference
Center
*Lunch & Program
12:00 noon*

Crimes Victims' Rights
Ceremony
Wednesday, April 15
3:00 p.m.
Juvenile & Domestic
Relations Court, 2nd Floor

Boys Leadership
Conference
Saturday, April 18
8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Oscar Smith Middle School

Neighborhood Leadership
Class
Thursday, April 23
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
City Hall HR Training
Room - Fourth Floor

Chesapeake Senior Games
Friday, April 24
9:00 a.m.
Indian River Community
Center

Mayor's Cup T-Ball
Saturday, April 25
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
City Hall Complex
Grounds

Hampton Roads
Rubber Duck Race
Saturday, April 25
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Battlefield Park South
120 Reservation Road

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