

CITY OF WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA

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Spring 2018

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Summer camps:

Wilmington Parks & Recreation offers a variety of summer camps for different age groups. Pre-registration is required. Camp locations include:

MLK Community Center
Maides Park
Halyburton Park

More information:

wilmingtonnc.gov/summercamps
910-341-7855

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North Waterfront Park

The schematic design for the city's 6.6-acre North Waterfront Park is complete. The city continues to work with renowned landscape architecture firm Hargreave-Jones on the design. LiveNation, the city's event promotion partner for the concert venue in the park, is also participating in the design of the \$20 million facility that is slated to open in 2020.

In 2013, the city purchased a 6.6-acre tract for the park along the northern waterfront near the Isabel Holmes Bridge. Wilmington voters approved \$20 million for development of the park as part of the 2016 Parks Bond. An extensive public input campaign began in 2014 to get feedback about what citizens wanted in the park, which was used to develop the park masterplan approved by City Council in 2017. The final design is expected to be completed this summer with construction to start late this year.

2018-2019 City Budget

Development of the city's fiscal year 2018-19 budget is now underway. The City Council will vote on the budget in June and by state law must have an approved, balanced budget by June 30. The new fiscal year begins on July 1. The recommended budget can be viewed on the city's website at wilmingtonnc.gov/budget

Key dates

June 5: First vote

June 19: Second vote and final adoption

July 1: Beginning of new Budget Year

 www.wilmingtonnc.gov/budget



 More background is available at: www.wilmingtonnc.gov/waterfrontpark

Yard waste pick up tips

It's spring and for many of us, that means time for spring-cleaning our yards. In order to ensure a more efficient and dependable pick up for city customers, the city has placed a limit on the amount of yard debris that customers can place at the curb each week. Violators placing an excessive amount of debris out for collection could face a civil fine of \$50 per day. Reminders:

- ✔ City trash customers can set out up to 7 cubic yards of yard waste to the curb for collection. This is equal to a pile approximately 5-feet wide, 11-feet long and 3½-feet high – about the same size as eight large size garbage/recycling carts. This includes all yard waste, whether it is loose or in a container.
- ✔ Limbs cannot exceed 6 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length and must be placed neatly for pickup. Loose items, such as leaves, pine straw or small cuttings, must be put in bags or containers not to exceed 35 gallons in size (same size as small trash cart) or weigh more than 50 pounds.
- ✔ Yard waste placed on tarps, in wheelbarrows or on trailers will not be collected.
- ✔ Contracted work performed by tree service companies or independent contractors will not be collected by city crews; it is the responsibility of the contractor to remove and properly dispose of debris.
- ✔ Yard waste should NEVER be placed in the street. It must be placed only at the curb for collection and cannot block water meters, storm drains or obstruct the view of motorists.



www.wilmingtonnc.gov/trash

Investing in our future

5 YEAR IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Through the city's biennial Citizen Survey, citizens have rated preserving the public's investment in infrastructure and street maintenance as a top priority. With that in mind, the city created the 5-year Infrastructure Improvement Plan. High priority construction and maintenance projects in the plan are funded by dedicating 5¢ of the city's property tax that is put into a separate account and cannot be used for anything else.



Audubon Paving

Crews have completed installation of drainage improvements and street paving on Floral Parkway, Audubon Boulevard, Peachtree Avenue, 39th Street and Park Avenue. Learn more about this and other projects in the city's 5-Year Infrastructure Improvement Plan at www.wilmingtonnc.gov/5yearplan.



Pine Valley Paving and Drainage

A \$2.2 million infrastructure improvement project in the Pine Valley neighborhood has been completed. The project involved extensive drainage improvements and repaving 2.8 lane miles on portions of Semmes Drive, RL Honeycutt Drive and all of Donald E Gore Drive. The project was funded through the city's 5-year Infrastructure Improvement Plan.

www.wilmingtonnc.gov/5yearplan

Inland Greens

The 9-hole golf course at Inland Greens is slated to open early this summer. The clubhouse renovations are complete as well as park amenities, including bocce courts, a picnic shelter, bike racks and tree plantings. The \$3.2 million project has already seen extensive drainage improvements and installation of a .75-mile walking trail.

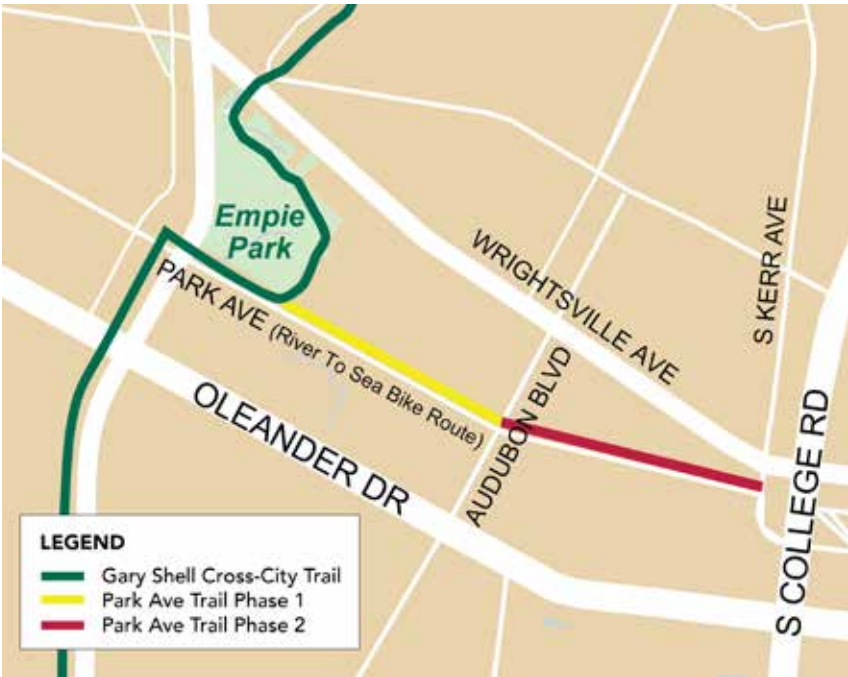




Love Grove Memorial Bridge

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The largest of the 2014 transportation bond projects, the Love Grove Memorial Bridge, is now complete. The \$5 million bridge crosses Burnt Mill Creek and connects the Love Grove neighborhood to One Tree Hill Way and 23rd Street. Previously, the only entrance to the Love Grove neighborhood was on 11th Street. A railroad crossing on 11th Street meant that the only entrance and exit to the neighborhood, before the new bridge, could be blocked by train traffic.




Park Avenue Trail

Construction of a half-mile multi-use path is underway along Park Avenue from Empie Park to Audubon Blvd. This new trail includes two bridges, one of which will connect over a drainage ditch to the Gary Shell Cross-City Trail in Empie Park. This project will be complete later this year. A second phase of this multi-use path is planned for late 2018 and will continue the multi-use path from Audubon Boulevard to Kerr Avenue.

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2014 Transportation Bond



South College Road Trail

COMING SOON

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Work is underway on a 1.3-mile multi-use path along the west side of South College Road from Holly Tree Road to 17th Street/Waltmoor Drive, where it will connect to a recently completed section of the Gary Shell Cross-City Trail, and will eventually connect to the planned Greenville Loop Trail.

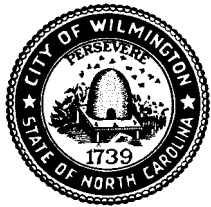
The trail will allow for safe walking/biking along this busy section of South College Road. It will also connect Pine Valley and other neighborhoods with churches and numerous businesses in the area. This project is funded by the voter-approved 2014 Transportation Bond.

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City Council meetings are generally held on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. For more information, see the city's web site at: wilmingtonnc.gov

City Council Meetings on GTV8

Council meetings are broadcast live on GTV8, the city channel on Spectrum Cable. Council meetings are replayed:

~ Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, the week of the Council meeting at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

GTV8 online

All GTV8 programming can be found on the city's website, live or on-demand. From the front page, simply click on "online videos." Then, select the program you want to watch.

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