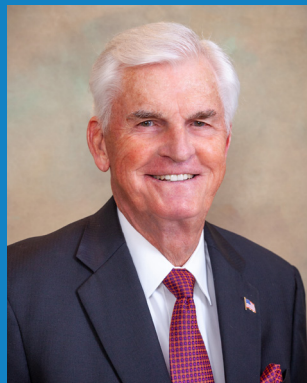


CITIZENS NEWSLETTER

October - December 2022

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Goldsboro City Council

Hello fellow Goldsboro residents,

I hope you are well and enjoying the cooler temperatures. This is a great time in the city of Goldsboro as we look forward to the holidays and all the fantastic annual events that are a tradition here. Downtown Lights Up is Nov. 22, and Jingle in the Park is Dec. 2 and 3 at Herman Park. As our city comes alive with the sights and sounds of the season, I urge all residents to get out and enjoy all we have to offer.

We are also gearing up for our 2023 Citizen's Academy, which will be held Jan. 12 through March 2. The Citizen's Academy is a great way to learn more about how city government operates and how you can get involved. I encourage residents to apply to participate in this class. You can visit the city website to apply by Oct. 31.

On Nov. 8, City Manager Tim Salmon and I will share updates about the city's progress during the Wayne County Chamber's annual State of the Community event. Visit waynecountychamber.com for more information.

We have much to be excited about in Goldsboro, particularly the recent growth. Developers have set their sights on our city, and they recognize what a great place this is to live, work and play. Several large housing developments have been approved recently. The current increase in residential development includes several factors. The most visible factor is the growing economic development in Wake and Johnston counties, which is resulting in increased housing costs in those counties. Higher home purchase and rental costs, combined with the increased cost of living, are causing people to look eastward into Goldsboro and Wayne County, where the related prices are lower.

Here in Goldsboro, we have a shortage of affordable housing for our existing residents. Developers are seeing this need

and are helping to fill it. The pandemic opened opportunities for workers to perform their jobs remotely, allowing individuals to live in less congested and cheaper areas. There is plenty of available land here, and it is cheaper to build on than in the areas to our west. Developers are also trying to get projects started with current interest rates locked in, anticipating additional rate hikes soon. And the continuing expansion of the interstate road network (I-795, I-42 and I-87) around and near Goldsboro provides quick and efficient commuting access to jobs or shopping in the larger cities. These and other conditions indicate significant growth for Goldsboro in the next five years. This growth will benefit our residents by creating more jobs and improving the quality of life. As a provider of the infrastructure for this residential and industrial growth, we are proactively planning to support it.

As everyone knows, schools are back in session and kids are everywhere, so I ask all our citizens to drive with caution around our school zones. Please don't forget that all our schools can use mentors and your involvement and encouragement could be the one difference in a child's life that helps them make the right choices and be successful in life.

This year marks Goldsboro's 175th anniversary. We have come so far from our beginnings as a railroad town. We hope you will celebrate with us from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 19 at the Goldsboro Event Center.

I hope each of you have a great holiday season, stay safe and as always, please do whatever you can to help your neighbors who might be in need.

CITY OF GOLDSBORO

175th Anniversary Celebration

HONORING THE PAST.
PLANNING THE FUTURE.

11 A.M. – 2 P.M.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19
GOLDSBORO EVENT CENTER
1501 S. SLOCUMB STREET

This event is free and open to the public.



City Accepting Applications for 2023 Citizen's Academy



Graduates of the 2022 Citizen's Academy.

The City of Goldsboro is accepting applications for its 2023 Citizen's Academy, which will be held Jan. 12 through March 2, 2023. The application deadline is Monday, Oct. 31.

The Citizen's Academy was established to create opportunities for residents to participate and learn more about the operation of city government. This program serves as an excellent primer for residents interested in serving on City boards and commissions or as an elected official.

The seven-week course features presentations from each City department. Sessions will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Thursdays. The final session will be a graduation ceremony.

Applications are available online at goldsboronc.gov or at City Hall, 200 N. Center St. Completed applications must be received and/or postmarked by Monday, Oct. 31.

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS*

Nov. 7 | Nov. 21 | Dec. 5 | Dec. 19

Council meets at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

*Subject to change with public notice.

UPCOMING SANITATION CHANGES

Veterans Day | Nov. 11

Friday routes will be serviced Wednesday, Nov. 9.

Thanksgiving | Nov. 25-26

Thursday and Friday routes
will be serviced Wednesday, Nov. 23.

Christmas | Dec. 23-27

Friday, Dec. 23, route will be serviced Wednesday, Dec. 21.
Monday, Dec. 26, will be serviced Wednesday, Dec. 28.
Tuesday, Dec. 27, will be serviced Thursday, Dec. 29.

New Year's Day | Dec. 31

Thursday, Dec. 29, will be serviced Friday, Dec. 30.
Friday, Dec. 30, will be serviced Saturday, Dec. 31.

No leaf & limb pickup Thanksgiving and Christmas Week.
No bulk pickup during holiday weeks.



DO NOT LITTER
PUT TRASH IN ITS PLACE.

Keeping our city clean is everyone's responsibility and it takes everyone's help. Do your part by making a personal choice to put trash in its proper place and encouraging others to do the same.



ATTENTION GOLDSBORO RESIDENTS:

BECOME INVOLVED IN CITY GOVERNMENT

Apply to serve on a board or commission.

The City of Goldsboro is seeking applications from residents interested in serving on advisory boards and commissions. These boards and commissions give residents an opportunity to become actively involved in their community by providing recommendations to the City Council.

The following boards and commissions currently have vacancies or will have vacancies by the end of the year: Historic District Commission; Goldsboro Planning Commission; Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities; Commission on Community Relations and Development; and Goldsboro Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission.

Goldsboro residents who wish to be considered for appointment to any of our boards and commissions must submit a completed application to the City Manager's Office no later than Nov. 4. To access an application, or for a listing of all city boards and commissions, visit www.goldsboronc.gov. Application forms are also available at City Hall, 200 N. Center St. For more information, call 919-580-4330.

Neuse Named River of the Year

American Rivers has named the Neuse River the River of the Year for 2022.

"The River of the Year honor celebrates outstanding progress toward a cleaner, healthier Neuse River that is vital to every person who lives in this region," said Tom Kiernan, President of American Rivers. "We applaud the frontline communities and partners who speak up for the river every day and continue to push for solutions. This river is a success story that we must keep writing together."



American Rivers hosted a celebration this morning at Old Waynesborough Park. Michael Regan, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency administrator and a Goldsboro native, joined other leaders, including Congressman G.K. Butterfield and Rep. John Bell in commemorating this accomplishment.

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(919) 583-8432

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- Door Prizes and Giveaways
- First 100 Through the Door Receive Prop Bags
- Audience-Decided Costume Contest
- Paramount Concessions, including beer and wine, are sold in the lobby and welcomed in the theatre!

GOLDSBORO COMPOST



The City of Goldsboro sells compost and mulch to ALL customers, both wholesale and retail. Goldsboro Compost is produced from municipal biosolids and yard trimmings. This compost is great for amending depleted soils, enriching planting mixes, and enhancing the growth of turf and ornamental plants, as well as food crops.

You can purchase mulch and compost from our Compost Facility at 200 Westbrook Road, Goldsboro. Call 919-735-0110 for current pricing.

Yard and Bulk Waste Service Reminders

Leaves:

- Make sure to rake leaves into a pile at the curb no later than the night before the scheduled recycle day.



- Due to heavier volumes during leaf season, there may be possible delays to the normal schedules.

Bulk Waste:

- Bulk waste pick up service is provided to residential customers with active water accounts and is a FREE service.
- Bulk waste pick up is limited to no more than six items per pick up address.
- Residents must call ahead to schedule a pick up prior to the pickup day.
- Bulk waste pick up is provided weekly on Wednesdays unless it is a holiday week. Bulk waste will not be collected during the week of a holiday.

For more information, visit www.goldsboronc.gov/public-works or call 919-734-8674.

Got a question about City services?

Ask our chatbot.

Text 919-580-4299 or visit goldsboronc.gov and click the speech bubbles at the bottom of the page.



CITYWIDE TRICK OR TREAT HOURS

6-8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31



UPCOMING EVENTS

DOWNTOWN GOLDSBORO

dgdc.org | 919-735-4959

Fall Outdoor Movie Series — 6:30 p.m., Oct. 28, Nov. 11; The HUB

Trick or Treat Downtown — 3-5 p.m., Oct. 29

Veterans Day Parade — 11 a.m., Nov. 11

Downtown Lights Up — 5-8 p.m., Nov. 22

Goldsboro Christmas Parade — 4 p.m. Dec. 3

PARAMOUNT THEATRE

goldsboroparamount.com | 919-583-8432

Joshua Lozoff — 7:30 p.m., Oct. 28

“The Rocky Horror Picture Show” — 9 p.m., Oct. 29

Miss Goldsboro 2022 — 6:30 p.m., Nov. 5

Stephen Freeman — 3 p.m., Nov. 6

Roald Dahl’s Matilda the Musical — Nov. 12-20

North Carolina Symphony’s Holiday Pops Concert — 8 p.m., Nov. 22

The Nutcracker Ballet — Dec. 2-4

A Christmas Carol — Dec. 9-11

Child of the Promise — Dec. 16-18

A Carolina Sound Christmas — 7:30 p.m., Dec. 21

The Embers — 7:30 p.m., Dec. 21

“It’s a Wonderful Life” — 7 p.m., Dec. 22

PARKS AND RECREATION

goldsboroparksandrec.com | 919-739-7480

Jingle in the Park — 4-8 p.m., Dec. 2-3; Herman Park

TRAVEL & TOURISM

visitgoldsboronc.com | 919-734-7922

Goldsborough Bridge Battlefield Ghost Tour — Oct. 22, Oct. 29

Downtown Ghost Tour — Oct. 21, Oct. 28, Nov. 4