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Fall Edition 2024

TOWN MANAGER HIGHLIGHTS

Greetings,

Welcome to the fall edition of the Town of Clayton newsletter. Inside, you will find information about upcoming events and closures.



This edition of the newsletter includes vital updates on the Strategic Plan recently approved by Town Council.

It also describes construction progress at Clayton Community Park, third in a three-part plan to expand Parks and Recreation Facilities.

Lastly, this edition provides information about loose leaf pickup procedures, the Clayton Outage & Messaging System (COMS) and the new Development Services Manager for the Community Development team.

Best Regards,

*Rich Cappola
Town Manager*

TOWN HOLIDAY CLOSURES

November 11: Veterans Day
November 28-29 Thanksgiving
December 24-26 Christmas

All Town facilities will be closed.

IMPORTANT BILLING NOTICE

The Utilities Billing Address has changed.

All mailed payments should now be sent to:

P.O. Box 96758

Charlotte, NC 28296-6758

CLAYTON OUTAGE & MESSAGING SYSTEM (COMS)

We are committed to keeping our community safe and informed, which is why we are pleased to announce the launch of Clayton Outage & Messaging System (COMS).

As of May 6, COMS began providing timely alerts regarding outages, boil water advisories, and service restoration estimates. COMS is also ready to alert the public in case of an active shooter threat or other any other threat to public safety.

COMS makes reporting outages and issues easier than ever. Customers can contact our support staff directly by phone or text (919-553-1530), or using our online outage form at ClaytonNC.org/COMS.

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STRATEGIC PLANNING

Over the past year, Town Leadership engaged in a comprehensive strategic planning process that involved in-depth discussions with community members, stakeholders, and dedicated town staff. Through this process, the Town identified the key focus areas below to guide efforts in the coming years.

The Strategic Plan is designed to enhance the delivery of services, address our fiduciary responsibilities, and improve the quality of life for all Clayton residents.

Read more about the strategic planning process and the Town's new strategic goals.



Town of Clayton

Our Values:
Responsibility
Community Commitment
Respect



Vibrant Downtown



Desirable Amenities and Spaces



Sustainable Infrastructure Investment



Mobility, Transportation, and Transit



Diversified Economic Development



Community Outreach and Engagement

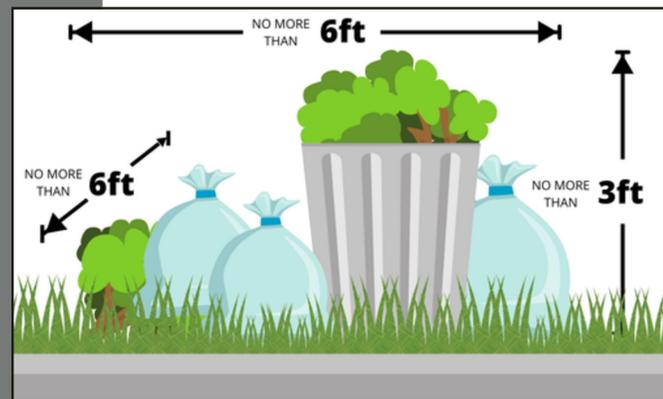


Public Safety

LOOSE LEAF PICKUP

Loose leaves are picked up the business day following regular trash pickup day. During peak season, leaf pickup services may be delayed.

- All yard waste piles must be no larger than 6'L x 6'W x 3'H. Break larger piles into smaller ones to be picked up separately.
- Larger tree limbs must be cut in 2-foot lengths or less with no piece weighing over 40 pounds.
- Commercial tree cutting work is not eligible for pick up. The company doing the work must remove this type of debris.



Hurricane Preparedness



Before the Storm

- Prepare food, first aid and clothing
- Move furniture inside
- Keep your phone charged

During the Storm

- Turn off and unplug electrical equipment
- Stay indoors in an interior room away from windows
- Listen to the weather station for updates

After the Storm

- Watch for and stay away from downed power lines
- Check for electrical damage in your home like frayed wire, sparks or a burning smell
- Don't connect your generator directly to your home's electrical system. It is dangerous for you, your neighbors and utility workers.

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2024 SPECIAL EVENTS AND SHOWS

October 4th - Family Movie Night 🌳

October 12th - Masters of Soul 💰

The Clayton Center

October 24th-27th - Harvest Festival

By the Clayton Chamber of Commerce

October 25th - Boo Bash 🌳

October 31st - Downtown Trick-or-Treat

November 1st-2nd - Book Sale

November 4th - Veterans Day Ceremony

November 8th - Deana Carter 💰

The Clayton Center

November 15th - Comedian Tom Cotter 💰

The Clayton Center

**November 17th - Scott Mason: Journeys
from the Tar Heel Traveler** 💰

The Clayton Center

December 5th - Christmas Tree Lighting

December 7th - Elf Academy 🌳

Clayton Community Center

**December 13th - The Motown Sound of
Christmas** 💰

The Clayton Center

December 14th - Clayton Christmas Parade

By the Clayton Rotary Club

December 17th - Pam Tillis Belles & Bows 💰

The Clayton Center

December 19th - Merry Municipal

💰 There is a charge for this event.

🌳 Parks & Recreation Event

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES MANAGER

The Community Development Team welcomes Alicia Thomas to the role of Development Services Manager. Alicia holds a bachelor's degree in Legal Studies and a master's in Public Administration from the University of Central Florida. With close to 10 years of experience in local government, particularly in planning and development services, she is excited to join the team and looks forward to contributing to the growth and success of the Town.



CLAYTON COMMUNITY PARK

Improvements are underway at Clayton Community Park, the final phase in a three-part plan to expand Parks and Recreation Facilities. Asphalt for the new pickleball and tennis courts have been installed, and the playground area is almost fully graded and ready for equipment.

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