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Morrisville Lately



Top row, left to right: Members of TeenFit celebrate the end of summer with a bowling party; Morrisville Police gather donations from the community for Hurricane Florence victims; Fire/Rescue Department staff and members of the community participate in the 9/11 Memorial 5K

Bottom row, left to right: Fire Prevention Day activities are held in September; the East Meets West festival is held at Park West Village; Teen Morrisville 101 participants take part in hands on activities during their class

S'Morrisville Fun!

Residents enjoy field games at the S'Morrisville event on August 10.



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Morrisville CONNECTION

Fall 2018

Morrisville Aquatics & Fitness Center Renovation Moves Forward; Closure Date Announced

The renovation of the Morrisville Aquatics & Fitness Center (MAFC) will significantly upgrade and improve some amenities in the facility and create greater capacity for participation. In 2012, a parks and recreation improvements bond referendum was included on the ballot. The MAFC renovation was one of the projects illustrated as improvements that could be supported through that bond. Voters' approval for the bond was 74%. Since that time, Council has considered options and considered two feasibility studies and pre-design concepts. In August 2017, Council selected a design concept and the project moved forward to full design. Design was completed in the summer of 2018, and bids were advertised. Based on bids received, construction costs will be approximately \$7 million.

The building is projected to close for construction starting at the end of the day on Friday, November 16, anticipating contract authorization by Town Council. Construction is expected to take roughly a year to complete, with the facility reopening late 2019.

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MAFC Project Overview

- Demolish the existing pools, basketball court, tennis courts and driveway.
- A new year-round natatorium will be constructed with a retractable roof to allow for open-air use in the warmer months. A new locker room building will be built between the existing building and the natatorium.
- Two new pools will be constructed, including a 6-lane lap pool. Additionally, a two-segment play pool will be constructed. It will include a beach style entry and play features, as well as a 3½' deep recreation pool.
- Additional parking will be included in the project, as well as a relocated driveway intended to give users a safer entrance and exit from the facility.
- The existing locker rooms will be demolished, and the weight room will be moved downstairs to allow for a larger workout area.
- The group fitness studio will be expanded into the existing weight room.
- Two new tennis courts will be constructed to address the foundation issues that exist with the current courts.

Updates from the Public Works Department

Bulk Item Pickup

The Public Works Department sponsors a bulk item pick-up twice each year, once in the fall and once in the spring. This service is free to all Morrisville residents currently receiving curbside residential solid waste services.

The Town's 2018 Fall bulk item pick-up is set for October 29 through November 2, 2018.

During that special designated week, residents receiving residential curbside solid waste services may leave a total of five acceptable bulk items curbside on their regular trash/recycling curbside pick-up day. All bulk items presented for pick-up must be curbside and ready for pick-up no later than 7:00 a.m. Please visit www.townofmorrisville.org/bulk for an updated lists of acceptable and unacceptable bulk items.

Solid Waste Schedule Changes Due to Holidays

Please be aware of the following solid waste schedule changes due to the holidays:

There will be no solid waste pickup on Thursday, November 22. Thursday routes will be picked up on Friday, and Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday. There will be no solid waste pickup on Tuesday, December 25. Routes will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week. There will be no solid waste pickup on Tuesday, January 1. Routes will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 919-463-7070.

Morrisville AAA Ratings Reaffirmed From Bond Agencies – Key Projects Advance

The Town of Morrisville has maintained AAA credit rating status, the highest bond ratings an organization can earn from all three major national bond rating agencies following meetings with Moody's, Fitch and Standard and Poor's. This signifies a stable outlook and a strong embedded financial framework for future sustainability, allowing the Town to borrow money at lower interest rates for essential community projects.

The ratings are associated with the issuance of \$10,745,000 in general obligation bonds combined with \$3,100,000 in installment financing planned for an October issuance. This is related to street improvements for the Town's portion of construction costs for Phase II of the NCDOT McCrimmon Parkway Extension and construction of Morrisville Carpenter Road Improvements in addition to renovations for Morrisville Aquatics and Fitness Center (MAFC).

This accomplishment is a significant milestone for the Town and allows the advancement for several important projects that will improve the quality of life for those in and around Morrisville. The MAFC renovation project includes a new pool with glass enclosure, tennis courts, improved facility parking and access and some key facility modifications, and is expected to break ground in late 2018. NCDOT is actively working on Phase II of the McCrimmon Parkway Extension, which is scheduled for completion in 2020. Staff is finalizing design on the Morrisville Carpenter Road Improvement project and is expected to begin construction in late 2018. Residents can see their tax dollars at work with all three projects.

According to Moody's, the affirmation of the Town's AAA rating reflects the Town's capacity for continued strong financial performance and stability in the local economy. Fitch highlighted the Town's superior inherent budget flexibility and control over revenues and spending capacity combined with strong reserves that position Morrisville well to effectively manage through economic downturns. Standard and Poor's considers Morrisville highly capable to maintain better credit characteristics than the nation during economic stresses.

"We were confident in the strength that our financial management and local economy would support the reaffirmation of our AAA credit ratings. This illustrates the dedication to operational excellence that allows Morrisville the means to execute key projects that make a difference for our community," said Town Manager Martha Paige.

Installing a Shed? Know the Rules!

What do I need to know if I want to put a shed in my backyard? There are two things you will need to identify when looking to put a shed in your backyard. First, determine what size shed you would like to install. A building permit is required if any shed dimension exceeds 12' (length, width or height). Next, determine where on your property you want to place the shed. The Town of Morrisville has requirements that can impact shed locations.

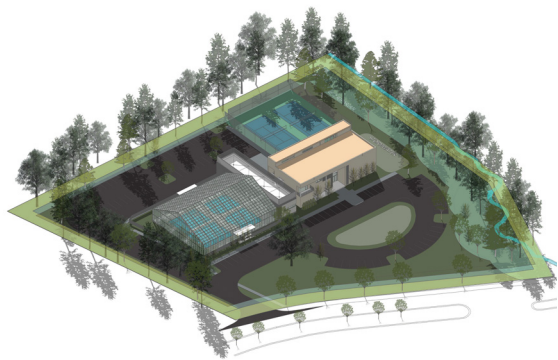
After you have determined size and location, contact the Planning Department at 919-463-6210 to confirm it can be installed. If a building permit is required based on the dimensions, contact the Inspections Department at 919-463-6190. Staff is happy to assist you in navigating the process for installing a shed.

MAFC Renovation Moves Forward

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While the renovation will interrupt service during construction, staff has identified the Historic Christian Church and Silverton pool as locations to offer some programming. Remaining programming and services will be suspended during the facility closure due to a lack of appropriate space for more intense activities and equipment.

Information regarding available programs, pricing and locations will be on the website at www.townofmorrisville.org/parksandrec.



Check out our Senior Programs!

Are you a senior looking to get involved in programs, day trips, arts and crafts, seminars, and make some new friends? Check out everything Cedar Fork Community Center has to offer!

From our website at www.townofmorrisville.org, click on "Recreation" at the top of the page, then "Cedar Fork Community Center" on the left side of the screen. There is a Google calendar you can bookmark that lists everything we offer! You can also give us a call at 919-463-7100 to speak with staff about our programs. We have something for everybody!



Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Administrative Office has Relocated

The Town is growing and so are we! The Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Administrative Office has relocated to Southport Building 7, located at 991 Aviation Parkway, Suite 400. We're offering the same great service in our new location!

Office hours are as follows: Monday – Thursday, 7:30 am – 5 pm; Friday, 7:30 am – 12 pm. Be sure to visit the website at www.townofmorrisville.org/parksandrec or call 919-463-7110 for more information on our Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Department.

GREEN DAY 2018

Saturday, November 3 at
Town Hall (100 Town Hall Drive)



LITTER SWEEP

CALL 919-463-7070
TO GET INVOLVED

9AM-12PM
Meet in the parking lot of Town Hall and join with friends and neighbors to gather litter from sidewalks, roads, and parks.

SUPPLIES PROVIDED



RECYCLING & SHREDDING

If it has a cord, it can be recycled.



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING



DRIVE THRU 10AM-2PM



COOKING OIL RECYCLING

Oil must be free of food particles and needs to be in a container with a screw lid.

SHREDDING

Individuals and small businesses can have confidential documents destroyed on-site.



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www.TownOfMorrisville.org/GreenDay

Morrisville Earns 2018 Voice of the People Award

National Research Center, Inc. (NRC) has announced Morrisville, NC Winner of the Voice of the People Award for Transformation in Community Engagement. This award is only given to top performing jurisdictions that best listen and act for the benefit of their communities. Based on responses from The National Citizen Survey™ (The NCS™), residents in our community reported the highest levels of improvement for this category compared with all other participating jurisdictions. Morrisville received the award at the 104th Annual ICMA conference in Baltimore, Maryland on September 24.

The National Citizen Survey reports resident opinion and satisfaction with local government and services with a scientific, representative sample approach. Results are then used to inform budgeting, performance measurement and program planning.

The Voice of the People (VOP) Awards stand alone as the only award given in local government based on community opinion. The perspectives of the residents themselves determine nominees for the very best of Community Engagement, Safety, Mobility, Foundations of Livability, Recreation and Wellness, Education and Enrichment, Natural Environment, Built Environment and Economy. Of the communities that participated in The National Citizen Survey in 2017, winners and finalists for Transformation in these categories showed the greatest improvement in resident opinions from their last conducted iteration of the survey.

“Our informed and engaged citizens know what it takes to transform Morrisville into the best small town in America,” said Morrisville Mayor TJ Cawley. “We will continue to be intentional about listening to them and implementing their ideas so everyone in the greater Morrisville region will Live Connected, Live Well.”



Yard Waste Reminder

Fall is peak yard waste season in Morrisville! Yard Waste must be handled correctly to ensure pick-up. Do not place yard waste in your garbage can. Bundle or bag yard waste as required and neatly place it at the curb.

Waste Industries will allow the use of a reusable container, however each resident must adhere to the following or the container will not be collected:

- Containers must be 35 gallon or smaller
- Containers will not exceed 50 pounds in weight
- Containers will be limited to 5 or less*
- Uncapped containers must have the ability to drain water
- If there is any trash in the container, it will not be collected

*As always, when you have excess yard waste, please call Public Works at 919-463-7070 to ensure collection.

Be advised that neither the Town of Morrisville nor Waste Industries will be liable for damaged or broken personal containers.

If you have a large amount of yard waste that you have bagged yourself, call Public Works at 919-463-7070 or alert Waste Industries directly (Phone: 919-596-1363) as soon as possible. Waste Industries can then assess space availability on the truck for your route. Bundles and bags shall not exceed 20 in total per pick-up.

Remember that this is a residential service for Town residents who receive curbside solid waste services from the Town's contractor - Waste Industries. If landscapers do yard work at your home, they are responsible for hauling away the yard waste generated.

Please contact the Public Works Department with questions at 919-463-7070 or visit www.townofmorrisville.org/yardwaste for more information!

Crabtree Creek Greenway Bridge Work Underway

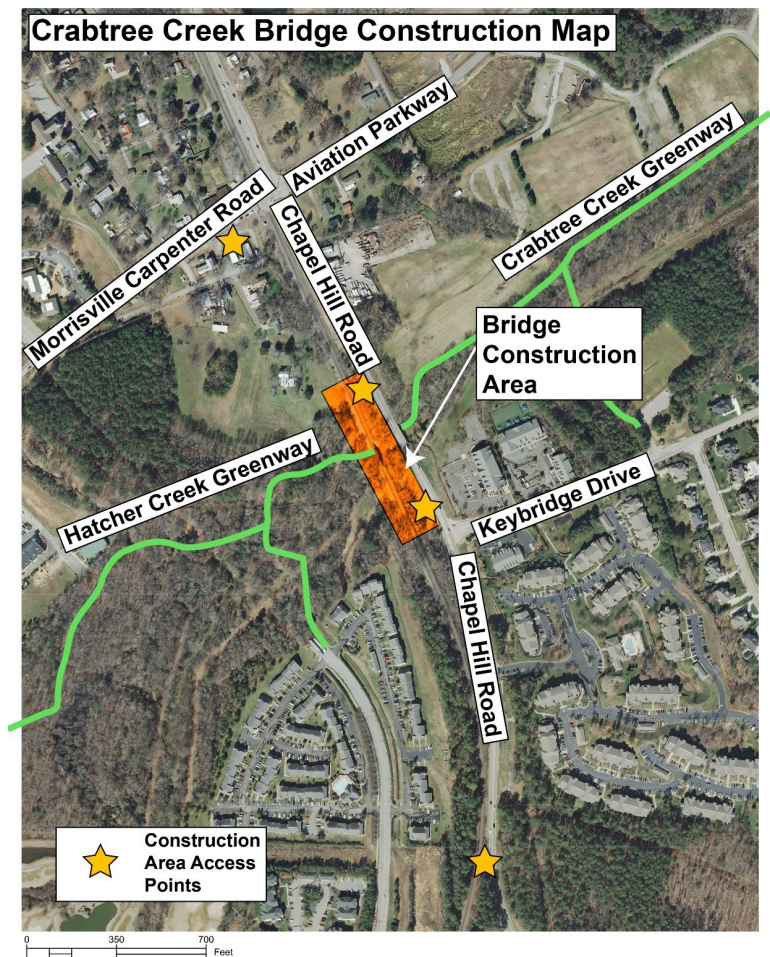
The Crabtree Creek Greenway extends along Crabtree Creek for roughly 1.4 miles from Cedar Fork District Park to Evans Road, tying into Cary's greenway system to the east and providing access to Lake Crabtree and Umstead State Park. Construction on a bridge that will connect to Hatcher Creek Greenway under Chapel Hill Road began in October, with completion scheduled for spring 2020.

During construction, NC54 could experience intermittent lane closures during non-peak hours. Morrisville Carpenter Road may also experience intermittent construction traffic, but lane closures are not anticipated.

The North Carolina Railroad (NCR) announced the partnership with the Town of Morrisville in 2015 and will invest \$9.9 million to construct a new railroad bridge over Crabtree Creek in Morrisville, replacing a structure built in 1927.

The new railroad bridge includes a provision for a pedestrian greenway to be constructed under the bridge, and allows for a future second track that could be required to maintain freight service, and any future passenger rail. The replacement will also lower maintenance costs.

For more information, visit <http://www.townofmorrisville.org/government/departments-services/parks-recreation-cultural-resources/parks-and-greenways/crabtree-creek-greenway>.



Cricket Tournament Success!

The International Cricket Council (ICC) held the 2018 ICC Americas Sub Regional T20 World Cup Qualifier in Morrisville in September. This tournament is in line with the ICC global strategy for international regional competition. Concluding the tournament results, the top 2 countries will progress to the next round of World Cup Qualifiers. The participating countries for the tournament were the national men's team of Belize, Canada, Panama and the USA. The official venue for the tournament were the cricket facilities at Church Street Park, located at 5800 Cricket Pitch Way in Morrisville. The Morrisville Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Department worked with the Triangle Cricket League for several months to secure this event for Morrisville. Thousands of people attended the matches, which were held September 19-26.

"We are thrilled to have hosted this qualifier in Morrisville and have enjoyed working with the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources Department to make this happen," said Triangle Cricket League President Jana Chellaperumal. "This is a major accomplishment for our region, and exciting news for our local cricket players."

