

Reconnect Morrisville

The Town of Morrisville is constantly updating its plan to minimize the spread of the virus.

For COVID-19 updates visit the Town's website.



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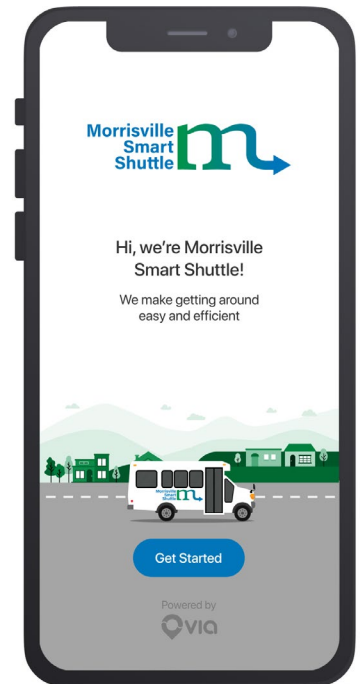
Morrisville Smart Shuttle Connects Morrisville

The Morrisville Smart Shuttle, the Town's newest public transit service, will be launching on Saturday, October 2!

What makes Morrisville's Smart Shuttle so smart? Riders will utilize the Smart Shuttle application on their smartphone to request a pick-up or drop-off from one of 15 nodes, or stops, located around the Town. Riders will be able to track the bus through the mobile application.

This free shuttle service connecting Morrisville will be operated by GoCary, the public transportation provider in Cary, and use the Via Transportation platform for requesting rides.

For details, frequently asked questions, and updates on the Morrisville Smart Shuttle service, visit TownofMorrisville.org/SmartShuttle.



Fall Renovations Reminder

If you are getting ready to renovate, remodel or add an addition to your home contact the Morrisville Inspections Department to assist you with the building permit process. A required permit should be obtained before the start of any work. For building permit questions, please call 919.463.6190 or visit TownofMorrisville.org/Inspections.

Fall 2021 Morrisville Election Day Information

Four seats on Morrisville's Town Council will reach their term expiration in December 2021, and therefore, those seats will be eligible to be filled, either by the current Council Member if applicable, or by an opposing candidate. Elections are impartially conducted by the Wake County Board of Elections (Wake BOE) and Durham County Board of Elections for those Morrisville residents residing within Durham County. Candidates for election are listed in the right column in alphabetical order by district with (I) signifying an incumbent.

When to Vote

Election Day is Tuesday, November 2, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. that evening. Check your voter registration card or the Wake BOE website for your specific polling location, early voting, or absentee by mail voting information.

On the Ballot

Remember that Morrisville voters have the authority to vote for and elect every member of the Council, not only their district representative. When you vote, you will select four candidates, one for each of the four seats available. Morrisville voters will also be presented three bond referendum ballot questions. The categories include Public Safety; Streets, Sidewalks, and Connectivity; and Parks, Recreation, and Amenities.

For full election information, please visit www.wakegov.com/elections or call 919-404-4040.

Candidates for Election

Mayor

TJ Cawley (I)
103 Trellingwood Drive
(919) 539-9683

Liz Johnson (I, District 3)
104 Delafield Court
(919) 434-4360

At-Large

Steve S. Rao (I)
128 Gratiot Drive
(919) 434-5996

James (Jim) Semmens
1136 Survada Lane
(910) 545-0768

District 2

Donna L. Fender (I)
1500 Hemby Ridge Lane
(919) 348-1237

District 4

Patty Wei-Pei Cheng
304 Millet Drive
(919) 439-3938

Vicki Scroggins-Johnson (I)
104 Old Savannah Drive
(919) 460-7802



Make a splash at the Morrisville Aquatics and Fitness Center this fall!

The fitness center is equipped with a cardio deck, an aerobic exercise room, and a weight room, all meticulously kept and outfitted with new, top-of-the-line equipment. We also maintain a robust calendar of group fitness classes for those who prefer to work out amongst a coach and their peers. Our pool consists of three distinct aquatic areas: a six-lane, 25-yard lap pool, a 3.5-foot-deep program pool, and a zero-depth entry pool with a play structure. Check out our pool schedule and our hours online at TownofMorrisville.org/mafc to plan your visit – we look forward to meeting you!

Both the fitness and aquatics amenities are open for walk-ins and can be enjoyed by purchasing a cost-effective membership or a convenient day pass. For registration information and up-to-date details on all programming visit TownofMorrisville.org/mafc.



Registered voters will have the opportunity to voice their opinions on each of the three bond initiatives individually, including Public Safety; Parks, Recreation, and Amenities; and Streets, Sidewalks, and Connectivity improvements.

2021 Bond Referendum is Official!

Three Ballot Questions Set for November 2

November 2, Morrisville voters will decide if Town officials will be authorized to issue general obligation bonds totaling up to \$37 million to finance important capital projects that will impact the future of the growing Morrisville community for years to come. The three questions on the ballot focus on leveraging an additional three cents in the tax rate to invest in public safety; future parks, recreation, and amenities; and streets, sidewalks, and connectivity improvements.

Help Shape Morrisville's Future Together

- Get out and vote on Tuesday, November 2
- Check out the fall 2021 Morrisville election day information within this issue
- Voters will consider the three ballot questions separately
- Stay connected and get the facts by visiting the Town's website at TownofMorrisville.org/MSVBOND2021
- Invite a Town representative to share information at a community meeting or other event by contacting Wil Glenn, Communications Director at wglenn@townofmorrisville.org or call 919-463-6152

Public Safety

Bond Amount: \$8,000,000

Our goal is to improve public facilities and provide a safe and secure community through prevention, education, readiness, and responsiveness.

Potential Projects:

- Harris Mill Road Fire Station
- Land Acquisition Reimbursement

Parks, Recreation & Amenities

Bond Amount: \$17,300,000

Our goal is to improve and expand existing parks and recreational facilities, acquire and construct new parks, and preserve open space/tree canopy.

Potential Projects:

- Crabtree Creek Nature Park
- Morrisville Community Park Phase III
- Future Parks/Open Space Land Acquisition
- Other Enhancements

Streets, Sidewalks & Connectivity

Bond Amount: \$11,700,000

Our goal is to improve pedestrian and transportation-related infrastructure that improves traffic flow and connectivity.

Potential Projects:

- Airport Boulevard Extension Phase 1
- Sidewalk & Greenway Connectivity Enhancements
- Traffic Congestion Improvements



All-America City Award was presented at the Morrisville July 3 Family Fun Festival

Morrisville Receives 2021 All-America City Award

On June 9, 2021, the Town of Morrisville was recognized as one of 10 All-America City award winners for 2021. The National Civic League presented this honor to recognize Morrisville's work in inclusive civic engagement to build equity and resilience and create stronger connections among residents, businesses, and nonprofit and government leaders.

Town staff submitted its community-wide work on building equity and resilience and three projects for consideration, and was selected as one of 20 finalists. On July 7-9, finalist communities made presentations virtually to a jury of eleven national thought-leaders, showing how their community leverages civic engagement, collaboration, inclusiveness, and innovation to successfully address local issues.

"We are happy to designate Morrisville as an All-America City. They showed us through their application and presentation that they do a great job of engaging the entire community to build equity and resilience," said National Civic League President Doug Linkhart.

Morrisville brought staff and community partners together to win this prestigious honor for the Town. Many thanks are in order for Wake County Health and Human Services, Western Wake Farmers' Market, Morrisville Community Garden, Triangle Cricket League, Morrisville Cardinals cricket team, and the Morrisville Chamber of Commerce.

Visit the link below to learn more about the All-America City Award.

TownofMorrisville.org/government/all-america-city

Annual Student Art Poster Contest Accepting Entries

Morrisville's public and private school children and members of youth organizations are invited to showcase their artistic talent and their environmental commitment by participating in the Morrisville Environment and Stormwater Committee's (MESC) 16th Annual Morrisville Student Art Poster Contest. The overall winner will have a banner created from their poster which will be prominently displayed along Town Hall Drive. A certificate and letter from the mayor will also be awarded for the first, second, and third-place winners in each grade. The eligible grade groups are kindergarten and all students in grades 1-5 who are residents of Morrisville or who attend a school or organization within the Town of Morrisville. For additional details visit the link below.

TownofMorrisville.org/postercontest



*2020 Poster Contest Winner
Daelyn R. from Cedar Fork Elementary*



Airport Boulevard typical section

Airport Boulevard Extension Phase I Project

The NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) continues work on the Airport Boulevard Extension Phase I project, with anticipated funding by the Town, G.O. Bonds, and federal transportation funds. The project will extend Airport Boulevard from Garden Square Lane, west of Town Hall Drive, to Church Street.

The NCDOT is currently continuing preliminary engineering on the project. Right-of-way acquisition is expected to begin between late 2021 and early 2022. Construction on the project is expected to begin in late 2022, early 2023. A public meeting was held for the project in April 2021, and NCDOT has posted a meeting summary and response to comments received at the meeting on the project website, available by visiting the link below.

The Town staff is continuing to work with NCDOT to address resident questions from the public meeting. Updates about the project will be available on the Town's website and through other communications.

[PublicInput.com/airport-blvd-extension](https://publicinput.com/airport-blvd-extension)

Updated Connect Morrisville Strategic Plan

At its July 13, 2021 meeting, Town Council unanimously approved the updated Connect Morrisville Strategic Plan for 2021-2024. Over the previous nine months (and a total of six and a half meeting hours with Town Council and department heads), the Morrisville community, staff, and elected officials collaborated to develop this thorough and comprehensive plan update. It was important to take time to review and discuss each element, to deliver an updated plan reflective of current community and organizational needs, as well as future aspirations.

Our mission, vision, four core values, and six goals remain the same. We were able to streamline and organize the plan to 17 objectives, 17 initiatives, and 20 outcome measures – a reduction of nearly half these elements from our original plan in 2018. Staff developed a comprehensive plan document, featuring a narrative of our plan development and update processes, a reference section providing further detail to the corresponding noted element, and a glossary of terms featured within the plan and frequently used in government to better inform our readers. A color scheme and graphic were assigned to each goal and can be referenced throughout. A one-page version of the plan was also designed to further showcase the linear alignment (objectives > initiatives > outcome measures) and provides all pertinent plan information in one location. To view and access the updated plan visit the link below.

[TownofMorrisville.org/StrategicPlan](https://townofmorrisville.org/StrategicPlan)

Morrisville's Master Sustainability Plan

The Master Sustainability Plan is currently in development and will become the roadmap for the objectives and goals of the program.

The Town is seeking feedback from all members of our Morrisville community to understand the priorities and interests in our primary topic areas including: energy/water, waste & recycling, natural environment, built environment, and transportation.

This six-question survey should take less than five minutes to complete and will be anonymous. If you choose to provide your contact information, you will be entered into a drawing for a sustainably minded gift. If you have an interest in participating in a facilitated focus group, please email sustainability@townofmorrisville.org.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F6ZQVYM>

Neighborhood Spotlight - Kitts Creek

For our Neighborhood Spotlight, we catch up with the HOA president and HOA vice president of the Kitts Creek community to talk about their community activity.

Share a few programs the community has been a part of in collaboration with the Town of Morrisville.

We always join the National Night Out event in collaboration with the Morrisville Police Department and work to add something to it to attract neighbors. In 2019 (pre-pandemic) we had ice cream to hand out on a hot evening to encourage participation and made sure to highlight our support of our police. For Earth Day, we have done the trash clean-up using tools the Town has supplied. Our community has worked with the Morrisville Police Department and public safety to address parking and speeding concerns. We have also held resident information sessions (pre-pandemic) with Morrisville Fire and Police departments to learn about safety and security best practices for our neighborhood.

What are a few things that the Kitts Creek Community is currently engaged in and excited about?

We are working on keeping our community as close and safe as possible during the pandemic by being creative about new outside events. In September, October, and November, we are piloting a Kitts Creek Farmer's Market where neighbors can showcase their businesses and makers can sell items. With the pool season ending, we will be adding a permanent corn hole game and hopefully an outdoor ping pong table to our historic green for community fun. We started our first Kitts Creek Food Truck Rodeo and it was so successful the vendors ran out! Halloween is epic in Kitts Creek! Every year the decorations have leveled up and we cannot wait to see what our neighborhood does this year! The HOA holds an event for the kids that includes a parade around our central complex and it seems that everyone is out and mingling on Halloween evening!



"Where Community Comes First" is the Kitts Creek community motto

Smart City Dashboard

As the Town moves forward with the Smart Morrisville initiatives, the Smart City Dashboard (<http://smartmorrisville.townofmorrisville.org>) has been launched!

The dashboard is focused on providing citizens with updated information about Town amenities, utilizing different types of sensors, and automating several Town processes. The dashboard currently has the field status at Cedar Fork District Park and the status of the Morrisville Aquatics & Fitness Center (MAFC) tennis courts.

The Smart City Dashboard will act as the information hub for all Smart Morrisville projects as they are added.

Sensors installed on the courts at MAFC determine if a court is occupied and sends that information to the Smart City Dashboard so you can see if they are in use before you leave the house.

At Cedar Fork District Park, moisture and flood sensors around the creek and fields relay information to the dashboard throughout the day to give staff a real-time update on field conditions. The dashboard provides field users the status of the fields. They can also sign up to be notified when a field's status changes.

Participate in Morrisville's East Meets West Festival!

The East Meets West Festival celebrates Morrisville, Wake County's most diverse community, with food, culture, and music from around the world. This year's festival will feature an immersive art gallery, a virtual passport to visit Morrisville shops & restaurants, and small events throughout the week highlighting festival favorites. You and your family are invited to explore new art, music, shops, and restaurants in an interactive and immersive way.

To learn more visit: Morrisvillechamber.org/emw

Development Projects in Town

Town-Wide Sidewalk Construction

The Town is working on the implementation phase of the Town's sidewalk improvement program which includes providing sidewalk connectivity at locations where sidewalks do not currently exist. At the Council's direction, a priority list has been developed and projects are in various stages of development including planning, design, and construction phases. Currently, Copley Parkway, Paramount Parkway, and Cary Parkway locations are under construction and will continue through the fall of 2021. Other locations that are in the design phase include Airport Boulevard, Morrisville Community Park, NC-54, and the Louis Stephens Drive locations. Some of the proposed sidewalk projects will be included with the Streets, Sidewalks, and Connectivity Improvements category of the upcoming 2021 Morrisville Bond Referendum.

Green and Fairview Stormwater Improvement Projects

The Town is currently managing the construction of two major stormwater improvement projects at Green Drive and Fairview Avenue that involves culvert replacements to alleviate localized flooding during larger storm events. The project started in June of 2021 and involves drainage pipe replacement, water, and sanitary sewer line relocations as well as paving and stream restoration. The project is under construction and is anticipated to be completed in the fall of 2021. The project is being funded using stormwater utility fees collected for the maintenance and upkeep of Morrisville's stormwater system as required by the state. Once complete, the project will provide for increased stormwater capacity in the area.

For a list of Town development projects visit:
TownofMorrisville.org/engineering.



Green-Fairview Flood Reduction Construction

Recycling Participation and Contamination Reduction Program

This fall the Town of Morrisville's Sustainability Program will embark on a new campaign, Recycling Participation and Contamination Reduction Program (RPCR), to increase our residential curbside recycling participation, while simultaneously reducing our overall contamination rates.

Recycling Participation

Our current curbside recycling rates have increased over the last two years from 55 percent in 2019 to 64 percent in 2020. Our goal is to increase the rate of participation for each route to 70 percent. According to the Recycling Partnership, the national average reported participation rate was 72 percent in 2019. The Town was awarded grant funding through the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality's (NCDEQ) Community Waste Reduction and Recycling program, to provide residents a refrigerator magnet with information on proper recycling tips. Help us get recycling participation to our goal of 70 percent by ensuring you're recycling right!

Contamination Reduction

To help reduce recycling contamination, please keep those plastic retail bags out of your recycle bin as they are a major cause of equipment malfunctions at the sorting facilities. To recycle these bags, bring them to a retail store directly.

This overall effort will be accompanied by a social media and marketing campaign facilitated by a youth group called Dedicated to Our Community of North Carolina (DOCNC), a student-led non-profit supporting community organizations through fundraising and volunteer support. The group has chosen to support the Town's Sustainability Program for the 2021 Fiscal Year.

For details, visit the Town's Public Works page.
TownofMorrisville.org/PW

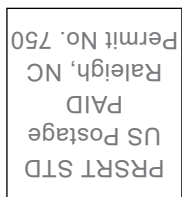


KEEP THESE OUT!

○ Aerosol cans	○ Electronics	○ Shredded paper
○ All batteries (car, lithium, etc.)	○ Food-tainted items	○ Styrofoam/peanuts
○ Ceramic items	○ Hazardous waste	○ Tangles (cords, hoses, wires, etc.)
○ Clothing or textiles	○ Household glass	○ Tires
○ Diapers	○ Medical waste	○ Toys
○ Disposable cups (plastic and paper)	○ Plastic bags/wrap	○ Scrap metal/wood

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Recycling Participation and Contamination Reduction Program (RPCR)



Calendar of Meetings and Events

October

October 2 - Morrisville Smart Shuttle Service Launches
October 2 – 10 a.m. Fire Safety Day
October 5 – 6 p.m. Public Safety Advisory Committee
October 5 – 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Public Education Advisory Committee
October 6 - 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Environment & Stormwater Committee
October 8 – 8 p.m. Movie in the Park - English Vinglish
October 11-15 Biannual Curbside Bulk Item Pick-Up
October 12 – 6 p.m. Town Council Meeting
October 14 6:30 p.m. Planning & Zoning Board
October 23 – 3 p.m. Trick or Treat the Trail
October 26 – 6 p.m. Town Council Meeting
October 27 – 6 p.m. Parks Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Committee
October 28 - 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Smart City Steering Committee

November

November 3 - 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Environment & Stormwater Committee
November 4 - 6:30 p.m. Planning & Zoning Board
November 9 - 6 p.m. Town Council Meeting
November 10 – 6 p.m. Performance Measures Advisory Committee
November 11-15 Biannual Curbside Bulk Item Pick-Up
November 17 – 6 p.m. Parks Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Committee
November 23 - 6 p.m. Town Council Meeting

December

December 2 - 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Environment & Stormwater Committee
December 7 - 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Public Education Advisory Committee
December 8 – 6 p.m. Parks Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Committee
December 9 - 6:30 p.m. Planning & Zoning Board
December 9 - 6:30 p.m. Morrisville Smart City Steering Committee
December 14 – 6 p.m. Town Council Meeting



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