



August 22, 2023

MAYOR'S UPDATE

Coming up in Bexley:

August 22, 6:00 pm:	City Council Meeting
August 24, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm:	Bike Friendly Bexley - Bike Boulevard Meeting
August 24, 4:00 - 7:00 pm:	Farmer's Market (also on August 31 and September 7)
August 24, 6:00 pm:	Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning
August 26, 5:00 - 10:00 pm:	Smoke & Fire Festival
September 2, 9:00 - 11:00 am:	Bexley Re:Cycle Bikes Open Workshop
September 3, 3:00 - 8:00 pm:	Labor Day Block Party and Brewfest
September 5, 5:30 pm:	Land Use Strategy 2.0
September 30, 6:00 - 10:30 pm:	Main Event: Top Gun Maverick

Some of What I've Been Up To:

- Routine staff and cabinet touch-base meetings
- Planning and site tour for Into the Woods Festival
- Facilitated Front Yard/Corner Lot Study Group
- Attend Tree and Public Garden Commission
- Review and work on universal recycling
- Meeting on Outdoor Reading Room
- Meetings, communications with residents and developers regarding various issues
- Meeting regarding Bexley Historic District/MOA
- Call and work with HR Coordinator Candidate
- CAP Planning Meeting
- Trinity Apartments Discussion
- Met with Community Housing Network
- Attended Splish Splash & Dash
- Support for Capital Kick Off City table
- Extensive work on Year of the Parks projects and planning items
- Scheduling and planning work on Land Use Strategy 2.0
- EDAC Meeting Planning
- Initial prep work for Bexley City Schools quarterly roundtable
- Research and follow up on dog bite and related ordinance

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Year of the Parks Update

Meetings and Progress Over Past Couple Weeks:

- Pond nearing completion - mid to late September
- Arboretum trail at Commonwealth under construction
- Follies bid awarded
- Plaza utility work bid awarded
- Schneider plantings going to bid
- Skate park design contract awarded



Human Resources Coordinator

Emily Buckley has accepted an offer of employment and will be joining the City of Bexley team as our HR Coordinator in early September. Emily is a Human Resources professional with a great depth of experience and a proven passion for supporting employee development and growth. Emily will work a part-time schedule and will be primarily stationed at City Hall.

Emily's initial goals will center on onboarding and meeting with different departments for an overview of existing human resource functions within the City. We'll also work to involve her in the upcoming benefits evaluation and open enrollment processes.



Strategic Plan Update

Thank you to those who have submitted suggestions, questions, and comments on the draft Strategic Plan. Next steps in this process will include a workshop with City Council to discuss feedback and potential changes. After this, we will schedule additional workshops for staff members and the public.

Land Use Strategy 2.0 Update

As we continue to move forward on the Land Use Strategy refresh, several meetings have been scheduled with community partners to ensure the committee has a clear understanding of projects, developments, and plans that will impact the revision of this document.

Trinity Apartments Sites Hearing Status

The Trinity Apartments developer has submitted early draft concepts for a site plan for the proposed development. The site is scheduled to have a preliminary review at the Board of Zoning and Planning on August 24th. At this hearing, board members will hear initial site plan concepts and provide feedback on them. The site plan is still in draft form, with multiple options being brought forward.

Here are some upcoming dates / touch points:

August 24: BZAP (preliminary hearing)

September 13: Board of Education Meeting (TIF discussion?)

September 14: Architectural Review Board (preliminary hearing?)

September 20: Tree and Public Gardens Commission

September 28: BZAP

Additionally, we have upcoming internal meetings to begin to review potential changes to the City Hall / Bexley Square parking lot and provide feedback regarding those proposed changes and any legal mechanisms necessary.