



September 24, 2024

MAYOR'S UPDATE

Coming up in Bexley:

September 24, 6:00 pm:	City Council
September 25, 6:30 pm:	Bexley Big Table Conversation at Bexley Library
September 26, 3:30 - 5:30 pm:	Open Office Hours with Councilman Hurley
September 26, 4:00 - 7:00 pm:	Bexley Farmers Market (also October 3)
September 26, 6:00 pm:	Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning
September 26, 7:00 pm:	Bexley Centennial Author Series with Maggie Smith
September 29, 11:00 am - 6:00 pm:	Into the Woods Fest
October 1, 5:30 pm:	Livingston Avenue Update and Q&A
October 6 (May change to 10/13!):	One Bexley Dinner on Drexel (possible date change: Oct 13!)
October 7, 6:30 pm:	Land Use Strategy
October 8, 6:00 pm:	City Council
October 14:	Bexley Chamber Taste of Bexley
October 18:	Harvest Fest
October 21:	Curbside Leaf Pickup Begins (weather permitting)
October 31:	Trick or Treat

Some of What I've Been Up To:

- Extensive prep work for 2025 budget
- Tree and Service punch list review
- Preparation and communications for Livingston Avenue Update and Q&A
- Interviews and follow up for Assistant Finance Director
- OEC Board Meetings and prep work
- Staffing at Smoke & Fire Fest for cooking and Main Event management
- Swearing in Ceremony for auxiliary officers
- One Bexley meetings and asset design work
- One Bexley Gathering planning meeting
- Meetings and research on potential future legislation
- Meetings with potential developers
- Strong Cities event
- Facilitated Land Use Strategy Workshop
- Attended Drexel Gala
- Farmer's Market and City Tree conversations with Bexley Community Foundation
- Meeting with Rebecca Ness on multiple projects
- Rode in Pelotonia Gravel Day
- Interview with 10TV on short term rental rules
- Attended Mural Fest
- LinkUs Internal Working Meeting
- COMMA Board of Directors Meeting and planning
- Meeting with TPGC leadership
- Post Audit Meeting
- East Main Street BRT Coordination Meeting
- MORPC Sustainability and Advisory Committee
- Performed at Johnson's Meet the Artists event
- Planning work for story slam One Bexley event
- City Hall Reconfiguration Meeting
- Website updates
- Chaired/attended regional ESID board meeting
- Assistant Finance Director interviews
- Emails and calls with residents on various issues

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Livingston Avenue Update and Q&A Event

On Tuesday, October 1 at 5:30 pm, we'll host a Livingston Avenue Infrastructure Update and Q&A Session with leaders and law enforcement professionals from Bexley and Columbus. Letters have been left at residences near Livingston in an effort to ensure all residents are aware. This meeting will provide updates on infrastructure, security, and what to expect next along the Livingston corridor. We'll also review the impact of the traffic calming measures that have already been installed.

One Bexley Gathering - Possible Date Change to October 13

Planning for the 2024 *One Bexley Gathering* is underway and some great changes are being planned to encourage more conversation and connection. The event will once again transform the intersection of Main and Drexel, creating a welcoming space for the community to come together to share a meal and conversation.

Due to some scheduling conflicts, we are looking into a date change to October 13. This should be finalized tomorrow and a special Blast will be sent regarding this change and the event in general.

AED Station Installation Update

The quote for the community AED stations and an ordinance is being introduced tonight to request formal appropriation of the budgeted funds for this project. In accordance with Chapter 1485, installation is being planned for the following locations:

- Main Street at Kindness Park
- Main Street at Parkview
- Main Street at Cassady
- Schneider Park Athletic Fields
- Commonwealth Park Athletic Fields
- Jeffrey Park Tennis Court/Lower Meadow



Mural Fest Wrap Up

The inaugural Mural Fest was a huge success. Hats off to the many employees and committee members who helped to make this a success, but a special Bravo and thank you goes out to Megan Meyer who rose to the challenge day 1 to bring this vision to life.

The murals along Main Street are complete, but there is still exciting mural work afoot on the west wall of City Hall facing the Market District parking lot. A Stay Cool mural is nearing completion, adding color and beauty and important messaging about the crisis of our rising global temperature. Stay tuned for an opportunity to celebrate this mural as a Mural Fest wrap up!

Curbside Leaf Pickup - October 21

Curbside Leaf Pickup is scheduled for October 21, so it's a good idea to remind everyone of some key tips for keeping this program running smoothly.

- Leaves should be left in the tree lawn, unbagged
- No grass clippings or other plant materials may be left - they clog the machines and create lengthy delays
- Be sure that leaf piles are on the curb and not on the street
- Leaving your leaves (by mulching them into your grass) is also a great sustainable option for leaf management
- As in years past, stay tuned to bexley.org/leafpickup for updates!















