

# Happy New Year

## Fairburn: "Moving Forward Together"

Greetings,

On behalf of myself and the Fairburn City Council, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks to those residents and businessowners who took time to fellowship with us at the Business & Economic Investment Forum. Your presence was greatly appreciated!

Beginnings can be quite frightening for individuals. It's a time when people experience the foreign. In doing so, they're not sure of how to properly prepare for the unknown. Every time I discipline my mind to construct newness, I always use two utensils, a notebook and an ink pen,

as I snuggle in my favorite rocking chair. I then begin drawing a Venn diagram reflecting the good, the bad, and what I consider mediocre. Every time my diagram is completed, I'm reminded that no matter how many unfortunate circumstances may have occurred down through the years, my good always outweighs my bad! The good gives me enough assurance and hope to believe that if I made it through the past trial, I'm strong enough to endure the task set before me. So, as we usher in 2019, reminisce on the good tidings of 2018. Don't be fearful of change, but step out, begin something new that the last year couldn't offer.

You are cordially invited to attend the State of the City Address on January 14, 2019 at 7:00pm. This event will take place at Temple of Prayer Family Worship Cathedral, 161 Senoia Road, Fairburn, Ga. A reception will follow immediately at the newly renovated Fairburn City Hall at 56 Malone Street, S.W. Fairburn, Ga.

Happy New Year Fairburn!



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Are you interested in serving your community? Do you have experience in real estate, engineering, architectural, land use planning, or land development? Or just have a heart to serve your community?

Planning and Zoning Commission

The City of Fairburn is currently recruiting for one vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission. This is a volunteer position [no salary] and

applicants must be a Fairburn resident. The Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the first (1st) Tuesday of every month. Typical duties include: review and decide on variance petitions, review and decide on proposed development plans, review and make recommendations to the City Council on zoning amendments, subdivision plats, use permits and rezoning petitions.

Interested candidates may contact the Planning and Zoning Office at (770) 964-2244 for more information. Applications are available at www.fairburn.com/156/ Planning-Zoning-Commission and can be picked up at the Planning and Zoning Office located at 26 West Campbellton Street. All applications must be delivered to the Planning and Zoning Office. The position will remain open until filled.

#### <u>Resolve to be Energy Wise in 2019</u>

As we usher in the new year, take a few minutes to resolve to improve your energy efficiency and lower your energy bills. Consider the following:

- Turn off lights when you are the last one to leave a room. 1.
- Switch to energy efficient, longer lasting LED bulbs. 2.
- Change the filters in your heating and cooling system 3. regularly to improve air flow.
- Adjust the thermostat at night, or when leaving the 4. home.
- Unplug battery chargers when they are not charging 5. anything.
- Install water-efficient showerheads and faucets aerators. 6.
- Take shorter showers to reduce water heating costs and 7. save on the water and sewer bill.
- Going away for a few days? Lower the temperature on 8. the water heater to reduce standby heat loss.
- Use the microwave to heat small quantities of food rather 9 than the stove or oven.
- 10. Conduct a do-it-yourself energy audit to find improvements around the home that can save you money. To use the Home Energy Calculator, go to http://c03.apogee.net/clients/?utilityid=ecgfairburn&hostheader=ecg-fairburn

#### Sanitation Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day (Move service pick-up to next day)

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## to ALL with January Birthdays ΟY Jean-Holder Astree Fredrick Parks

- McClennon Duncan
- James Fasoulas
- Marceia Lindley
- Stoney Mathis
- Maiico Singleton
  - Lashand White
  - Krystal Wilborn

Fairburn Mayor Elizabeth Carr-Hurst and City Council hosted its first Business & Economic Investment Forum on December 5, 2018 at the Fairburn Educational Campus. The Forum covered a variety of topics, including Workforce Development and Technology, Access to Capital and Tools for Small & Medium Sized Businesses, Revitalizing Suburban Downtowns & Strategic Corridors, and Making Your Community Camera Ready. Promoting Growth & Development Through Innovative Strategies was the Forum's theme which was delivered to an engaging audience by a heavy-duty list of panelists and speakers, including Keynote Terri Denison, Georgia District Director of the Small Business Administration.

In addition to a diversity of programming, this event attracted local officials, economic development professionals, small businessowners, real estate brokers, corporate executives and educators.

Mayor Carr-Hurst stated that "We offer special thanks to all our sponsors and others who have partnered with us to bring such a positive event which will continue to elevate Fairburn as a leader in the South Metro Atlanta area."



### **Parks and Recreation**

- Fairburn Youth Track : Registration Now Open
- Dream it. Live It. Dream Board Night: \$5.00 activity fee
- Fairburn Tee Ball: Registration Now Open (Ages: 2-6)

Please follow the City of Fairburn on Social Media.



