

City of Gainesville E-Newsletter

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A Word from Mayor Pro Tem Myrtle Figueras

You hear about the candidates for President daily, but did you know we will be having an election right here in our City November 6? Three Gainesville City Council seats and three Gainesville City School Board seats will be determined by us. Voting is our right and our responsibility. Your vote can affect change in our community. Please note several important dates in Gainesville.

- August 27-29, 2007: Qualification for Gainesville City School Board and Gainesville City Council, Wards 2,3, and 5
- October 8, 2007: Last day to [register](#) to be eligible to vote in the November Election
- November 6, 2007: General Election



For more information on qualifying or registering to vote call Gainesville City Clerk [Denise Jordan](#) at 770 535-6862. Start educating yourself today on the candidates and what they think. Whatever decision you make on who to vote for, we look forward to seeing all of you make full use of the 'POWER OF ONE' in November!

Find out more about what's happening in our community by joining me Saturday, September 8 at 10:00am for our Citizens Involvement Advisory Roundtable meeting at the Sr. Center or email citycouncil@gainesville.org.



Linwood Plant

The new [Linwood Water Reclamation Facility](#) is nearing completion with initial testing and start ups underway. The plant off Linwood Drive is a new 5 million gallons per day sewage treatment plant built on the site of the existing Linwood Facility. The plant will be an advanced treatment facility utilizing membrane filtration to meet new treatment standards set by the [Georgia](#)

[Environmental Protection Division](#). The plant engineer is Jordan, Jones and Goulding, Inc. and the plant contractor is Pizzagalli Construction Company, Inc. JJ & G is also managing the project with the City's assistance.

Lee Gilmer Memorial Airport

The City of Gainesville is very excited about plans for the installation of the Approach Lighting System and Precision Runway Markings on Runway 4/22 at [Lee Gilmer Memorial Airport](#). The City received a check for \$450,000 from [Georgia Department of Transportation](#) Board Chairman Mike Evans August 10 to assist with the project. The total project cost will be \$600,000 with 25% of the remaining cost paid by the City. Gainesville Public Works Director [Adrian Niles](#) said the installation should begin in October. Other good news for the airport is the upcoming construction of an Instrument Landing System. The Federal Aviation Administration accepted Requests for Proposals in mid-August. Construction is expected to begin in September and be completed by February 2008. The ILS will be maintained by the FAA.



Roper Park Upgrades

Sections of [Roper Park](#) are closed this month for renovation. [Gainesville Parks and Recreation](#) is overseeing the renovations which include sidewalk and concrete repair as well as general maintenance work. Roper Park is a neighborhood park located on Thompson Bridge Road and Virginia Circle. The City park offers a playground, pavilion rental, lighted tennis court and ball field. Gainesville Parks and Recreation is committed to providing quality facilities and appreciates the community's patience during these improvements.

Women and Children Expo

Don't miss the 2007 Women and Children Expo Wednesday, September 26 at the [Gainesville Civic Center](#). The Expo is sponsored annually by Gainesville Parks and Recreation and runs from 11:00am to 6:00pm. The day will feature screenings, demonstrations, workshops, parenting & health tips, prize drawings and more. The Expo will also include children's activities from 3:30pm-6:00pm. For more information go to www.gainesville.org/recreation or call 770-531-2680.



Eye on Gainesville

Gainesville City School Schools are back in session and Superintendent Dr. [Steven Ballowe](#) joins Host [Catiel Felts](#) to talk about plans for the 2007-2008 school year. Updates on personnel, testing, and being a model school system. Eye on Gainesville airs every Monday, Thursday, and Saturday at 12:30pm, 7:00pm, and 11:30pm on TV18, The Government Channel for Gainesville/Hall County.



Be sure to tune in to TV18 for Good Morning Gainesville September 19-23 at 7:00am and 9:00am.

Calendar of Events

City Council Work Session 8.23.07

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303

Touch-a-Truck 8.25.07

City Park, 10:00am-1:00pm

City Offices Closed for Labor Day 9.03.07

City Council Meeting 9.04.07

5:30pm Georgia Mountains Center

City Council Work Session 9.06.07

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303

Citizens Involvement Advisory Roundtable 9.08.07

10:00am Community Service Center

Gainesville Parks and Recreation Board Meeting 9.10.07

5:30pm Gainesville Civic Center Board Room

Gainesville Planning and Appeals Board Meeting 9.11.07

5:30pm Georgia Mountains Center

City Council Work Session 9.13.07

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303

City Council Meeting 9.18.07

9:00am Georgia Mountains Center

City Council Work Session 9.20.07

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303

Women and Children's Expo 9.25.07

Civic Center

City Council Work Session 9.27.07

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303



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