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Friendship Forest Grand Opening

The City of Clarkston will celebrate the Grand Opening of the Friendship Forest Wildlife Sanctuary on March 12, 2021, at 1:00pm.



Friendship Forest---located at 4380 East Ponce de Leon Avenue, Clarkston, GA 30021, just

½ mile north of Clarkston's town center and business district ---is a former recreation park that was deeded to the City of Clarkston government by DeKalb County government.

In 2002 Clarkston City Council designated the 18.5 acres sanctuary as an official Greenspace with wetland protection and only allowing passive outdoor recreational activities that include: jogging, walking, and observation of birds, trees, plants, wildflowers,





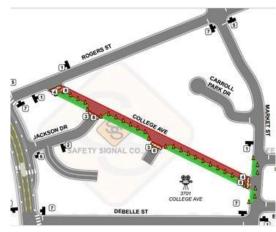
wildlife and animals in a natural habitat.

Renovations and improvements that totaled \$1.85 million included reconstructed wetlands, paved asphalt walkways, wooden viewing decks, a paved parking lot, a covered pavilion with restrooms, and a second restroom building at the sanctuary's East Ponce de Leon main entrance.

Filming in Clarkston: Raising Dion

Super Spring Productions, LLC in association with Netflix will be filming (prepping) RAISING DION: SEASON 2 at the Clarkston Community Center, January 29th, February 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

Road closure will include College Avenue between Rogers Avenue between Rogers and Market Street.



February

Track

Upcoming

City Events

and

Meetings.

2 <u>City Council Regular Meeting</u>

7:00pm Virtual-Zoom

- **3 City Court -** 4:00pm
- 4 **City Court -** 4:00pm
- 8 City Court 4:00pm
- **9 City Court -** 4:00pm
- **10 City Court -** 4:00pm

8-12 New Americans Celebration

Virtual week of action

12 City Council/ Senior Staff Retreat

8:30 - 4:30, only public viewing/listening by Virtual-Zoom

15 Presidents Day Holiday

Offices Closed

15 Normal Monday Sanitation Service

WM (Green Container) Trash & Recycling collection day

16 Bulk/large/oversized trash collection

Please call 678.409.9683, no later than Fri, Feb 12, 5 pm, to schedule collection

16 Planning & Zoning Meeting

7:00pm –Teleconference

17 Historic Preservation Committee Meeting

10:00am - Teleconference

23 City Council Work Session

7:00pm Virtual-Zoom



New Americans Celebration

For the past seven years, CRSA has welcomed over 300 volunteers to the Georgia State Capitol for their annual New Americans Celebration to engage with legislators and share why refugees and immigrants should continue to be welcome in Georgia.

This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CRSA will not be hosting an in-person New Americans Celebration. Instead, they invite you to join in a Virtual Week of Action—commencing February 8, 2021—to ensure Georgia legislators still receive educational materials on the contributions of refugees and immigrants to our state and hear about your support for new Americans in Georgia! Click to REGISTER

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12 Friendship Forest Grand Opening 1:00 pm

- Special Election– Council Seat7:00 am 7:00 pm
- **Planning & Zoning Meeting—7:00p Teleconference** 7:00pm –Teleconference
- 17 Historic Preservation Committee Meeting—10a 10:00am - Teleconference
- 30 <u>City Council Work Session</u> 7:00pm Virtual-Zoom

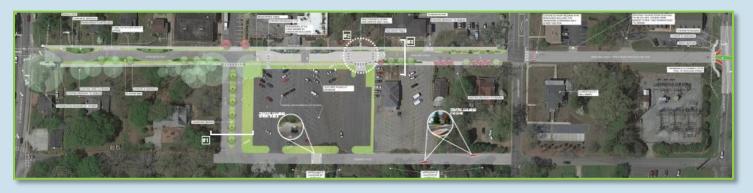
Special Election March 16, 2021



Voting to fill one unexpired Council Seat (12/31/2021) will take place at the two Clarkston precincts: Clarkston First Baptist Church Family Life Center at 4007 Church Street, and the Clarkston Community Center at 3701 College Ave, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Any person who is a resident of the City of Clarkston and who is registered at least thirty (30) days prior to this election with the DeKalb County Board of Registrations and Elections as an elector within the City of Clarkston shall be eligible to vote in this election. Deadline for voter registration is February 16, 2021.

CITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS



| Project | Description |
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| Rowland Street Road Diet & Mell Ave Trail- head; including Rogers St from Market to North Indian Creek | Project construction from trailhead to Norman Rd on Rowland. Expect road closure on Roland in the summer. Work entails new granite curb on Rowland from NIC to Market, new sidewalks, traffic calming measures, trees, asphalt resurfacing, bioswales, Clarkston Trolley Information kiosk, streetscape benches, road narrowing and pedestrian crossing improvements |
| Peachtree Creek at Ponce New Apartment Complete on EPDL | Traffic delays due to developer installing new left and right turn lanes into new development |
| Debelle Street Stormwater and Roadway Improvements | Debelle Rd to be opened to traffic the end of January. Street paved |
| Market St sidewalks from City Annex driveway to county line | Survey and utility locate work to support new SPLOST sidewalk project |
| Streetscape Project | Project is 95% complete. Remaining work includes landscape installation (trees) beginning end of January and completion mid Feb.; complete bus shelters, mailboxes, final striping and punch list repairs |
| Rivers Alive Event | City event bring together volunteers to cleanup city waterways planned for March – Saturday event |
| EPDL Culvert Replacement (near new apartment complex) | One lane open to traffic with flaggers during construction |
| Church at East Ponce sidewalk Project (PH 2) | Upon receiving CSX permit, Phase 2 will commence with sidewalks on the CSX side of Church and EPDL including traffic islands on EPDL for pedestrian crossings (with 3 new rectangular rapid flashing beacons) – same as installed on Montreal Road |

Coffee with a Cop

CLARKSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Proudly presents "Coffee with a Cop" to build and sustain community relations and engagement.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
REFUGE COFFEE
4170 EAST PONCE de LEON AVENUE
CLARKSTON, GA 30021

Join neighbors, friends and Clarkston police officers for coffee and informal conversation.

No agenda or speeches, just an opportunity to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know some of Clarkston's finest, protecting and serving your neighborhood!



For more information contact:

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