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Authorities, Boards, and Committee Meetings

- *Air Base Preserv. & Dev. Aug. 9, 12pm, Airport
- *Keep Douglas Beautiful Committee, Aug. 10, 2:30pm, Slater House
- *Recreation Commission Aug. 10, 11:45am, Central Square, 384- 5978
- *Downtown Development Authority, Aug. 11, 9am, Slater House
- *GICH Committee, Aug. 11, 3pm, Slater House
- *Land Bank Authority, Aug. 12, 4pm, Slater House
- *City Commission, Aug. 16 & 23, 7pm, Weir Center
- *Airport Commission, Aug. 18, 10:30am, Airport
- *Veterans Park Committee, Aug. 18, 10am, Airport
- *Historic Preservation Committee, Aug. 26, 4pm, Slater House

The City of Douglas Fire Department received a new inflatable fire education safety house. The 3-room inflatable fire house has a kitchen, living room, and bedroom that will be used to teach children proper fire safety tasks. While inside the inflatable house, children will be asked to locate potential fire hazards in the kitchen, living room, and bedroom and learn how to eliminate potential fire situations. The house is large enough for children to crawl through and locate an emergency escape route while the house is filled with non-toxic, water-based "smoke". For more information about the house or to schedule the Douglas Fire Department for a visit, please call (912) 384-4815.



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<https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/133/Social-Media>



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PUBLIC NOTICE TO AMEND CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 26-9

This ordinance will affect the date, times and usage of consumer fireworks.

For complete public notice, click here!

CDBG Grant Dollars At Work!!

Weather permitting, the paving process for five streets in the Hollywood Drive area; Blakely, Wicker, Ironwood, Marco, and Vista Way; will soon be completed thanks to CDBG Grant funding.



Know what's below Call **811** before you dig.



WDTV - Channel 13 Programming Schedule

12:00, 4:00, 8:00 am/pm – City Commission Meetings

1:00, 5:00 am/pm – Douglas On My Mind Show

2:00, 6:00 am/pm – Douglas Mayor's Youth Council

9:00, 11:00 am/pm – City Bulletins or Special Program

10:00, 3:00 am/pm – History At High Noon

7:00 am/pm – Board of Education Meetings

Sunday Only Special Programming

6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00 am/pm Sunday Programs



BID OPPORTUNITIES

cityofdouglasga.gov
(912)389-3463

- Two (2) - 2022 Ram 1500 Tradesman Crew Cab 4x4

Residential Junk **Drop-Off** Day

Aug. 7 & 21, 2021 - 8:30am - 12noon

@ City Pole Yard (670 S. Pearl Ave.)

Customers must be in the drop off line prior to 11:45am

For more information, call (912)384-3302 or dial 311.

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SPOTLIGHT!

Thank you for your service to the citizens of Douglas!

Here's some of our OUTSTANDING employees that are celebrating employment anniversaries of 5 years or more with the City of Douglas during the month of August!

- Linda Phillips – Finance Department (7yrs.)
- Tony Thompson – Fire Department (12 yrs.)
- Ronnie Bullock – Parks & Recreation Dept.(16 yrs.)
- Stacey Williams – Police Department (21 yrs.)
- Gregory Harper – Fire Department (23 yrs.)
- Georgia Henderson – Community Development Director (26 yrs.)
- Martha McNear – Finance Department (42 yrs.)



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Police Officer (open until filled)
Part-Time Volunteer Firefighter
Apply in person at Human Resource Department located at 316 E. Bryan Street (old Gas Dept. building) or online at <https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs.aspx>

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES



Tonjaneka Henderson – Municipal Court/Finance Department, (15yrs)

Patrick Taylor – Natural Gas/Douglas Utilities Department (20yrs)



TITLE VI STATEMENT

The City of Douglas is committed to ensuring compliance and works to make certain that all management, staff and service recipients are aware of the provisions and responsibilities of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin in any program or activity that receives Federal funds or other Federal financial assistance. All programs and operations of entities that receive assistance from the federal government must comply with provisions outlined under this Act. The Grant Administrator of the Community Development Department is responsible for implementing, monitoring and ensuring the City of Douglas' compliance with Title VI of the City Rights Acts of 1964. For more information regarding Title VI, <https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/59/Human-Resources>



POCKET PARK, DAVIS WADE PARK, AND PREMIER SPORTS COMPLEX PROJECT UPDATES



The Pocket Park received the addition of a privacy fence in July. Coming soon will be the ribbon cutting and citizens will have the ability to reserve the park for small special events.



Demolition of the pool and ballfield has begun at Davis Wade to make room for the new 8 lane competition pool, pool house, splash pad, and Miracle Field.

The Premier Sports Complex is transforming into a youth baseball, softball, and football sports park dream come true! Sod continues to be put down, and batting cages are installed.



Business Corner

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES!

Be Positive USA, 703 Short St., 912-217-8172

Benchmark Physical Therapy, 235 W. Ward St.,
423-803-4816

Big Fellaz, 505 N. Peterson Ave., 912-347-7900

Bling Blessings, 264 Westwood Heights Cir., 912-
850-3197

D D's Jersey's, 830 New Forrest Hwy., 912-594-
2189

KDD Dance and Youth Recreation, 703 Aubrey
Rd., 229-585-1542

Mr. Clean Pressure, 221A N. Daughtry Ave., 904-
451-6419

Pineland Bank, 1351 S.E. Bowens Mill Rd.

Urban Beauty Salon, 911 S. Gaskin Ave.,
912-383-2182

The Sister's Creations, 1310 McLean St,
727-463-4688

Boyz 2 Men Transportation, 809 N. Grady Ave.,
912-592-5799

Braids By Leat, 1930 Frank Jackson Cir.,
678-756-0877

Syrface America, 715 Fountain Ave.,
717-295-3400

Destined for Greatness CD Inc, 1310 McLean St.,
727-463-4688

Nails X Manda, 107 W. Bryan St., 912-327-0718

Coffee Kids Music Academy, 817 N Peterson
Ave., 770-655-1078

Nikki's Café, 913 S. Gaskin Ave., 912-595-4007

HOBBY LOBBY GRAND OPENING NEWS!!

If everything continues on schedule, we have fantastic news!! Get ready for the Grand Opening of Hobby Lobby on August 16, 2021 at 9am!!

Approximately 80 people from the Hobby Lobby Hiring Event along with staff already are already moving in and setting everything in place.

Let's all welcome the Store Manager, Angie Pruett and Assistant Manager, Paul Rodriguez and show how excited we are that Hobby Lobby chose our community!



The City of Douglas is seeking two (2) citizens to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee. Both must live in the city limits, one must live in City Ward 2. Volunteer applications can be picked up @ City Clerk's Office @ 800 S. Peterson Avenue. For More Information: (912) 389-3405

The City of Douglas is seeking (1) one citizen to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. For qualifications and to apply, volunteer applications can be picked up at the City Clerk's Office, 800 S. Peterson Avenue. For More Information: (912) 384-3302

AIRBASE PRESERVATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

*The City of Douglas is seeking one (1) member to serve on the Airbase Preservation and Economic Development, with preferred aviation knowledge or experience. Volunteer applications can be picked up at City Clerk, Customer Care Center, 800 S. Peterson Avenue
For More Information: (912) 384-3302*





Citizen's Academy Program

Douglas, GA 101

Your first step to learn more about YOUR City Government



SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TODAY!

www.cityofdouglasga.gov/citizensacademyprogram



FOR MORE INFORMATION, BTTHOMAS@CITYOFDOUGLASGA.GOV OR 912-383-0277

👉 PUBLIC NOTICE FOR 👈 CITY OF DOUGLAS BUSINESS OWNERS

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY - If you have not renewed your 2021 business license, it is urgent that you contact Code Enforcement to purchase your business license as soon as possible. Business owners who are operating their business without a City of Douglas Occupational Tax license, will be fined a 10% penalty and may also face a separate fine, per day, not to exceed \$1,000. FMI:(912)389-3460 OR (912)389-3462



AUGUST 7, 2021

Main Street Market

8am - 2pm

Local sellers bringing you
homemade | handmade | homegrown

Shop & Eat In Downtown Douglas

Shop downtown Douglas and grab brunch or lunch
while you're here!

SHOP | STAY | PLAY | EAT

GEORGIA RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

If you're a Georgia renter who has fallen behind on rent payments due to the COVID-19 pandemic, you may qualify for assistance. The Georgia Rental Assistance Program can provide up to 12 months of rental assistance and utility assistance, paid directly to landlords and service providers on behalf of tenants. To see if you qualify, <https://georgiarentalassistance.ga.gov/>



FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION

For Individuals Age 12 & older*



There will be no out-of-pocket costs. CRMC is currently administering Moderna & Pfizer 2-dose vaccines. For more information on the COVID-19 vaccine, visit: www.coffeeregional.org/coronavirus

INDOOR VACCINATION CLINIC

Located at Coffee Regional Medical Center Cafeteria

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Clinic held inside the CRMC Cafeteria – 1101 Ocilla Road, Douglas, Ga

Tuesdays 6:30 am to 11:00 am and 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Wednesdays 6:30 am to 11:00 am



A photo ID is required.



Please allow at least 30 minutes for your appointment.



Masks are required to be worn by everyone inside CRMC.

*Georgia is now vaccinating all individuals aged 12 and older. Those under the age of 18 must receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine as it is the only vaccine approved for use in individuals age 12 and older. Parental consent required for those under the age of 18. Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines both have been approved for use in individuals 18 and older.

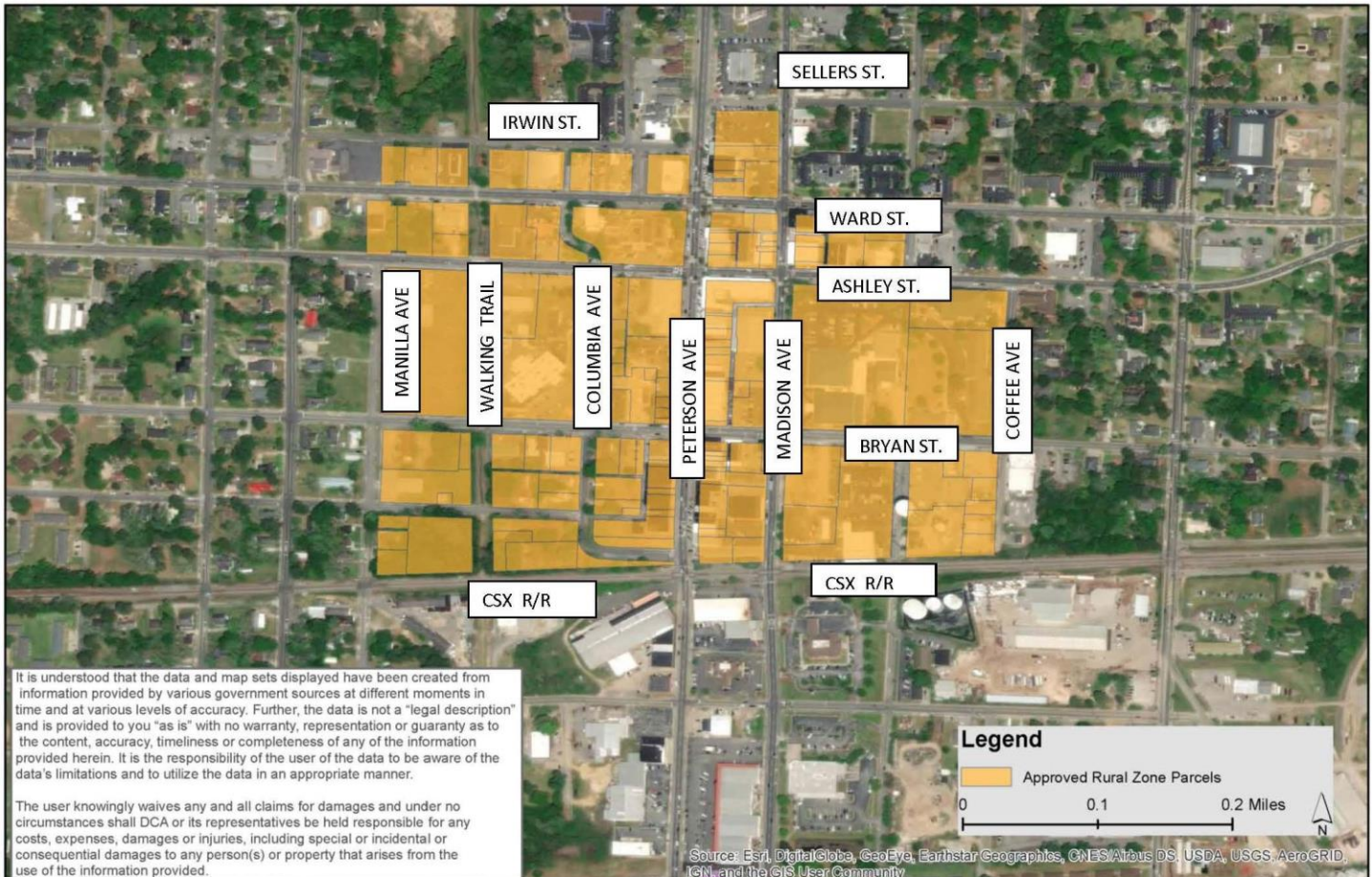
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DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that downtown businesses that are located within the RURAL Zone June qualify for tax credits relating to property purchase, rehabilitation costs, and job creation? Find out if your business qualifies at <https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/261/RURAL-Zone>.

Official Rural Zone map for City of Douglas





Coffee County Schools

Open House Schedule for 2021-2022



Elementary Schools: 3:00-6:00 PM

August 4 - Head of Household Last Names A-M

August 5 - Head of Household Last Names N-Z

Coffee Middle School: 4:00-7:00 PM

August 4 - 6th Grade

August 5 - 7th & 8th Grade

George Washington Carver Freshman Campus:

August 5 - 3:00 – 6:00 PM

Wiregrass Regional College and Career Academy:

August 4 - 2:00-6:00 PM

9th – 11th Grade

August 5 - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Makeups

August 5 - 3:00-5:00 PM

12th Grade

Coffee County Educational Academy:

August 4 & 5 - 3:00 – 6:00 PM

Coffee High School: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

August 5 - Engineering, Agriculture & Mechanics

Fine Arts, Business & Information Technology

August 6 - Health & Human Resources

Public Service & Education

We Are Coffee

ATTENTION PARENTS: IT'S BOOSTER TIME!



THERE'S A NEW GEORGIA SCHOOL ENTRY REQUIREMENT!

Effective July 1, 2021, students entering or transferring into the eleventh grade will need proof of a meningococcal conjugate booster (MCV4) shot, unless their first dose was received on or after their sixteenth birthday.

Meningococcal disease is serious, but your teen can be protected. Check with your doctor or local public health department to find out if your teen is up to date on their MCV4 booster shot and other shots recommended for teens.

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Regional Public Transit begins in Southern Georgia on **July 1, 2021**

The opportunity for ridership will be available to the general public and passengers will be able to schedule trips for any purpose within the participating regional counties: Atkinson, Bacon, Berrien, Brantley, Brooks, Charlton, Coffee, Cook, Irwin, Lowndes, Pierce, Tift, Turner and Ware.

For updates about the new service check this website:

<https://www.sgrc.us/public-transit-services.html>

and the SGRC Facebook Page here:

<https://www.facebook.com/SouthernGeorgiaRC/>

Trips can be booked by passengers by calling at least 24-hours in advance:

1-855-360-7475

Cost to ride for
each one-way trip:

**\$3.00 + 50¢/
mile over 10
miles**



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COMING UP AT THE MARTIN CENTRE! FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT THEIR FACEBOOK PAGE, <https://www.facebook.com/themartincentre>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE SECOND ANNUAL GOPHER TORTOISE FESTIVAL ON OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2021!!





Join us for a Members' Paddle - Sat, August 7th!

It's time to get out and have some fun on the Satilla River! Make sure to sign up for our *Summer 2021 Members' Paddle Trip*. We will meet up at Burnt Fort in Camden county where we'll "go with the flow" for an out-and-back paddle with the tides. This trip will be limited to **12 participants and you must bring your own boat**. Spots will fill up fast... sign up soon!

When: Saturday, August 7th @10am

Where: Burnt Fort Landing (GA 252, between Folkston & Woodbine)

What: An out-and-back group paddle trip

Cost: This paddle is complimentary for Satilla Riverkeeper Members. *If you are not yet a member, see below!*

RSVP: You must register ahead of time to participate. Please email Riverkeeper@satillariverkeeper.org if you are interested in joining this paddle trip.

To plan your own adventure, check out the Satilla River Water Trail resources available [here](#).