



City Sketches

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Young Street Community Park Update

The Young Street Community Park property has been undergoing a transformation for the past year, the result of a team effort from volunteers and the City.

In addition to the basketball court which sits closest to the road, the property has new playground equipment, fencing and an updated driveway. Additionally, the expanded community garden has been installed thanks, in part, to a generous grant from the Fairhope/Point Clear Community Foundation.

The garden's layout allows for eight raised beds for growing vegetables as well as spaces for blueberries, pollinator flowers, fruit trees and much more. Students at the Rotary Youth Club meet weekly with long-time volunteers Catherine Kiser and Moe Nation, as well as volunteers from the Alabama Extension Agency and the community. These garden club classes give students a hands-on experience in growing, tending and harvesting fresh foods from the garden as they learn responsibility, ownership and environmental issues at the property.

Special thanks also to volunteers from 3 Circle Church, Fairhope Rotary Youth Club Board, Directors and Staff who spent a Saturday this past spring sprucing up the grounds!



NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

Labor Day Holiday Schedule

Fairhope Outdoor Fall Farmers Market

New Online Payment Service Invoice Cloud

Alabama Coastal Cleanup



Saturday, September 17, marks the 35th annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup, and for Fairhope residents, it is a good opportunity to not only clean up along the coast but to clean up city wide. Again this year the City of Fairhope is encouraging neighborhood groups and others to join together to pick up trash and help make a difference.

Volunteers who sign up early will receive a free t-shirt. The packets of supplies will be available for pickup at the Nix Center (1 Bayou Drive) on Friday, September 16th, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All other volunteers can sign-in at the Fairhope Pier on Saturday, September 17th, beginning at 8 a.m. The cleanup takes place from 8 a.m. to noon. The Alabama Coastal Clean-Up is part of an international effort to remove debris from coastal waters.

This year as part of the day's activities, the City of Fairhope will cook hotdogs between 10 a.m. and noon at the south end of the Fairhope beach front park for all volunteers. Be a part of this effort this year to help keep Alabama and Fairhope beautiful!

Saturday, September 17

8 - 12 p.m.

*Call 251-929-1474 to register your group or organization
or for additional information.*

9/11 Ceremony

The community is invited as we remember those who served and those who were lost 21 years ago on September 11th. The Fairhope Police Department will be hosting its annual 9/11 ceremony outside the Police Department at 107 N. Section Street on Friday, September 9th, at 9 a.m.

Friday, September 9

9 a.m.

Police Department at 107 N. Section

Labor Day Holiday Schedule

The City of Fairhope Administrative Offices & Operations will be **CLOSED** on **Monday, September 5, 2022.**

There will be no garbage, trash or recycling pickup. Services will resume on the next scheduled pickup day.

Downtown Trick or Treat



Downtown Trick or Treat is a fabulous family tradition and a safe way for kids of all ages to enjoy a little pre-Halloween fun! Children are invited to wear their Halloween costume and trick or treat in downtown Fairhope on Saturday, October 29, from 10 a.m. to noon. Just look for the orange pumpkins in the windows of stores downtown to see who is participating. Participants are also invited to drop by the Welcome Center with their cameras where a Halloween photo stop will be set-up.

Saturday, October 29

10 - 12 p.m.

Downtown Fairhope

Fairhope Outdoor Fall Farmers Market



Enjoy the fresh, outstanding variety from the many vendors dedicated to offer quality and value with fresh produce, nursery items, specialty foods, breads, pastries, handmade soaps and more. The farmers market features live music and activities for the whole family.

September 22nd - November 10th

2 - 5 p.m.

Behind the Fairhope Public Library

Coffee with the Mayor



News from Mayor Sherry Sullivan

Coffee with the Mayor

9 - 10 a.m.

**September 20 Fairhope Recreation Center
November 15 City Council Chambers**

For more information call 251-928-2136

New Online Payment Service Now Available



Our new payment platform is now live!

The City of Fairhope is pleased to announce the launch of our new online billing and payment service powered by InvoiceCloud, offering customers greater flexibility to view and pay utility bills online.

As a result of this upgrade, you will need to re-register for AutoPay if you were previously registered for AutoPay with a credit card. If you were enrolled in AutoPay with an ACH account, your payments will continue to process as normal.

Go to www.fairhopeal.gov today to re-register for AutoPay or explore your payment options.



Online Payment Highlights

- View and pay your bill online anytime with credit/debit card or e-check
- Schedule a payment for a future date (before the due date)
- Securely store payment information for a faster payment experience
- Go Paperless to protect the environment
- Receive notifications and payment confirmations via email

Additional Payment Options

- With AutoPay your bills pay themselves. AutoPay automatically pays the invoice amount from your default payment method on the due date
- Pay by Text - sign up to get text notifications about your bill and have the option to pay through text message with your default payment method
- For more information call 251-928-2136.

LETTER FROM THE MAYOR



With September comes the excitement of a new school year and the return of football season.

As our local football and soccer teams take to the field, we are proud to be able to play host at W.C. Majors Field at Volanta Park. While you're cheering on your favorite team, I hope you will notice the improvements that are continually being made to the field, stands and to all of our recreational parks. We take pride in offering a variety of green space for our residents and visitors to enjoy.

To keep the cheering going, we are finally wrapping up the Church Street Infrastructure Project. The patience of the residents and business owners is greatly appreciated, and we are thankful for the promise of reliable and resilient infrastructure thanks to the completion of this project.

I encourage you to take full advantage of the fall weather and hit the streets of downtown Fairhope for First Friday Art Walk each month, visit a new park or join us for Downtown Trick or Treat coming up at the end of October. It's a great time to take advantage of all Fairhope has to offer.

Sherry Sullivan, Mayor

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Public Meetings Listings

The Fairhope Planning Commission
MEETS AT 5PM | *City Council chambers*
FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH

The Fairhope City Council
MEETS AT 6PM | *City Council chambers*
THE SECOND AND FOURTH MONDAYS

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