

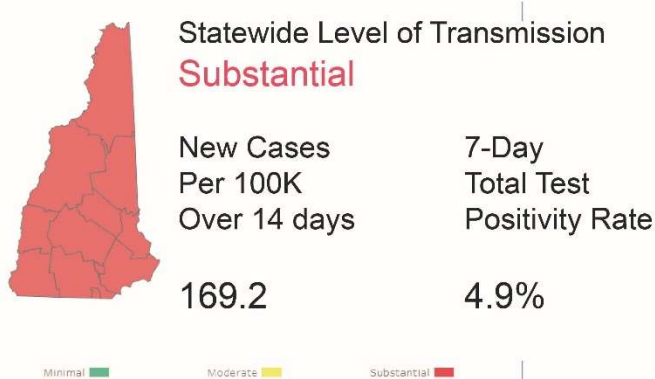
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



City Newsletter

Monday, August 16, 2021

MOBILE VACCINE VAN TEAM IN MARKET SQUARE WED AUG 18, 8 am to 1 pm – Free vaccinations are offered EVERY Wed through Sep 15. Although the mobile vaccine van itself needs to be elsewhere, look for the City vehicle and Mobile Vaccine banner in front of Piscataqua Savings on Pleasant Street. The authorized ConvenientMD vaccination team will still be giving vaccinations (all 3 available – J&J, Pfizer and Moderna) to anyone who wants one.



For the daily NH DHHS updates on COVID-19, go to:
<https://www.covid19.nh.gov/>



TUES AUG 17 THANK OUR VETERANS at 2:30 pm – The Gundalow has arranged a special sail for veterans (sold out) and invites the community to “come to our dock in Prescott Park as our Veterans board the Gundalow and offer them thanks, with a handshake, applause, whatever is most comfortable.”



DPW PROTECTING PARK MEMORIALS -- A crew from Daedalus, monument conservators in Watertown MA who are experts in caring for the plaques and statuary in Portsmouth public parks, is working with the DPW Parks & Greenery Division this week to clean and refinish the bronze plaques in Goodwin Park and Haven Park. They clean the bronze, repatinate it and then apply two different layers of clear finish to keep the letters legible and protect them from the weather.



DOES YOUR FAMILY NEED SCHOOL SUPPLIES? – The City of Portsmouth Welfare Dept. can provide backpacks and everything to fill them, thanks to donations from residents. Please contact Ellen Tully or Pam Mattingly at 603-610-7267 or etully@cityofportsmouth.com

NEW HAMPSHIRE VIRTUAL JOB FAIRS – NH Employment Security is hosting 5 job fairs in the next weeks of August. Register to attend and then chat with business representatives. Lists of participating businesses coming soon. For more information, click here: <https://business.nh.gov/nhesjobfair/>
Aug 17, Capital and Southern Regions, 11 am – 2 pm
Aug 19, Lakes Region, 11 am – 1 pm
Aug 24, Seacoast Region, 11 am–1 pm
Aug 26, White Mountains and Great North Woods, 11 am – 1 pm
Aug 30, Monadnock Region, 11 am – 1 pm

EMERGENCY RENTAL & UTILITIES

ASSISTANCE – The [CDC](#) put a new moratorium in place August 3rd, to prevent evictions in locations with substantial COVID-19 transmission -- including Rockingham County. For more information on whether you qualify and how to apply for emergency funds available to renters in NH, click here:

<https://www.capnh.org/covid19> The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) has also launched a new tool (<https://tinyurl.com/4hawaxf4>) that allows renters and landlords to find rental assistance programs in their area. Applications are handled through NH Community Action Partnership (CAP).



THINK BLUE STORMWATER DIVISION “DOG PARK DEBACLE” VIDEO -- A 90-second video, “Dog Park Debacle,” <https://youtu.be/NlRHssrDFxo> by DPW Stormwater and Water Quality GIS Specialist Phoebe Rafferty and summer associate Daniel Okuniewicz. Follow the new “Think Blue Portsmouth NH” page on Instagram. <https://www.instagram.com/thinkblueportsmouthnh>

CITY CLERK ANNOUNCES MUNICIPAL ELECTION FILING SEASON: MON AUG 30 – MON SEP 13 -- For more information, click here. <https://tinyurl.com/arjchzcw>

PORTSMOUTH NH 400TH RESUMES PREPARATIONS FOR 2023 -- The Executive Team includes Managing Director Valerie Rochon, Community Engagement Officer Susan Labrie and City Manager Karen Conard, with City Finance, Legal and Public Information resources in support. The Executive Team is convening a Task Force to support the Portsmouth NH 400th and invites individuals, businesses and organizations who want to join the team to contact Valerie Rochon at hello@PortsmouthNH400.org

CITY EARNS GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION “TRIPLE CROWN MEDALLION” FOR EXCEPTIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING -- Portsmouth is the only municipality in New Hampshire to receive the Triple Crown Medallion and one of just four municipalities in New England to have done so. For copies of the award-winning FY21 Budget Document, the FY20 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR), click here: <https://tinyurl.com/ydcus8tw>



ISLINGTON CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD PARKING PROGRAM NOW IN EFFECT --

Residents and businesses in this neighborhood may apply for one permit per vehicle and a maximum of three per residence/business. Residents of Portsmouth who live outside the pilot area may apply for one permit. The permits are tied to specific vehicles and are not transferable. There is no charge for the permit. **For more information, to submit comments or questions, click here.** <https://tinyurl.com/yfeyc92x>

DPW CONSTRUCTION THIS WEEK

For more information on construction projects in the city, visit the DPW page on the City website, then click on the Projects tab for a dropdown menu that links to an individual page for each project with updates, project background and an opt-in email list. <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks>

CHEVROLET AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT

Curbing is to be set in the area of the Malt House, starting Mon Aug 16. Concrete will be poured the following week.

BANFIELD ROAD -- Culvert replacement, sidewalk and traffic calming: Preparing for new sidewalk between Heritage and Ocean Road, curbing will be installed in this area this week. Once the curbing is placed, the process of constructing the sidewalk begins. In addition, two speed tables and two three-way stops -- at both the Heritage Ave. and Constitution Ave. intersections -- will be constructed during the final paving process. Paving will begin once the sidewalk is complete. **Paving: Starting Aug 16,** the section of Banfield from Peverly Hill Road to Constitution Ave. will be reclaimed, reinforced and graded so that it can receive its first layer of new pavement. That process will last approximately two weeks. **A single-lane traffic pattern is in effect for both areas, with flaggers in the construction areas, on weekdays between 7 am and 5 pm.**

ALDRICH ROAD TRAFFIC CALMING – Speed tables, curbing work and signage installation. Paving next week. Should be finalized by Aug 25.

CLOUGH DRIVE & LITTLE HARBOUR SCHOOL DRIVEWAY – Road work and paving completed. Striping Tues or Wed.

DENNETT STREET – Gas main replacement work continues to Labor Day. DPW will be able to complete their project immediately after that, finishing by the end of October.

MAPLEWOOD AVE COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT – Project is substantially completed. Thank you for your patience and cooperation!

ISLINGTON STREET – PAVING WEST OF BARTLETT ON SAT AUG 21 -- Islington St has returned to two-way traffic on weekends and overnight, but single-lane during the day for installation of curbing and sidewalks. For the weekly update and to subscribe to the weekly eblast, click here: <https://tinyurl.com/hb4wn9s>

LITTLE BAY WATER LINE PROJECT – The City is advancing a project to install an additional water line Little Bay to the city. As part of the standard permitting process, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (USACE) has published a Public Notice inviting public comment regarding the City's permit for the water line work. (Click here: <https://tinyurl.com/rnmjbpc> for File Number: NAE-2019-01078.) The deadline for comments is August 19, 2021.

BOARD AND COMMISSION VACANCIES – The following positions are open. If you are interested in applying for a Board or Commission, please complete this application and submit it to the City Clerk's Office. <https://tinyurl.com/2unv4wax>

- 1 Regular Member to the Building Code Board of Appeals (Pending submission of renewal application)
- 1 Alternate Member to the Building Code Board of Appeals –electrical engineer or master electrician
- 2 Alternate Members to the Conservation Commission
- 1 Alternate Member to the Historic District Commission
- 1 Alternate Member to the Planning Board

- 1 Regular Member to the Trees and Public Greenery Committee (pending submission of renewal applications)
- The Sustainable Practices Blue Ribbon Committee is also welcoming new members



FOR A LIST OF WALK-IN VACCINATION OPTIONS at hospitals and local pharmacy same-day sites, click here:

<https://tinyurl.com/kbvemrbk>

Note that some local pharmacies may not always have the Johnson & Johnson vaccine in stock.

I LOST MY PROOF-OF-VACCINATION CARD. NOW WHAT? All vaccination records are kept on file in the CDC National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) system. NH DHHS advises that you can replace a lost vaccination card in either of two ways:

1. Download and complete the vaccination card replacement request form here: <https://tinyurl.com/4pj4chcz> Note that the completed form **MUST BE NOTARIZED** before sending it back to NH DHHS.
2. If your healthcare provider has access to the NHIIS, ask him/her to print out the record directly from NHIIS.

For DHHS VACCINE FAQs, click here:

<https://tinyurl.com/tkvaksnw>

For Kids & COVID FAQs, click here.

<https://tinyurl.com/49anabp9>

For COVID-19 Treatment FAQs, click here.

<https://tinyurl.com/5bhmksy2> Ask your health-care provider about avoiding hospitalization once infected with COVID-19, by receiving the monoclonal antibody treatment described in these FAQs.

For Testing FAQs click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/testing-faqs>

For Ventilation FAQs click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/ventilation-faqs>

For more information, visit City's page on
COVID-19: <https://tinyurl.com/2ywc6ab>

**Want to know more about what's happening in
the City?** Click on the QR code or link below to sign
up for the City Newsletter and/or individual email
lists for projects. <https://tinyurl.com/y2p67par>

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