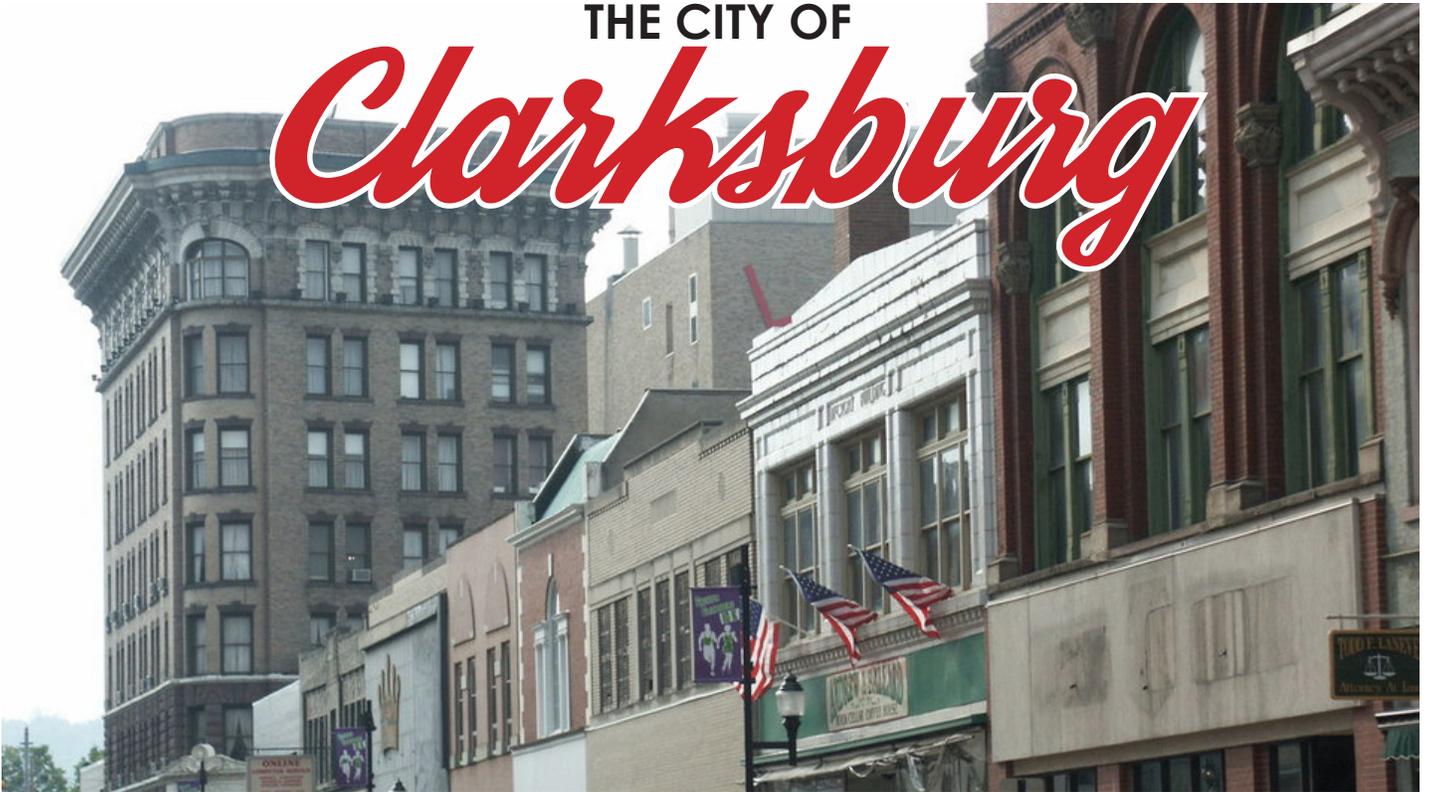


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Welcome to the City of Clarksburg newsletter! We are excited to have this dialogue with you and we anticipate fruitful discussions about the varying topics and issues facing our community. One of the top priorities for our Council is to strengthen the lines of communication between residents and Council. City matters affect our everyday lives, and this newsletter is part of the efforts of our Council to ensure that information is available to all community members.



We will strive to deliver timely information related to ongoing projects, community-based initiatives, open house events, current events and decision-making by the Council and staff. You can also find the City of Clarksburg on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Instagram. As well, we encourage community members to contact Council or staff with any and all inquiries, concerns or comments. We are here to assist you.



An Economic Development Plan for the City of Clarksburg

The city's new Economic Plan aims to foster growth and revitalization through a structured strategy developed by APEX Associates and city stakeholders, which includes quantitative data analysis, community engagement, and setting clear priorities and actions.

The strategy is anchored around six primary goals: revitalizing downtown, nurturing human capital, enhancing tourist appeal, optimizing land use, building an inclusive economy, and improving community wellness.

Detailed Goals and Strategies

Goal 1: Downtown Revitalization

Focus on supporting new and existing businesses, attracting investments, and enhancing the downtown area's appeal through various programs including grants and collaborative projects.

Goal 2: Human Capital Development

Clarksburg plans to collaborate with educational institutions and businesses to provide training and job opportunities, aiming to create a skilled workforce that meets local industry needs.

Goal 3: Tourist Attraction

The city intends to increase its tourist traffic by 20% by promoting its historical and cultural sites, organizing events, and using innovative marketing strategies.

Goal 4: Land Use and Community Planning

Strategies include developing a comprehen-

sive land use plan that encourages sustainable growth and community engagement, addressing housing diversity, and improving infrastructure.

Goal 5: Economic Inclusivity

Efforts will be made to leverage tax credits and create investment opportunities in designated zones within the city to stimulate economic activity and support local businesses.

Goal 6: Community Wellness

Plans to enhance quality of life through health and wellness programs, addressing social issues like addiction and homelessness, and beautifying the city to improve public spaces and encourage active lifestyles.

Implementation

The plan emphasizes quick and sustainable actions, regular updates, and ongoing evaluations to maintain momentum and adapt to new challenges as they arise.

Collaboration with local businesses, government entities, and the community is key to the success of the strategic plan.

Conclusion

This strategic plan serves as a call to action for all stakeholders in Clarksburg to participate in the city's growth and help achieve the outlined goals, aiming to create a thriving, inclusive, and prosperous community.

From the Clarksburg Police

BIKE PATROLS

As the weather warms up and you start getting out and about around Downtown Clarksburg, you might catch a glimpse of Clarksburg Police Officers on bike patrols.

Last year the City of Clarksburg purchased two specialty e-bikes to be used for downtown patrols during the day and early evening hours, enabling us to expand the current downtown patrol area with quicker response times.

These e-bikes are specialty designed all-terrain pedal bikes that provide electric powered assistance when needed, offering quicker response and supportive pedal assistance

needed in areas around town with steep hills.

One major benefit of the e-bikes is their usefulness in areas that are not easily accessible by vehicle, (trails, parks, railroad properties, etc.). Eventually, the new bikes will be used in neighborhoods that are experiencing a sudden increase in criminal activity. They will also provide improved citizen protection and police response during special events where large crowds and increased foot traffic occur (parades, local public events, etc.).



From the Code Enforcement Department

SEE CLICK FIX IS BEING REPLACED

Clarksburg's Reporting Tool, "See Click Fix" has been retired and the city is preparing to launch a new tool to help record and address citizen concerns in the most efficient way possible. Clarksburg's Code Enforcement department is migrating to a new online management tool that will help make addressing citizen reports easier and more transparent to city leadership and to ensure the public's concerns are being addressed in a timely and efficient manner.

Please Email Concerns

Until the new tool is fully implemented and live, we request that any citizen concerns be emailed to the Code Enforcement Department, and they will ensure the correct department is notified of your issue. You can email Code Enforcement at: codeenforcement@cityofclarksburgwv.com

Please include the address or location of

the issue and if possible, include supporting photographs so that the proper department can locate and address your concern.

You Can Delete the City of Clarksburg App

Because we are no longer using See Click Fix for citizen reporting, you can now delete the City of Clarksburg App from your iPhone or Android. Any reports submitted using the app will no longer be sent to the City of Clarksburg.



Thank you for your patience as we work to launch our new citizen reporting tool. We'll announce the new tool on our website, social media, newsletter and biweekly City Manager Update in the Exponent Telegram.



From Clarksburg City Parks

THERE IS A LOT HAPPENING AT CLARKSBURG CITY PARKS!

Things continue to warm up as Clarksburg's City Parks Department announces an array of upgrades and new additions set to enhance the community's outdoor and entertainment experiences. At the heart of this revitalization is the Veterans Memorial Park, home to the Clarksburg Amphitheater, which is gearing up to host an electrifying mix of FREE and ticketed events. From the nostalgic rock vibes of David Lee Roth era Van Halen tribute by JUMP, to the soulful grooves of Queen City Funk and Soul, and the legendary tunes of Tony! Toni! Toné! featuring D'Wayne Wiggins, there's something for every music enthusiast.

But the excitement doesn't stop there. Clarksburg's hidden gem, the River Bend Miniature Golf course is receiving a makeover, promising even more fun

for families and friends. Meanwhile, the construction of new Pickleball courts is underway, promising a new hub for sports enthusiasts by Memorial Day weekend. And let's not forget our neighborhood parks, where new playgrounds are being installed, ensuring that Clarksburg's youngest residents have modern, safe, and exciting places to play and explore.

With these upgrades and the array of events at the Clarksburg Amphitheater, Clarksburg City Parks invites everyone to enjoy the outdoors right here in our city. Whether you're swinging a putter, attending a concert, or enjoying the new play areas, Clarksburg is the place to be this Memorial Day weekend and beyond. Don't miss out on these incredible experiences. Follow **City Parks of Clarksburg** on Facebook, visit **ClarksburgAMP.com** or call 304-624-1655 for more information.



City Board Vacancies

If you would like to be more active in your city, one excellent way to do that is to contribute your time as a member of a city board or commission. Currently, the following boards are looking for new members:

Urban Renewal Authority

Five commissioners appointed by the City Manager with the advice and consent of the City Council serve a five year term.

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month at 8:15 AM

Requirements: There are no special requirements to serve as a commissioner, any interested Clarksburg citizen is welcome to apply.

Application deadline: March 29, 2024

Code Appeals Board

Five members approved by City Council serve a five year term.

Meetings: As needed when quorum is available.

Requirements: Per Section 113.3 of the BOCA National Building Code/2012, the board of appeals shall consist of members who are qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction and are not employees of the city.

Application deadline: Open deadline until all positions are filled.

Parking Authority

Five members appointed by City Council serve a three year term

Meetings: As needed when quorum is available.

Requirements: There are no special requirements to participate on this board. Any interested Clarksburg citizen is welcome to apply.

Application deadline: Open deadline until all positions are filled.

Some boards may require specific qualifications. For more information check out the links to the boards and commissions above or contact the City Clerk 304-624-1673 awright@cityofclarksburgwv.com

Local Business Updates

Delish-US Food Truck

This month, Clarksburg native Robert Tiano II opened his new food truck (actually, food bus) Delish-US WV. Serving up a menu of Italian-inspired restaurant quality meals. While they will normally be traveling around to various locations, they have regular stop in Downtown Clarksburg at the parking lot of the Empire Bank Building (MVB Bank) every Tuesday starting at 11AM.



Follow their **Delish-US WV** Facebook page for schedule. Also available for catering.

Phone: 304-841-5289

Email: delishuswv@yahoo.com

Also Opening in April

Clarksburg will also see two new businesses opening in the month of April:

Ella's Playtown

206 Emily Drive- Eastpointe

Grand Opening: 04/23/2024

Clarksburg Pizza Co.

1704 W Pike St.- Adamston

Grand Opening: 04/23/2024

Smitty's Pizza Recognition



As a long-standing Clarksburg business, Smitty's Pizza was recognized this month by Clarksburg's City Council.

In 1970, Smitty's Pizza was founded by Dominick "Smitty" Brunetti who was a barber by trade but due to the declining barber business at the time because everyone was wearing long hair, Dominick found the need to remarket himself. Being the son of an outstanding cook, a recipe was put into motion resulting in the founding of Smitty's Pizza.

Smitty's Pizza built its reputation on serving quality foods with great pride at reasonable prices. This tradition is carried on today as Smitty's Pizza remains an independent, family-owned and operated restaurant, under the ownership of Dominick "Duke" Brunetti and his wife, Barbara.

Now, 54 years later, Smitty's Pizza continues its tasty tradition of proudly serving "great tastes for all tastes" making Smitty's Pizza the icon we all know and love today!

1639 Hamill Ave.

North View Neighborhood

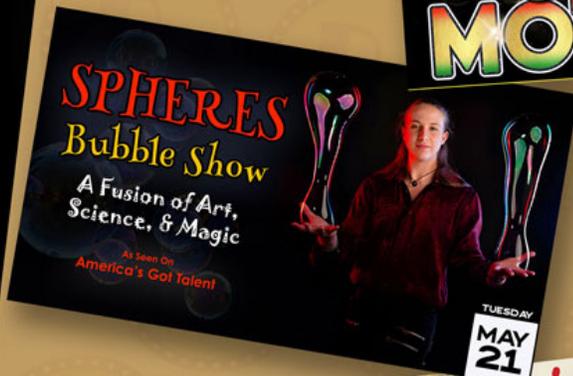
(304) 622-9010

It's Happening in Clarksburg

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE ROBINSON GRAND?



MAY 2024



TICKETS:
THEROBINSONGRAND.COM
(855) 773-6283

First Fridays Downtown Clarksburg

First Fridays is a monthly all-weather event that takes place on the first Friday of each month. It's a community event aimed at promoting local businesses, arts, and culture in the downtown area.

Pop-up Paddle Every Thursday at Veterans Memorial Park

Weekly Pop-Up Paddles organized by Guardians of the West Fork Watershed returned to Clarksburg starting in April. Meeting up at Clarksburg's Veterans Memorial Park at the boat launch next to the ball fields every Thursday at 6PM.

Check Out What's Happening at the Clarksburg Amphitheater

The Summer Season kicks off with two FREE shows at The Amp May 24 & 26. New ticketed shows still being announced. Learn more at: clarksburgamp.com

