

EDMONSTON NEWS



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Recent Legislative Actions by the Mayor and Council

April 11, 2011

1. Approval of additional permit parking areas for Doyle Printing and revise signs at 5200 block of 47th Ave. from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to Permit Parking Only. Motion made by CM Farrish, second by CM McCauley.
Motion passed, Mayor Ortiz in favor.
2. Approval of additional 6' chain link fence of corner if 51st avenue and Crittenden St. (approximately 12' by 24' long). Motion to table made by CM McCauley, second by CM Kerns. Motion tabled.
3. Approve of estimate of \$5,000 from VMP Construction Company to raise sidewalk and raise driveway at 5205 Decatur St. to stop ponding. Motion made by CM McCauley, Second by CM Kerns.
Motion passed, Mayor Ortiz in favor.
4. Approval of purchase of toters for environmental use from Toter Inc. not to exceed \$ 17,000. Motion made by CM Kerns, second by CM Giddens.
Motion passed, Mayor Ortiz in favor.

May 9th, 2011

1. Action on request for additional 6' fence for property on corner if 51st Avenue and Crittenden St. (approximately 12' by 24' long) - previously tabled. Motion to re-table made by CM McCauley, second by CM Kerns. Motion tabled.

Public Hearing Announcement

On the potential transfer of the tennis courts located at the MNCPPC - Crittenden Neighborhood Park to ECO City Farms.

Monday, May 23rd 2010 at 7:30 p.m.
Edmonston Town Hall

The Town Administrator Informs:

The enclosed is the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. A public hearing will be held on June 6th, 2011 at 7 p.m. for residents to learn more about the used for your tax dollars

Please attend

Proposed Budget for 2011-2012

	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>
General Government	\$ 347,489	\$ 324,298
Police Department	\$ 710,275	\$ 713,243
Public Works	<u>\$ 299,880</u>	\$ 265,167
Capital Expenditures		<u>\$ 71,417</u>
Totals:	\$ 1,357,644	\$ 1,374,125
Revenues:	\$ 1,357,644	\$ 1,374,125

Proposed Tax Rate (Same as Current Rate): \$ 0.60 per \$ 100 Assessed

Proposed Business Personal Property Tax Rate: \$ 1.50 per \$ 100 Assessed

Copies of the Proposed Budget will be available to the public
On May 23, 2010, at the Town Hall

Meeting Notice:

Set Tax rate for 2011-2012	June 6 st . 2011 at 7:00 pm
Budget Hearing - All are invited	June 6 th , 2011 at 7:00 pm
Final Budget Adoption	June 30 th , 2009 at 7:00 pm

All meetings will be held in the Town of Edmonston, Town Hall

From the Mayor's Desk

Dear Neighbor,

I congratulate Mayor-Elect Robert Kerns and incoming Council Members Bennett-White, Bee and Pooley. I know that they will be an excellent team to take our Town forward.



I also want to thank Councilwoman Betsy McCauley for her service over the years. She was always ready with ideas and helped make good proposals better with the Town's best interest at heart. In the few times we disagreed, we were always *agreeable* and she helped us pay attention to things we may have missed. She has been a wonderful colleague and friend. I also want to thank Councilwoman Giddens for her years of service, particularly for improvements to Veterans Park.

Our town runs well because of the hard work of our staff. Michelle and Carmen have been a wonderful front line for resident concerns, ensuring that you get the services that you pay for and deserve. Our public works team of Rey and Steve have worked so hard to keep us clean, proud and plowed. Chief Steve Walker has brought a new level of professionalism that has led to a new level of public safety that is the envy of our neighbors, he has definitely been the right person at the right time. With Captain Sullivan they have built a respected and respectful corps of community-minded officers in Officers Hartnett, Minnick, Burroughs, and Jones. Finally, Guy Tiberio has been a rock as our Town Administrator and a wizard with our budget. Although he comes from a very different background than I do, we worked together seamlessly sharing a desire to

always innovate. His mantra is "progress is our most important product" and he has much progress to be proud of. To each of them I am forever grateful.

My deepest thanks go to you, our residents. I tried my best to bring your expectations to reality. Over these six years, I am proud of our accomplishments and hope you are too.

Edmonston does not flood anymore because we fought for our new pumping station. We have received international recognition for our environmentally responsible (and beautiful) Green Street, and have become the statewide leader in sustainability. We have a much more comfortable and welcoming environment for all residents with our bilingual staff, as we "celebrate" (not just "tolerate") differences with our landmark "Diversity Without Division" bridge mural and promotion of our founders, the inspirational Plummer family. Crime is down a whopping 70% due to your directive to build a more visible and professional police department.

Financially, we have never been better as our revenues have doubled during our administration while keeping taxes low.

Taking your concerns to heart, our meetings are professional, respectful, and all viewpoints are invited to be heard. We have developed a brand and identity throughout the region that others communities respect and emulate - as we have been recognized by newspapers, radio and television for our assets as we attract a new wave of businesses, nonprofit organizations and residents. I am confident that the new administration will have their own achievements, and I will be in full support.

Being your Mayor has been the greatest privilege of my life. I thank you for having the opportunity to serve you, and hope I have met your expectations to make our small corner of the world a little bit better.

Your friend and neighbor,

Adam

Desde el Escritorio del Alcalde

Estimado vecino,

Felicito al alcalde electo Robert Kerns y los concejales entrantes Bennett-White, Bee y Pooley. Sé que van a ser un equipo excelente para avanzar en nuestra ciudad.



También quiero agradecer al concejal Betsy McCauley su servicio durante los años. Ella siempre estaba lista con ideas y ayudó a hacer buenas propuestas mejores, con el mejor interés de la ciudad en el corazón. En las pocas veces que estuvimos en desacuerdo, siempre estábamos agradables y nos ayudó a prestar atención a las cosas que nos podamos haber omitido. Ha sido un maravilloso colega y amiga. También quiero agradecer al concejal Giddens sus años de servicio, particularmente para mejoras en el Parque de veteranos.

Nuestro pueblo se ejecuta bien debido a la ardua labor de nuestro personal. Michelle y Carmen han sido una maravillosa como primera línea de contacto en cuanto las preocupaciones de nuestros residentes, asegurando que ustedes obtengan los servicios que pagan y merecen. Nuestro equipo de obras públicas de Rey y Steve ha trabajado arduamente para mantenernos limpios, orgulloso y paleados. El Jefe de la Policía Steve Walker ha traído un nuevo nivel de profesionalismo que ha dado lugar a un nuevo

nivel de seguridad pública que es la envidia de nuestros vecinos, definitivamente ha sido la persona adecuada en el momento adecuado. Junto con el Capitán Sullivan han construido un respetado y respetuoso cuerpo de oficiales preocupados por la comunidad en los oficiales Hartnet, Minnick, Burroughs y Jones. Por último, Guy Tiberio ha sido una roca como nuestro administrador de la ciudad y un mago con nuestro presupuesto. Aunque él proviene de un fondo muy diferente que yo, trabajamos juntos sin problemas compartir un deseo de innovar siempre. Su mantra es "progreso es nuestro producto más importante" y tiene mucho progreso para estar orgullosos. A cada uno de ellos para siempre estoy agradecido.

Mi agradecimiento más profundo gracias a ustedes, nuestros residentes. Puse lo mejor de mi para tratar traer sus expectativas a la realidad. En estos seis años, estoy orgulloso de nuestros logros y espero que ustedes también lo están.

Edmonston ya no se inunda, ya porque luchamos por nuestra nueva estación de bombeo. Hemos recibido reconocimiento internacional por nuestra ambientalmente responsable (y hermosa) Calle Verde. Convirtiéndonos en el líder estatal en sostenibilidad. Contamos con un entorno mucho más cómodo y acogedor para todos los residentes con nuestro personal bilingüe, y como "celebramos" (no sólo "toleráramos") las diferencias con nuestro mural del puente de hito "Diversidad sin División" y la promoción de nuestros fundadores, la familia inspiradora de los Plummer. El delito se ha bajado un sorprendente 70% debido a su directiva de construir un departamento de policía más visible y profesional.

Financieramente, nunca hemos estado mejores, nuestros ingresos se han duplicado durante nuestra administración, manteniendo así los impuestos bajos. Hemos tomado en serio sus

preocupaciones, nuestras reuniones son profesionales, respetuosa, y todos los puntos de vista de los invitados se han escuchados. . Hemos desarrollado una marca e identidad en toda la región que otras comunidades respetan y emulan – ya que hemos sido reconocido por los periódicos, la radio y la televisión para nuestros activos, así como atraemos una nueva ola de negocios, organizaciones sin fines de lucro y residentes. Confío en que la nueva administración tendrá sus propios logros, y tendrán mi completa apoyo.

Siendo su alcalde ha sido el mayor privilegio de mi vida. Gracias por tener la oportunidad de servirle y espero que he cumplido con sus expectativas para mejorar un poco nuestro pequeño rincón del mundo.

Su amigo y vecino,

Adam

From the Office of the Chief of Police

The following is a list of activities officers initiated or received a call requesting service or assistance

Police Department Activity:	March 2011	April 2010
Arrests	6	0
Drive While Intoxicated Arrests	1	
Maryland Moving Violations Issued	209	2
Parking Citations	70	61
Recovered Stolen Autos	1	0
Traffic Violation Warnings	221	106
Vehicle Impounds	13	24
Vehicle Safety Repair Orders	43	54
Warrant Service Arrest	4	3
Accidents	6	5
Armed Suspects	0	0

Assaults	2	0
Assist Fire Dept/Other Agency/Code Enforcement	23	23
Burglar Alarms	4	0
Breaking & Entering Residential	1	2
Breaking & Entering Commercial	1	1
Carjacking	0	0
Check on Welfare of Resident	4	0
Customer Dispute Call	2	3
Death Investigation Call	0	0
Disorderly Persons	4	1
Domestic Disturbance	4	4
Fight in Progress	2	2
Hold up Alarm	1	0
Homicide	1	0
Identity Theft	0	0
Juvenile Complaints	0	0
Landlord Tenant Dispute	1	0
Loud Noise Complaint	1	2
Robbery	0	0
Security Checks of Premises	385	12
Calls for Sounds of Gunshots	2	1
Stolen Auto Reports	1	0
Suspicious Persons	5	5
Suspicious Vehicles	6	11
Theft Reports	5	4
Calls for Unknown Trouble	1	1
Vandalism Reports	1	1
Calls for 911 Hang-ups	3	1
Miscellaneous	<u>28</u>	<u>20</u>
Total Calls for Service	100	99

Code Enforcement Activity:	January 2011	February 2010
Verbal Warnings Issued	20	28
Parking Tickets Issued	8	2
Municipal Citations Issued	8	0
Enforcement / Warning Letters or Notices Issued	11	14
Citizen Contact - Complaints or Assistance	2	2
Stop Work Orders Issued	2	0
Animal Complaints Investigated	2	2
Successful Compliances	30	31
Ongoing / Follow-up Investigations / Enforcement	31	17
Impounded Vehicles	0	0
Abatements	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Code Violations	49	38

Loud Music, Loud Parties

Its 11:00 PM on 4th of July weekend and you are having a party. You have 100 of your closet friends over and your stereo or band (Hopefully not) is playing so loud that they can hear you in Hyattsville and Riverdale. The police come to your door and ask you to turn it down. You agree but as you head out to the back yard to visit some more with your friends, someone else turns the music back up to eardrum shattering level and the neighbors start complaining again. What can you expect?

The Town of Edmonston Police Department wants you to enjoy your party and have a good time. We are also committed to the preservation of peace and good order in our community. If the Edmonston Police receives calls for loud music, loud parties or other noise

complaints we will respond. This is how we will handle it.

The first time we respond to your residence we will ask you to lower the music. We will respond a couple of more times and do the same. If we respond more than three times in the same night to one residence (or business) for excessively loud noise or music we will likely issue a citation or make a physical arrest. We will also request neighboring police departments to accompany us to the residence and order the party closed and escort all persons from the residence. Please don't let this happen to you.

I wish you a safe and enjoyable summer and ask you to work with the Edmonston Police Department by having reasonable parties that do not disturb your neighbors.

If you are unsure of what is allowed please contact the Edmonston Police Department at 301-699-8805.

Música Ruidosa, Fiestas Ruidosos

Son las 11:00 P.M. del 4 de fin de semana de julio y usted tiene una fiesta. Usted como tiene 100 amigos en su hogar y su estéreo o banda (esperemos que no) está tocando excesivamente alto que pueden ser oído en Hyattsville y Riverdale. La policía viene a su puerta y le pide que usted que baje el volumen. Usted acede pero mientras usted se dirige a compartir con las amistades nuevamente, pero otra persona la vuela a subir los vecinos comienzan a quejarse otra vez. ¿Qué puede usted esperar?

El Departamento del Policía desea que usted disfrute su fiesta y pase un rato agradable. A igual que estamos comprometidos con la preservación de la paz y orden en nuestra comunidad. Si recibimos llamadas de música

alta, fiestas ruidosas u otras quejas del ruido responderemos. Serán atendidas de esta forma.

La primera vez que respondemos a su residencia pediremos que usted baje la música. De esta misma forma se atenderá en 3 ocasiones. Ahora bien si tenemos que responder una 4ta ocasión, la misma noche a una residencia (o al negocio) para el ruido o música excesivamente fuerte se le dará una citación y/o pueden ser arrestado. También solicitaremos ayuda a otros departamentos de policía cercanas acompañarnos a la residencia para a paralizar la fiesta y escoltar a todas las personas de la residencia. No deje por favor esto sucederle.

Le deseo un verano seguro y agradable y pido que usted trabaje con el departamento del policía de Edmonston teniendo fiestas razonables que no incomoden a sus vecinos. Si usted es inseguro de lo permitido, por favor comuníquese con nosotros 301-699-8805.

New Toters

In June all residents will be receive new toters to be used for recycling. You will now be able to do away with the buckets that are currently in use and due to the size of the new toter (if you desire) you may wait up to two or three weeks before having to place on the curb for pick up.

These toters will be in yellow and with Edmosnton clearly marked on each side. All glass, plastic and paper can be placed in each toter.

Contendores Nuevos

En junio todos los residentes recibirán un nuevo contendor para reciclaje. Ahora podrá acabar con los cubos que están actualmente en uso y debido al tamaño del nuevo contendor (si gusta) pueden esperar hasta dos o tres

semanas antes de tener que sacar para ser recogida.

Estos contendores serán de color amarillo y con Edmonston claramente marcada a los lados. Todo vidrio, plástico y papel pueden puesto dentro en ello.

Plant Sale

The **Neighborhood Farm Initiative** is returning to Community Forklift for their second annual plant sale! They will be at our warehouse every Saturday in May from 10am - 1pm.



Seedlings will be \$1.50 - \$3.50, including Tomatoes, Peppers, Basil, Lettuces, Kale, Collards, Parsley, Oregano, Thyme, Cilantro, Cat Grass, and more!

For pre-ordering or more information, **email NFI** or call 301-779-2321. Proceeds benefit their work to create demonstration gardens for hands-on community-wide gardening education, thereby increasing access to fresh vegetables for all members of our community, regardless of income.

Heritage Bike Rally:

Anacostia Trails Heritage Areas 5th Annual "Heritage Ride" Saturday, June 4, 2011 8:30am to 12:30pm

Meet at Paint Branch Parkway, College Park, MD (former 94th Aero Squadron parking lot) There are four levels of rides - from kids to advanced rides.

Registration is \$20 w/ a discount for families. Breakfast, lunch and t-shirt provided.

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Calendar

May 23rd Public hearing: Crittenden Park
May 30th Memorial Day
June 6th Council Meeting
Swearing in Ceremony
Public Hearing on budget

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Foreclosures help 1877-462-7555
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www.BV9FD.com

Bates Trash/ Bulk Trash 301 773-2069

Call-A- Bus 301 499-8603

Comcast Cable 301 731-4260

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