



March 2021

Upcoming Public Meetings:

Town Board at 7 pm

- March 1 (Monday)
- March 16 (Tuesday)
- April 5 (Monday)
- April 20 (Tuesday)

Planning Board at 6 pm

- March 15 (Monday)
- April 19 (Monday)

Board of Adjustment at 7 pm

- April 12 (Monday)

Meetings are at Town Hall,
134 N. Main Street, Fuquay-Varina

Due to restrictions on public gatherings, entry to Town Hall is limited but public meetings can be accessed virtually.

www.fuquay-varina.org/boardmeeting

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Community Center North and Senior Center



This rendering is for illustrative purposes only.

The Town of Fuquay-Varina is excited to announce the design of the Community Center North/Senior Center is in the preliminary stage! We are beginning the process of gaining input in the consideration of various components and amenities for future design and the eventual construction to be

considered in the facility.

The Town has engaged a design team led by HH Architecture, which includes senior-active adult center specialists, Lifespan Design Studio. The new Center will offer a broad spectrum of programs and amenities for Fuquay-Varina residents of all ages, with dedicated space to accommodate an expanded slate of activities for active adults. Most importantly, the goal of the new Community Center North/Senior Center will be to promote mental, physical, and emotional health for all community members through quality-of-life programming.

The new facility will be located at Hilltop Needmore Town Park and Preserve Park (HNTPP). The Community Center North/Senior Center are part of the 2020 Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources (PRCR) Systemwide Master Plan which was adopted in July 2020. HNTPP is 143-acre park with five miles of paved trails and open green space. The remaining property at HNTPP will be Master Planned in Fiscal Year 2022.

We recognize the diverse nature of our growing community and the necessity for a new Community Center to offer activities and programs that are of interest to all our residents. This facility will also help to accommodate the growth in program demand in Fuquay-Varina. For example, the Town currently rents gym space to accommodate our successful basketball program.

The first step in this design process will be a robust Public Engagement Phase geared toward facilitating a discussion, gathering input, and developing a program that meets the needs of the entire community now and in the future. That's where you come in!

Over the next couple of months, we want to hear from you and learn about the programs and activities that are important to you and your family. There will be many opportunities for you to engage in this discussion, including surveys, Q&A sessions, and public meetings. While the majority of these will be held virtually or on digital platforms for your safety, we are working to provide opportunities for in-person engagement as well.

Visit www.fuquay-varina.org/ccn-sc to learn more and stay up to date on upcoming opportunities to engage in this process. We look forward to hearing from you!

State of the Town Presentation – March 1

Fuquay-Varina Mayor John W. Byrne will present the 2020 State of the Town on Monday, March 1 at 6:30 pm. The presentation will be done virtually! Check www.fuquay-varina.org for more details on how to attend this important meeting highlighting accomplishments from a challenging, yet successful year for the Town of Fuquay-Varina! If you miss the presentation, you'll be able to view it on the town's website at your convenience.

Correct Address for Utility Payments

Many folks continue to mail utility payments to the old Town Hall address which slows crediting of payments to your account! Please mail utility payments to 134 N. Main Street Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526

You can avoid the mail conundrum altogether! A popular option for paying your utility bill is setting up an automatic bank draft. This service deducts the amount of your utility bill on the day before it is due each month from a checking or savings account. You can set up the draft by completing the bank-draft-authorization-form on the Town's website and returning it to Town Hall with a voided check. If you have questions about this option call 919-552-1404.

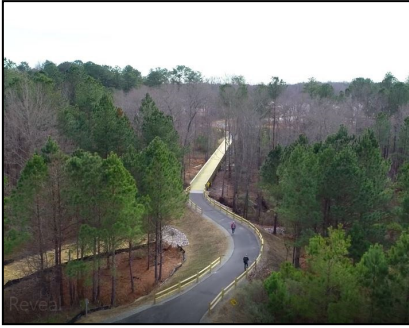
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Nextdoor

Park Depot Greenway Trail Opens

The Park Depot Greenway Trail officially opened at the end of January. The entire greenway spans 2 miles with the newly constructed portion including a boardwalk that crosses wetlands and connects Old Honeycutt Road Park to the South Lakes subdivision with connectivity to Willow Spring High School and South Lakes Elementary School.



Aerial view of Park Depot Trail Boardwalk

The \$1.2 million cost of the Park Depot Greenway was entirely paid for through a combination of grants including a Wake County Facilities Grant and a CAMPO Grant. Access the trail at the back of Old Honeycutt Road Park on the walking trail or on the trailhead at the parking lot on Hwy. 55 near the John Deere plant.

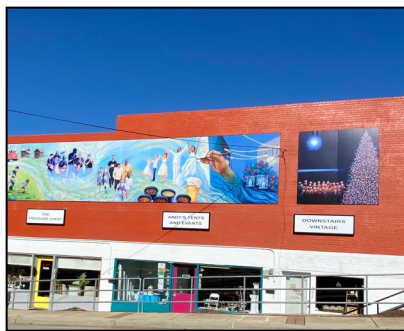
Fuquay-Varina Ranked Safest Town in NC

MoneyGeek recently analyzed 989 small cities and towns in America with populations between 30,000 and 50,000 and ranked Fuquay-Varina as the #1 Safest Small Town in North Carolina! Fuquay-Varina also ranked #76 in the United States! We think it has a lot to do with our outstanding police department and our great citizens and their shared commitment to a safe community! Keep up the good work!



Check Out the New Downtown Mural

This lovely mural has been installed on the wall at the corner of S. Main and W. Vance Streets. The mural, which is 14 panels, is 59' by 9' and reflects the many events hosted by several organizations in Fuquay-Varina that both enrich and nurture our community. The original artwork is by local artist Vickie Wilson and has been digitally reproduced. Make sure to check it out!



New mural located at S. Main/W. Vance St