

Kensington Around Town October 2020

It's Time to Vote!
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Join us for the **VIRTUAL
Pumpkin Rock N' Roll!**
Premiering on the GIGS YouTube
channel later this month.
More info coming soon!
www.gigsstudio.com



Town Council Zoom Meeting
Monday, October 19 • 7pm
Agenda available Oct 16

Trash to Treasure *day!*

**Saturday, October 10
9am to 1pm**

SUPPORTING NEIGHBORS & NOYES

Take a stroll through your neighborhood to find hidden treasures using a street map* as your guide. Some locations will have all free items left at the curb, some will have yard sales, and some will be a combination yard sale/free items. A portion of the yard sale proceeds will be donated to the Noyes Children's Library Foundation.

PORCH PIT STOP (12-2pm)

Make a pit stop along the way at 10310 Fawcett St for refreshments, music, and safe socially distant neighborhood socializing courtesy of Kyle Richards. Hope to see many Kensington neighbors!



Raindate Sunday, October 11

*Go to tok.md.gov/events or 10310 Fawcett St on day of event.

HOWL WEEN PUPPY PARADE

Sunday, November 1  at 3pm

A PUPPY COSTUME PARADE!

Bring your dog, two years
and younger to the
Kensington Dog Run
located at 10450 Metropolitan Ave.
Owners must wear masks
and social distance.
Prizes will be awarded.
Rain date will be
November 8 at 3pm.



Sponsored by:
TOK Dog Run
Committee



Be a Hero #MaskUpMoCo SPREAD LOVE NOT GERMS



MaskUpMoCo.com | IT'S THE LAW

Be a Hero and Wear a Mask

The #MaskUpMoCo campaign is a multi-lingual effort to show that everyone in Montgomery County has a responsibility to protect public health so that our economy can continue to reopen safely.

For Montgomery County's Mask Guidance, please go to: MontgomeryCountymd.gov/covid19/face-coverings.html

Election 2020

Presidential General Election Day

Tuesday, November 3, 2020 7am-8pm

Elections.Maryland.gov MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/Elections

Presidential General Voter Registration Close • Tuesday, October 13, 2020

How to Register - VoterServices.Elections.Maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration/InstructionsStep1

Are You Registered? - VoterServices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch

Two Ways To Vote in 2020

1. In Person Voting - MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/Elections

a. Early Voting | Monday, October 26 through Monday, November 2, 2020 • 7am to 8pm Daily

Location - MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/Elections/EarlyVoting

b. Election Day | Tuesday, November 3, 2020 • 7am to 8pm

Location - VoterServices.elections.maryland.gov/PollingPlaceSearch

No Voting at Town Hall on Election Day

2. Mail-In Voting - MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/Elections

a. Your request for a mail-in ballot must be received by Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Request Ballot - VoterServices.Elections.Maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration/InstructionsStep1

b. Follow directions on the mail-in ballot

c. Mail ballot on or before Tuesday, November 3, 2020 (**Strongly Suggest Mailing Early**)

d. Or, hand deliver your ballot by 8pm on November 3, 2020, an election day vote center, a ballot drop off box.

Ballot Drop Location - MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/Elections/dropbox.html

September 14, 2020 Town Council Meeting

Held by Zoom Video Conferencing

- Approved the Town Work Session Minutes of August 7, 2020.
- Approved the Town Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2020.
- Directed staff to draft an Ordinance to adopt the Montgomery County Pesticide Law for introduction at a future Town Council Meeting.
- Concurred with the Development Review Board's (DRB) recommendation to support the proposed Flats at Knowles Station project (10509 Summit Avenue), while continuing to focus on areas of consideration through the review process. Mayor Furman will forward the DRB letter, dated September 9, 2020, to the Planning Board with a transmittal letter noting the unanimous council vote supporting the project, along with the developer's pledge to meet LEED Silver Certification.
- Directed staff to explore drafting a potential Resolution in support of a local map amendment for the property located at 10509 Summit Avenue, which would propose changing the FAR from CRT 1.5: C 1.0, R 0.5, H 60 to CRT 1.5: C 0.5, R 1.0, H60, with the understanding of securing public parking options within any future project.
- Adopted **Resolution No. R-08-2020** – A Resolution to accept Program Open Space Grant (POS# 7107-15-715) and to override the Bid Process to authorize a contract with John Shorb Landscaping, Inc., for the removal and disposal of an existing pergola, existing concrete, and existing mulch path; and installation and construction of a replacement pergola, board walk and brick path, and provision and installation of two benches, in Clum-Kennedy Park.
- Adopted **Resolution No. R-09-2020** – A Resolution authorizing the Town Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Montgomery County to install and maintain a mural on the Summit Avenue bridge; and to authorize the Town Manager to enter into a contract with the Artist for the mural.
- Adopted **Resolution No. R-10-2020** – A Resolution authorizing the Town Manager to establish a 'No Parking' zone along the east side of Detrick Avenue, between 10411 Detrick Avenue and the egress/ingress apron at 3930 Knowles Avenue; and to change the existing "One (1) Hour Parking" restriction to "Two (2) Hour Parking, 7:30 am – 5:30 pm, M-F" along the east side of the 10400 block of Detrick Avenue.

Building & Town Permits

Please be reminded that both a Town and County permit are needed for any interior or exterior structural changes, with the exception of landscaping and general repairs. Historic District properties will also require a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). Please contact the Town staff at 301-949-2424 with any questions.

10544 Wheatley Street - New Home
 10547 St. Paul Street - Dumpster
 10027 Frederick Avenue - Addition

10607 Lexington Street - Shed
 10211 Montgomery Avenue - Addition
 10211 Montgomery Avenue - Utility
 10204 Frederick Avenue - Addition
 10112 Kensington Parkway - Dumpster
 3405 Ferndale Street - Fence
 10611 Nash Place - Fence
 3706 Farragut Avenue - Fence
 3915 Prospect Street - Solar Panels
 3919 Warner Street - Storage Container

Leave Your Leaves!

Helpful Tips from the Greenscape Committee

Instead of raking all your leaves to the curb for the town to pick up, consider raking them onto your flower beds. Shrubs, trees and perennial plants benefit from a 2"-3" layer of leaves around their roots during the winter. Shallow rooted azaleas particularly benefit from a layer of leaves over their roots. The leaves will form a mulch (a free mulch!) acting like a blanket that protects the plants from extreme temperature changes and holds moisture in the soil.

A layer of leaves on your flower beds also keeps cool weather weeds such as bittercress from germinating, and in the spring the leaves will slowly decompose, adding nutrients to the soil. You can

chop up the leaves with your lawn mower or just leave them as they are.

A few avid gardeners can be spotted around town in October collecting leaves for future use in the spring. Another 2"-3" layer of leaves added to your planting beds in the spring will slow down weed seed germination, and regulate soil temperature and moisture content. Much better than prepackaged mulch!

Using leaves as a mulch is also an ecological solution – leaves are local and don't need to be trucked into the area in bags. Using local leaves means that you are not adding weeds from a different area to your garden. And the more leaves you leave in your garden, the less the Town has to truck away!

Or, Have the Town Remove Them For You

The Town will begin its annual leaf collection Monday, November 9 and it runs through Friday, December 11. There are no scheduled collection zones, as the Public Works Crew will monitor each street on a daily basis.

Gather leaves inside curb as shown.

Please do not include grass clippings, mulch, twigs, or small branches within leaf piles, as this may damage our leaf vacuum. If your leaf pile contains any materials besides leaves, the Crew will not collect your pile, and you will be responsible for bagging the leaves on your own.



KENSINGTON



FARMERS' MARKET

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KENSINGTON
Unique Shopping, Dining, Arts & Events
ExploreKensington.com

What's New and Coming Soon!

ExploreKensington.com is getting a fresh look!

Pink Dot relocated & expanded on Howard Ave

Potomac Sweets will open on Armory Ave

Craft and Connect will open on Metropolitan Ave

deliClub Cafe & Market will open on Fawcett St

Bonjour Books DC hosts French & Spanish Classes

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