

CITY OF BERRY HILL

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Spring 2008 Newsletter

Community Design Standards Meeting <u>Draws Large Turnout</u>

An overflow crowd attended the city's January 22nd public meeting and open house to discuss development of community design standards.

Sixty property owners, residents and business owners saw a proposed district map and provided feedback on appropriate uses for each district. Attendees also participated in a "visual survey" in which they shared their reactions to photo slides of various buildings and streetscapes.

The city's planning consultants with Kimley-Horne and Associates have now compiled the results of the surveys and are preparing conceptual design plans based on the input from the public meeting. Meanwhile Ron Cooper, the city's planner, is drafting the regulatory text for the new zoning ordinance.

A second public meeting to obtain stakeholder input on the conceptual designs has been scheduled for Thursday, April 17th from 6 – 8 pm. To better accommodate a large number of attendees, the April meeting will be held at Rosedale Baptist Church, 503 Rosedale Avenue.

<u>In Memoriam</u>

It is with sorrow that we mark the passing of former Mayor Clarence Watson and that of Terry Spray, son of Mayor and Mrs. Harold Spray.

Row at Berry Hill Brings New Residents

The Row at Berry Hill, a 43unit townhome development on Rosedale Avenue, is nearing completion and a number of the townhomes are now occupied. If you are a new resident, we welcome you and invite you to contact city hall with any questions and to give us your contact information.

Haskins Reelected to City Commission Spray and Haskins Named Mayor and Vice-Mayor

In the city election held February 5th, Polly Haskins was reelected to a four-year term on the Berry Hill Board of Commissioners. Following her swearing in at the March Commission Meeting, the Commissioners reelected Harold Spray Mayor and Polly Haskins Vice-Mayor, for two-year terms. (At right, Mayor Spray presents Vice-Mayor Haskins her certificate of election)



Roll Call on the Yellow Brick Road to the 2007 Berry Hill Halloween Party









No Tinman? Maybe the Man of Steel will do.

City-Wide Yard Sale

The Berry Hill Merchants Association will be sponsoring its annual citywide yard sale on **Saturday**, **April 26**th, and invites all Berry Hill residents and businesses to participate.

To join in, all you have to do is sign up and contribute \$3 toward advertisement. You will receive a balloon to attach to your mailbox on the sale day to let browsers know you're participating.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Pat Embree of the Stitchin' Post at 383-3672.



Azalea Park Shelter & Berry Hill Community Center

The Azalea Park picnic shelter and the Berry Hill Community Center may be reserved for noncommercial purposes. Berry Hill residents and businesses may reserve on a first come/first served basis up to one year in advance. Nonresidents may reserve on a first come/first served basis up to one month in advance. There is no charge for using the facilities if you clean up after your event.



Azalea Park Shelter



Berry Hill Community Center

Spring Bulk Trash Pickup Set for First Two Fridays in April

Time for spring cleaning? On the first two Fridays in April, **April 4th and April 11th**, Berry Hill <u>residents with city-provided trash collection</u> may leave large items at the edge of the street in front of their homes by 7:00 a.m. to be collected by PDQ Disposal, the City's refuse contractor. Some items cannot be picked up due to environmental restrictions. They are as follows:

- Paint, oil and other hazardous liquids or solids
- Tires and batteries
- Air Conditioners unless freon free certificate is provided
- Refrigerators and freezers unless freon free certificate is provided

If you have a question about a particular item, please call **PDQ Disposal** at 254-6666. The spring and fall cleanups are the only times the City can help you dispose of large items. Please take advantage of this opportunity.



Info on Rosedale <u>Place Gates</u>

We have recently welcomed a number of new residents to Rosedale Place.

If you are a Rosedale Place resident and have not called city hall to give us information to program you into the automatic gate controller, please give us a call. The information needed includes (1) your last name for the controller directory, (2) your telephone number to allow you to remotely open the gate to admit visitors and (3) a 4-digit code to open the gate without a remote.

The walk-through gate into Rosedale Place has been locked with a cable lock because the gate will not latch and repair will require resetting the post holding the automatic vehicle gate.

Ordinance Reminders

Please remember the following ordinances and rules that help us keep Berry Hill a great place to live:

- Leaving dog waste on city property or on others' property without their permission is a violation of city ordinance and carries a \$25 fine.
- Dogs must be kept on their owners' property or in their owners' control at all times.
- Littering on city property or on others' property (including cigarette butts) carries a fine of up to \$50.
- To avoid parking citations, obey all no parking signs, do not park facing oncoming traffic, and do not block driveways, mailboxes or any part of a travel lane.
- Weeds, grass and undergrowth must be maintained at a height no greater than 8 inches.
- Garbage and refuse must be kept in durable, water tight trash containers with handles and lids. Only garbage placed in appropriate containers will be picked up. Containers must be placed either at the street or at locations adjacent to residences that are easily accessible to the City's waste contractor.
- Trash, rubbish and refuse must not be allowed to accumulate on one's property to the extent it creates a nuisance.
- Inoperative and unlicensed vehicles may not be parked, stored or left on any private property unless they are fully enclosed within a building or the storage is in connection with a properly licensed business and is necessary to the operation of said business.



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Public Works

Hours – Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Tel. – 615-297-2262

Upcoming Events

The second public meeting to assist with development of **Community Design Guidelines** will be held **Thursday, April 17**^{th,} **from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**, in the gymnasium of **Rosedale Baptist Church**, 503 Rosedale Avenue. All Berry Hill property owners, residents and business owners are encouraged to attend (See article on Page 1)

The Berry Hill Merchants Association's annual City-Wide Yard Sale will be Saturday, April 26th. All Berry Hill businesses and residents are invited to participate and everyone is invited to come shop Berry Hill. (See article on Page 2)

Be sure to mark **Saturday**, **June 28**th on your calendars. That's the date for the annual **Berry Hill Summer Picnic at Azalea Park** from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. There will be food, games and music. All Berry Hill residents and businesspeople and their families are welcome.



Berry Road Sidewalk Project Moves Forward

Following an assessment of various engineering obstacles, the path of the new Berry Road sidewalk has been determined. Beginning at the termination of the existing sidewalk on the south side of Berry Road (across from the post office), the new sidewalk will run along the south side of Berry to the Greystone Road

intersection. At Greystone, a new pedestrian crossing will bring the path from the south side of Berry to the north side, near the corner of the Bransford House Apartments property. Then the sidewalk will follow the north side of Berry Road to Bransford Avenue, where there will be a crosswalk to connect to the

existing Bransford Avenue sidewalk.

The Berry Road sidewalk, together with the Bransford Avenue sidewalk, will provide pedestrian access from Franklin Pike to Thompson Lane. The city hopes to have the project out to bid in time to start construction in the fall.