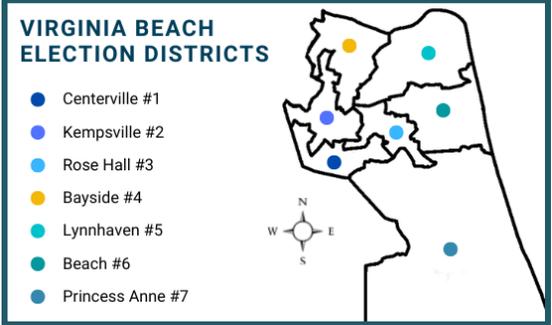




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APPLICATIONS FOR VACANT COUNCIL SEAT DUE JULY 8

Registered voters in the Bayside District who are interested in



filling the vacant **Bayside District Council seat** are encouraged to apply for consideration. Candidates must provide a letter of interest, resume or C.V. and a statement of economic interest. Application materials must be submitted by noon on Friday, July 8, to City Clerk Amanda Barnes. More info is available at VBgov.com/BaysideVacancy.

The citizen appointed by Council will hold office until Dec. 31, 2022. Applications will be reviewed in closed session on July 12. The City Council will interview selected candidates during a public special session on Aug. 2. Finalists will be announced, and Council will accept public comment on Aug. 9. City Council will vote to select the appointee on either Aug. 9 or 16.

CITY SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT ON VARIOUS INITIATIVES

The surveys can be found at www.SpeakUpVB.com.

- Noise Ordinance Updates:** The public is invited to share their opinions on the proposed amendments to the noise ordinance. Key changes in the noise ordinance include plainly audible standard, amplified sound enforcement, and criminal and civil penalties. Comments can be made online via survey through July 7 or at a community meeting from 2-4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, in Building 19 at the Municipal Center. Full details on the ordinance can be found at VBgov.com/noise.
- 2040 Comprehensive Plan:** Resident and stakeholder input is wanted on priorities and goals for the City’s growth and development over the decades to come as part of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan. A survey is available online through Sept. 1 to allow citizens to share their vision for the City’s future. Responses will be used to establish the community’s desired future and to guide strategic planning for other City services. For more info, visit VBgov.com/compplan.
- Light Festival Feasibility:** The City is exploring the feasibility of bringing an international art and light festival to the city. Members of the public are asked to provide feedback on whether this project would be of interest to the community and potential visitors. The survey is open through July 5. Related information is available at vbpublicart.org/blog/vblightfestival.

- CALENDAR REMINDERS -

- **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29:** The City invites the public to attend a virtual information meeting to learn more about the VB10 election system. Interested individuals can participate by emailing questions at R32313@PublicInput.com, leaving a voicemail by calling 855-925-2801 and using meeting code 4863 or texting R32313 to 855-925-2801.

OPPORTUNITIES

PUBLIC INVITED TO MEETING ON BOW CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION

The **Commercial Area Pattern Book** and **Bow Creek Neighborhood Resiliency Toolkit** is the subject of an upcoming public meeting set for Thursday, June 30, from 5:30-8 p.m. at the Planning and Community Development Office, 2875 Sabre Street, Suite 500. The **Planning Department**, in partnership with consultant Work Program Architects (WPA), will present preliminary concepts based on the public input received in February and March.

Upon assessment and comment of the concept drawings and illustrations, drafts of both documents will be developed for further public review. When completed, the Commercial Area Pattern Book will identify neighborhood compatibility strategies and develop design concepts based on community patterns, vision, and market trends within the strategic growth areas (SGA) and suburban areas of the city. The Bow Creek Neighborhood Resiliency Toolkit will provide guidance, flood resiliency strategies and best practices for residents in the Bow Creek area, which could be adapted to other areas of the city. For more info, visit VBgov.com/revitalization.

HUMAN SERVICES OFFERING FREE HIV TESTING

The **Department of Human Services** will offer **free HIV testing** in recognition of National HIV Testing Day on Monday, June 27. The confidential testing is available to individuals of all ages from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the DHS Administration Building, 3432 Virginia Beach Blvd. Those interested are encouraged to make an appointment by calling Robert Hewitt at (757) 385-0811, however walk-ins will be accepted.



Free HIV testing is provided at any time outside of National HIV Testing Day through DHS Wellness and Prevention Services. Screenings are available by appointment between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday at 258 N. Witchduck Road, Suite 2D. Call (757) 385-0811 to schedule an appointment.

APPLY TODAY FOR SUMMER COOLING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The **Department of Human Services** is accepting applications for the **Cooling Assistance Program**, which provides financial assistance for the purchase or repair of cooling equipment and/or payment of an electric bill to operate cooling equipment. Applications can be completed online at CommonHelp.Virginia.gov, by phone at 1-855-635-4370, or printed off the Human Services Financial Assistance [webpage](#) and left in the outside drop box at the DHS Administration Building, 3432 Virginia Beach Blvd. Applications are accepted until the program ends on Aug. 15. For more information such as qualifications, visit VBgov.com/HS.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

13 DEPUTY SHERIFFS GRADUATE

The **Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office** held its **52nd Basic Academy graduation ceremony** on June 1, recognizing 13 deputy recruits' successful completion of 17 weeks of training. For the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak in March 2020, the graduation was opened to family and friends at the Virginia Beach Law Enforcement Training Academy.

Sheriff Ken Stolle congratulated the graduates on their accomplishments and thanked them for their commitment to protecting and serving Virginia Beach. The 13 deputies have each met the Department of Criminal Justice Services' requirements for graduation and received their Basic Jailer and Civil Process certifications. They will be assigned to the Virginia Beach Correctional Center and bring the number of active, sworn Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office deputies to 399.



DID YOU KNOW...?

VIRGINIA BEACH IS A TOP PLACE TO RETIRE

Forbes recently ranked Virginia Beach as one of the top 25 places to retire in America for 2022. They compared 800 places with populations above 10,000 in every state and Washington, D.C. Factors taken into account include housing costs, taxes, healthcare, air quality, crime, walkability, bikeability, primary care doctors per capita, climate change and natural hazard risk. To read the article and complete list, visit www.forbes.com.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS/CLOSURES

- **HARBOR SEAL EXHIBIT:** The Virginia Aquarium began reconditioning the harbor seal exhibit last week. The seals will remain on exhibit during the first phase of construction and will move to a temporary exhibit behind the scenes for the second phase, beginning later this month. More details about the construction plan and progress are available here: www.virginiaaquarium.com/plan-your-visit/harbor-seal-exhibit-renovations

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

AQUARIUM HOLDS SUCCESSFUL GOLF FUNDRAISER

The **Virginia Aquarium** sold out its annual Golf Classic on May 11 at the Heron Ridge Golf Club with 144 players participating. Despite the cold, windy and rainy weather, the event reached the highest gross, highest net, highest sponsorships, and highest in-kind gifts ever while keeping expenses the lowest ever. Funds raised will support the Virginia Aquarium Foundation.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Painting is by nature a luminous language." ~ Robert Delaunay



ATTACHMENTS

- ◆ Virginia Beach Television (VBTV) Program Schedule | June 26 through July 2, 2022.



Cox Cable Channels 46, 47 & 48
Verizon Cable Channels 46, 47 & 45

PROGRAM SCHEDULE JUNE 26 – JULY 2, 2022

VIRGINIA BEACH TELEVISION provides locally produced programming to support the mission of the Virginia Beach Municipal Government and the Virginia Beach City Public School System. Program listings reflect expected airtimes but may be preempted by public meetings, hearings, and special events.

 e-Streaming is available at <https://www.vbgov.com/media> for all **LIVE** public sessions of Virginia Beach City Council and Planning Commission meetings, archives of previous meetings, and original VBTV programming. **LIVE** meetings and previous sessions of the Virginia Beach City School Board can be accessed at <http://www.vbschools.com/schoolboard/archive>.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

 **VIRGINIA BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING (Cox 48 / Verizon 45)** — *Recablecast of the June 21 meeting: Sun 9am; Thu 7pm; Fri 9am.*

 **VIRGINIA BEACH CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING (Cox 47 / Verizon 47)** — *Recablecast of the June 13 meeting: Mon 2pm. LIVE: Tue, Workshop 4pm; Formal Session 6pm. Recablecast: Wed 7pm; Sat 9am.*

 **VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATIONS (Cox 46 / Verizon 46)** — Each graduation will play at 10am, 2pm, and 6pm on the date indicated below.

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| Monday, June 27 | Salem High School |
| Tuesday, June 28 | Princess Anne High School |
| Wednesday, June 29 | First Colonial High School |
| Thursday, June 30 | Green Run Collegiate |
| Friday, July 1 | Kellam High School |

AccessVB (formerly Virginia Beach Television), is upgrading vital infrastructure and unable to present our usual spectrum of programming. As noted above, live meetings and replays of those meetings will continue unchanged because of their importance, but the remainder of our schedule will be replaced with Community Matters, our text-based information channel featuring current events and late-breaking news of interest to local citizens.

Visit our web site at
www.VBgov.com/VBTV

For more information regarding VBTV programming please contact the Creative Services Division at 385-1868 or multimedia@vbgov.com