



CITY SOURCE

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PUBLIC MEETING: FIFTH STREET UTILITY & STREETScape PROJECT, PHASE III

On Monday, March 12, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., the City of Lynchburg's Department of Water Resources will conduct a public meeting to discuss construction plans for the Fifth Street Utility & Streetscape Project, Phase III. The meeting will take place at Fifth Street Baptist Church, 1007 Fifth Street.



Representatives from the City of Lynchburg, Lynchburg City Schools, and GLTC will discuss the project time line, expected construction activities, detours, emergency routes, and alternate bus routes and stops.

This third phase of the Fifth Street Utility & Streetscape Project is planned to begin after March 12, 2018. Infrastructure improvements begun in 2009 will be completed including the replacement of the 100+ year old water main on Fifth Street and the installation of a new raw water main. The new water main will provide increased water capacity for the Fifth Street corridor and Downtown area. Additionally, new sidewalks, crosswalks, curbs, landscaping, light poles, and benches will be installed to refresh the streetscaping on Fifth Street.

During the project, Fifth Street will be closed in the construction area to all traffic, including emergency vehicles, on a block-by-block basis. The City is working closely with all businesses and residents in the project area to ensure that pedestrian access will be available to all properties at all times.

For more information, please visit the project website at www.lynchburgva.gov/fifthstreet or contact Jes Gearing, Department of Water Resources, at (434) 455-4251 or jes.gearing@lynchburgva.gov.

WHO YA GONNA CALL? DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Do you know how to reach the Lynchburg Police Department or the Lynchburg Fire Department for a non-emergency problem? Do you know about 2-1-1 or 5-1-1?

The City of Lynchburg's Department of Emergency Services recently launched a public outreach campaign entitled "Who Ya Gonna Call?" No, the campaign is not about Ghostbusters! Instead, it's about making citizens aware of the variety of non-emergency telephone numbers for services available in the area and the organizations that provide them.

LYNCHBURG DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES	
211	Health and Human Services Inquiries
411	Directory Assistance
511	Travel Information & Road Conditions
611	Cell Phone Customer Service
711	Relay for the Deaf
811	Miss Utility for Digging in the Ground
911	Emergency Dispatch for Police, Fire & Rescue
856-CITY FOR CITY OF LYNCHBURG GENERAL INFORMATION INQUIRIES	

For example, calling 2-1-1 can directly connect you to various community resources and information about such things as health care, food resources, child care, and even utility assistance. Additional Virginia 1-1 numbers include resource information about road conditions, Miss Utility, directory assistance and more. For general City of Lynchburg information inquiries, call the Citizen's First Information Center at (434) 856-CITY.

Awareness of these telephone numbers and services can potentially help reduce the number of non-emergency telephone calls made to 9-1-1 and allow Emergency Services employees to better serve callers facing emergency situations. Examples of non-emergency calls that should not be made to 9-1-1 include parking complaints, noise complaints, loitering/panhandling, abandoned vehicles and general questions. Citizens should only dial 9-1-1 when there is an active threat to harm lives and properties. Non-emergency requests of the City of Lynchburg's Police Department, Fire Department, EMS or Animal Warden dispatch should be directed to the non-emergency number: (434) 847-1602. Be sure to add this number to your contacts!

THE HOPPER HAS NEW HOURS HOP ON THIS EVENING, FOR FREE!

The Greater Lynchburg Transit Company has recently changed The Hopper operating hours. The new hours are Monday through Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Thursday through Saturday from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The Hopper circles the Downtown area once every 10 minutes. The route includes six stops along Main and Commerce Streets. Just look for the Hopper sign at the bus stops. Download the *Ride Systems* app on your Smartphone, then find GLTC and look for The Hopper in real time bus tracking!



Call for Exhibitors & Vendors
Saturday, May 5
 11AM - 4PM
 Riverfront Park
www.lynchburgva.gov/internationalfestival

International Festival
 LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Mayor Joan F. Foster & Vice Mayor Treney L. Tweedy join members of Lynchburg City Council in cordially inviting you to attend the Mayor's State of the City Address

 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26 | 7:00 P.M.
 COUNCIL CHAMBER | 900 CHURCH STREET

PERFORMANCES STARTING AT 6:30 P.M. BY: LYNCHBURG ARTS AND CULTURE COMMUNITY
 RECEPTION WITH LIGHT HORS D'OEUVRES TO FOLLOW
 INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE: MARCH 5, 2018

MEET THE 2018 MAYOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE RECIPIENTS

The Mayor and Vice Mayor will present the Mayor's Awards of Excellence during the State of the City event. City Council nominates individuals from Lynchburg who have made an important impact on the community through volunteer and philanthropy efforts. A video highlighting some of their accomplishments will be shown during the award presentation at the Address.



Tyeast Blanding



Chris Boswell



Doug Pugh



Jeff and Sally Schneider

CO.STARTERS

CO.STARTERS, presented by the Lynchburg Office of Economic Development & Tourism, is a nine-week program that equips aspiring entrepreneurs with the insights, relationships and tools needed to turn business ideas into action and turn passion into sustainable and thriving businesses. If you're an aspiring entrepreneur, or a seasoned professional looking to launch a new product or service, CO.STARTERS can give you the support you need to get started. Classes start mid-March. For more information and to apply, please visit www.opportunitylynchburg.com.



CREATE LYNCHBURG

Join with other creative businesses for Create Lynchburg on Saturday, February 24 at the Academy Center of the Arts. Create Lynchburg is a day-long arts and business conference for creative entrepreneurs, businesses and organizations to learn from one another and local and national experts about how to build and grow a sustainable arts-based venture. The conference is a partnership between the Lynchburg Office of Economic Development & Tourism, the Small Business Development Center at CVCC and the Academy Center of the Arts. Get more information or register at www.createlyynchburg.org.



PRESCHOOLERS' NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

Friday, March 23, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Lynchburg Museum, 901 Court Street

Children ages four to six are invited for a fun night of arts and crafts at the Lynchburg Museum. This year's theme is transportation, and crafts will include making a fire truck, stop light and more. There will be a matching game of the Museum's transportation related artifacts that participants will be able to take home. All crafts will reinforce shapes and patterns in a fun and friendly manner. Dinner of pizza and juice will be provided when the kids arrive.

Prior registration is required, and the fee is \$20 per child. For more information and to register, contact Whitney Roberts, Museum Educator at whitney.roberts@lynchburgva.gov or call (434) 455-4424.