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This section discusses the ongoing activities at the Cy Nunnally Memorial Airport, including current projects recently awarded grant funds, and past projects completed at the airport.

Ever wonder what's in a month, or where our months originate...read this section to learn more about the months of September, October, and November.

Read this section to learn what's going on with the City owned parks in Monroe, current funding sources, projects, plans, and upcoming projects are discussed.

Important Dates

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Be sure to keep up with the important dates including official City of Monroe meeting dates and fun calendar dates throughout the fall months of 2020.

Cy Nunnally Memorial Airport

The Cy Nunnally Memorial airport is currently seeing excavation and site ready work for the build of multiple hangars. There is activity for the preparation of six (6) individual hangar sites farther down an extended Richard Parsons Drive. There is also excavation being performed for the build of a 16-unit t-hangar adjacent to the existing t-hangars. These projects have both been delayed due to the pandemic causing issues with permitting and contract labor.

The Cy Nunnally Memorial Airport was recently awarded grant funds in the amount of \$1,253,417.00 for the complete rehabilitation of runway 3/21 in the states 2021 budget cycle. The City of Monroe will be responsible for \$52,417.00 of matching funds for the project.

In the past several years there have been projects related to apron rehabilitation and expansion on the east side of the runway, taxi lane relocations on the west side, drainage repairs, and now a complete rehabilitation of runway 3/21. The total grant funds received for these projects are approximately \$2,339,667.23 from both federal and state funds. The City has leveraged these funds received with a local contribution of \$509,797.83 thus allowing for larger projects to be performed.



THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

For most residential homes, the correct fire extinguisher to have on hand will be a type ABC extinguisher. However there are multiple types of extinguishers. Lets take a look at the different types and the specific types of fire they extinguish.







ABC Extinguishers

Let's start with the most common type of fire extinguisher, the ABC extinguisher. This fire extinguisher is a combination extinguisher and can suppress type A (wood, paper, fabric), type B (flammable liquids & gases) & type C (electrical equipment). It is best practice for every residential home to have a working ABC extinguisher on hand.

Type D Extinguishers

Type D extinguishers suppress class D fires. Class D fires involve combustible metals such as potassium, magnesium, and titanium. This is a very specialized type of extinguisher and will generally be found on industrial sites where the risk of a combustible metal fire is more likely.

Type K Extinguishers

Type K extinguishers are found in commercial kitchens and are used to extinguish larger grease fires. By code, commercial kitchens are required to have a hood mounted Class K suppression system installed over any flat top cooking appliance, along with a Type K extinguisher mounted to the wall of the kitchen.

While it is important to have a knowledge of the different classes of fires and types of extinguishers used for that specific suppression, the most valuable take away from this information should be the importance of keeping, maintaining, and understanding the use of an ABC extinguisher in your home.

For any additional questions, suggestions, or concerns please reach out to: City Of Monroe Fire Marshal Garrett Range grange@monroega.gov

EVENTS

& happenings..

* Food • Truck • Friday *

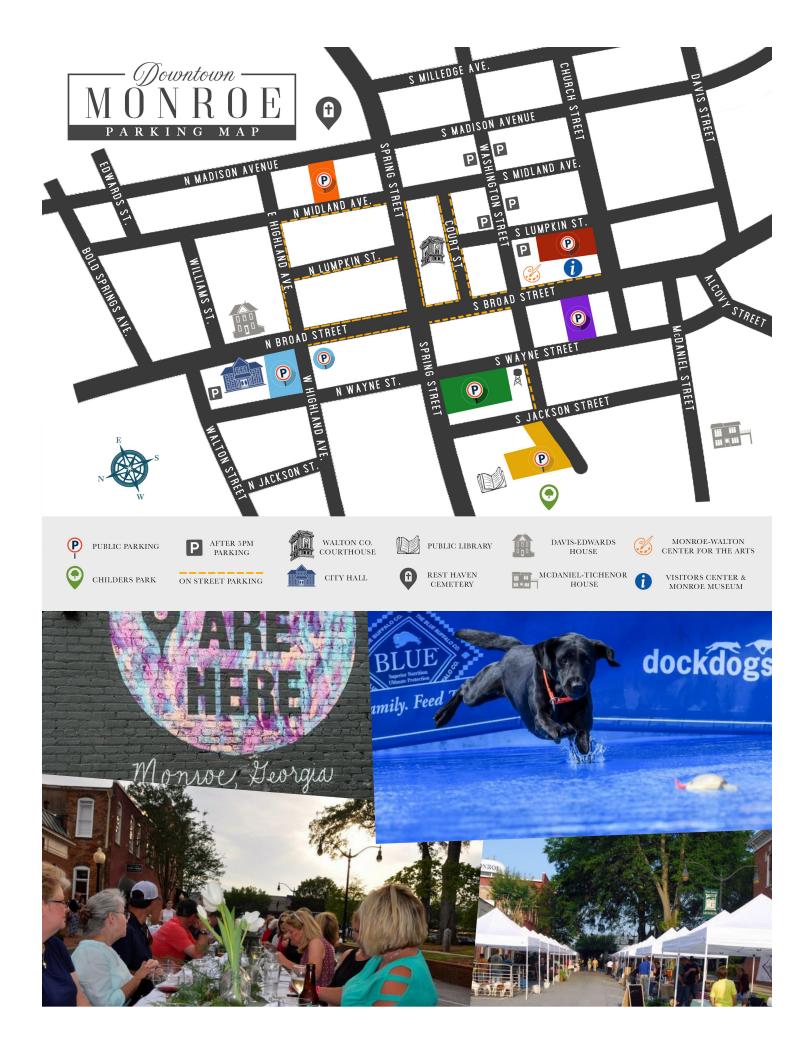
September 4 - Swingin' Medallions Concert September 25 - Members Only Concert October 10 - Fall Fest November 5 - Light Up the Night November 12 & 19 - Candlelight Shopping

November 19 - Magical Light Parade

FARMERS MARKET

every Saturday 8:30 - 12:30 thru October 10th

September 5 September 12 September 19 September 26 October 3 October 10



WHAT'S IN A MONTH...

September is the ninth month of the year, the first month of fall, and is known as the harvest month by many civilizations. It derives its name as being originally the seventh month of the calendar year in ancient times. It marks the beginning of the academic year in many countries of the northern hemisphere, in which children go back to school after the summer break. The birthstone of September is the Sapphire, with birth flowers being the Forget-Me-Not, Morning Glory, and Aster. September is nationally recognized as National Suicide Prevention Month. Famous birthdays include Gloria Estefan, Keanu Reeves, Charlie Sheen, Beyonce' Knowles, Jeff Foxworthy, Adam Sandler, Michael Buble, Ludacris, Harry Connick, Jr., Tyler Perry, Jimmy

Fallon, Freddie Freeman, and KFC's Colonel Sanders.

October is the tenth month of the year and is known as Breast Cancer Awareness Month as well as National Domestic Violence Awareness



Month. It is commonly associated with the season of fall in the northern hemisphere and spring in the southern hemisphere. Halloween, also known as the Eve of Winter, is celebrated in October. Its birthstones are the Tourmaline and Opal, and the birth flower is the Calendula. The last two to three weeks of October (and occasionally the first week of November) are the only time of the year during which all of the "Big Four" major professional sports leagues in the United States and Canada schedule games. The NBA begins its preseason and about two weeks later states the regular season. The NHL is about one month into its regular season, the NFL is about halfway through its regular season, and MLB is in its postseason with the League Championship Series and World Series. Famous birthdays include Julie Andrews, Gwen Stefani, Kate Winslet, Simon Cowell, Matt Damon, Bruno Mars, Mario Lopez, Luke Perry, Hugh Jackman, Eminem, Snoop Dogg, Dwight Yoakam, Hillary Clinton, and Julia Roberts.

November is the eleventh month of the year and the last of four months to have a length of 30 days. It is a month of late spring in the southern hemisphere and late fall in the northern hemisphere. Nationally, November is recognized as Lung Cancer and Stomach Cancer Awareness HAPPY month and Election month. National holidays include Thanksgiving Day and Black Friday. THANKSGIVING DAY The birthstone of November is the Topaz, which symbolizes friendship, and the birth flower is the Chrysanthemum. Famous (0 birthdays include Miley Cyrus, Tina Turner, Nelly, Roseanne, Matthew McConaughey, Bryan Adams, Emma Stone, Sally Field, Leonardo DiCaprio, Demi Moore, Anne Hathaway, Ryan Gosling, Owen Wilson, and Miranda Lambert.

City of Monroe PARKS

In January 2020, the City of Monroe voted to officially take back control of all Cityowned parks from County management and oversight. The initial plan for the City of Monroe is to assess the condition of those parks and to then provide an overall

maintenance and rehabilitation plan. The primary focus at the outset is safety, followed by the of functions usability and facilities, and to finally rehabilitate those parks throughout the years to come. Major projects at all parks will be funded by the 2019 SPLOST as provided for by the tax.



Budgeted projects will then be discussed and presented to City Council as achievable based on funding availability.



The next major project as approved by City Council was the complete rehabilitation and rebuild of Pilot Park, which is on Church Street and High School Avenue. This project is nearing its completion and has provided for the complete replacement of all



play equipment, addition of age specific features, benches, trash receptacles, picnic tables, youth soccer goal, over 1000' of additional walkways throughout, fencing, numerous educational based components for children of all abilities, and ADA compliant everything in the park. During excavation the original school building cornerstone with officials, architects, and historical references was uncovered and will become a part of the park entrance off High School Avenue. We hope to have our grand reopening of the park sometime in September or early October, depending on the status of the ongoing pandemic situation.

Currently, plans and conceptual ideas are being explored for the Town Green and Mathews Park for projects during the latter months of 2020. Each park will be reviewed by both Council and Staff for the determination of theme and usability. This review will help determine the elements added and/or rehabilitated to provide for the best possible experiences available to our citizens and visitors alike! The Town Green will be a new addition to the parks systems in Monroe,

while the rehabilitation of Mathews Park will be yet another overhaul of a City owned park.



CITY MEETING DATES

September

- 1 City Council Meeting 6pm
- 8 City Council Meeting 6pm
- 10 Downtown Development Authority Meeting 8am
- 10 Convention & Visitors Bureau Meeting 9am
- 15 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 5:30pm
- 22 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 6pm

<u>October</u>

- 6pm City Council Meeting 6
- 8am Downtown Development Authority Meeting 8
 - 9am Convention & Visitors Bureau Meeting 8
 - 6pm City Council Meeting 13
- 5:30pm Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 20
 - 4pm Tree Board Meeting 21
- 6pm Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 27

November

- 3 City Council Meeting 6pm
- 10 City Council Meeting 6pm
- 12 Downtown Development Authority Meeting 8am
- 12 Convention & Visitors Bureau Meeting 9am
- 17 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 5:30pm
- 24 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 6pm

IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES



September 7 - Labor Day September 10 - Suicide Prevention Day September 11 - Remembrance Day September 13 - Grandparents Day September 22 - First day of Fall





October 9 - Fire Prevention Day October 11 - Pastor Appreciation Day October 12 - Columbus Day October 19 - Boss's Day October 31 - Halloween



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November 1 - Daylight savings ends November 3 - Election Day November 11 - Veterans Day November 26 - Thanksgiving Day November 27 - Black Friday



City of Monroe Officials

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