

BELMONT NEWS



Belmont, NC Newsletter

Fall 2016

Curbside Bulk Collection



Bulk trash collection is a quarterly service provided by the City's waste provider as part of your residential trash and recycling service.

Bulk trash consists of materials too large to fit in a trash or recycling container. Materials such as furniture, carpet, and other non-hazardous household items are

permitted. E-waste, such as computer components and other electronics, are also collected at this time. Bulk items must be placed curbside separate from your regular trash, recycling, and yard debris items. Bulk items are picked up at curbside during a designated week in July, October, January, and April. The next collection date is the week of October 10th—15th on your regularly scheduled trash collection day. Large appliance collection service is available by the City for a fee. Call 825-0507 for more information.

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Community Shred Event

Residents of Belmont may bring their items for shredding to the Shred-It event scheduled for Saturday, October 22nd from 9 am to 11 am. The shredding truck will be located in the gravel public parking lot on Glenway Street. No magazines please.

This community event is sponsored by Keep Belmont Beautiful!



Parks & Recreation Athletics

Belmont Parks and Recreation offers a variety of youth and adult sports throughout the year for all ages. Fall league registration is now open for the following programs:

Basketball: Ages 3-15

Registration period: October 3 –November 11

Cost: \$50 In-city; \$75 Out-of-city : Includes Jersey shirt and shorts

Indoor Soccer: Ages 11U, 15U

Registration period: October 3—October 24th

Cost: \$30 In-city; \$55 Out-of-city: Includes: Jersey shirt and socks

Online registration is available at <http://www.cityofbelmont.org/Activities>. On-site registration is offered at the J Paul Ford Recreation Center located at 37 E. Woodrow Avenue. For more information contact us at 704.825.8191

Belmont Police



Department

As the holiday seasons is approaching the Belmont Police Department would like to remind you of some basic safety tips to practice during the holiday.

- If you must shop at night, park in a well-lighted area and be aware of your surroundings.
- Never leave packages or valuables in your vehicle—if you must leave items in your vehicle secure them in the trunk.
- Make sure purses and wallets are secure on your person and you are aware of their location at all times.
- Don't overburden yourself with packages while shopping.
- Do not carry large amounts of cash, or more than two credit cards.
- If you plan to travel for the holidays, don't discuss your plans with strangers.
- Have a trusted friend or neighbor to keep an eye on your home.
- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows and doors of your home.
- Mail and newspaper deliveries should be stopped or arrangements for a neighbor/friend to pick them up should be made when you are away from home for a period of time.
- Be wary of strangers that come to your door soliciting for charitable donations.
- Arrange packages being delivered at times you will be home; make sure packages will not be left on door steps.
- The holidays are a good time to update—or create—your home inventory. List descriptions and serial numbers of items and if you can take photographs of each.
- Holiday lighting—Keep candles away from decorations and other combustible materials, make sure to remember to blow candles out when you leave your home.

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PLEASE report any suspicious or criminal activity to your police department immediately; you can dial 9-1-1.

Fire Prevention Week

October 9-15

The Belmont Fire Department will be visiting classrooms the week of October 9-15th in recognition of Fire Prevention week. This year's fire prevention week campaign is "Don't Wait—Check the Date," which focuses on smoke alarm replacement every 10 years. Their goal is to reach over 2000 children between the ages of 2 and 2nd graders. For more information contact the Belmont Fire Department at 704.825.0502



Leaf Collection Season

Leaf season begins on October 1st and runs through March 31st. Citizens may rake leaves to the curbside or to the edge of residential lots for pick-up. Please **do not** rake leaves into the street or onto the sidewalk. This can be dangerous for drivers, joggers, and pedestrians. We encourage you to bag your leaves to ensure quicker pickup and help keep our storm drains cleaned. Debris piles consisting of tree limbs, branches, and shrubs will also be collected curbside but must be piled separate from leaf piles. For more information visit our webpage www.cityofbelmont.org and search leaf collection.



City Resurfacing Program

Wanting to make improvements to our city streets this year, the City Council approved a \$1 million street resurfacing program to resurface 65 blocks on 47 different streets throughout Belmont. This resurfacing program was paid for using a combination of the City's portion of the state gas tax and the \$15 vehicle tax on all vehicles registered in the city limits. The City borrowed \$1 million for this project and used these revenue sources to pay for the five year loan.

These streets in this program were selected from a 2014 street condition study that rated streets on a 100-point scale, from the worst conditions (rating of 0) to the best (rating of 100). The goal of the program was to resurface streets with a rating of 0 to 10. A combination of very competitive bids and a lower than expected interest rate allowed the City to resurface streets with a rating of 0-20. The City Council also approved a smaller fall paving program that paved an additional three streets and streets within Greenwood Cemetery. The chart shows that we have resurfaced almost 6.5 miles of city streets this year, representing 17% of all of our city streets.

	Miles of Streets	% of Pre-1994 Street Miles
2016 Comprehensive Paving Program	5.64	
2016 Fall Paving Program	.82	
Total paved this year in both programs	6.46	17%
Total resurface between 1994 and 2015	10.87	28%
Total resurfaced since 1994	17.33	45%

Community Calendar

October 1	9:00 am	Big Sweep Litter Sweep at Stowe Park
October 3	7:00 pm	City Council Meeting
October 13	7:00 pm	Board of Adjustment Meeting
October 26	7:00 pm	Planning Board Meeting
October 22	2–8 pm	Belmont Boo Festival at Stowe Park
November 7	7:00 pm	City Council Meeting
November 11		City Offices Closed for Veterans Day
November 17	7:00 pm	Planning Board Meeting
November 24–25		City Offices Closed for Holiday
November 26		Shop Small Saturday—Downtown Belmont
December 3	8:30 am	Girls on the Run 5K—Stowe Park
December 5	5:30 pm	Christmas Tree Lighting at City Hall
December 6		Belmont Christmas Parade
December 9	6–9 pm	Belmont Christmas Village—Downtown
December 23rd & 26th		City Offices Closed for Holiday

City Council

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