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Events This Month



The 5th Annual Bessemer City Brew & Que Festival returns to Downtown Bessemer City on Friday, October 2, from 6–10 p.m. The event will feature a Southern BBQ Network-sanctioned BBQ competition, local food vendors, craft beer, and live music from Julio and the Saltines. Come enjoy great food, music, and community fun at one of Bessemer City's signature fall events.



Bessemer City invites the community to its annual Community-Wide Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 31, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Downtown Bessemer City. This free, family-friendly event will feature trick-or-treating, games, and Halloween fun for all ages. Families are encouraged to wear their favorite costumes and enjoy a festive morning downtown.

Do I Need a Permit?

Planning a new shed, garage, business sign, or home addition? Before you begin, please make sure to review the Land Development Code on our website for compliance, and apply for a zoning permit via our website portal, found under “Planning and Zoning” or here: https://bessemernc-energovpub.tylerhost.net/apps/selfservice#/home.

What’s Happening in Bessemer City

Join City Manager Josh Ross for What’s Happening in BC, a relaxed opportunity for residents, business owners, and community members to connect, ask questions, share ideas, and learn more about what’s happening in Bessemer City. There is no formal agenda or appointment needed, so grab a cup of coffee and join the conversation. The next gathering will be Friday, October 2, from 9–10 a.m. at the Kiser Senior Center, 123 W. Pennsylvania Ave., Bessemer City, NC 28016.

Stay Connected with BC

Stay informedand connected with Bessemer City by visiting www.bessemercity.com or following the City on Facebook (@CityofBC) for the latest news, press releases, project updates, and more. Be sure
to sign up for the City’s Mass Communication System through Nixle to receive important alerts by phone call, text, and email.

https://local.nixle.com/register/

Storm Water



Hurricane Preparedness Reminder

As we move into the peak of hurricane season, please take time to ensure you have an emergency supply kit readily available. Hurricane season officially runs from June 1 through November 30 each year. While June and July are typically less active for storms affecting our area, the period from August through mid-October is when hurricanes are most likely to pose a threat to our region.

Although we are located more than 200 miles inland, history has shown that tropical systems can still have significant and devastating impacts. Events such as Hurricane Hugo and, more recently, Hurricane Helene serve as reminders of the severe weather effects our region can experience.

To help you and your family stay prepared, it is recommended that you maintain at least a 72-hour supply of essential emergency items. Please review the attached Emergency Supply Checklist to ensure you have the necessary supplies on hand should an emergency occur. Stay safe, stay prepared, and monitor weather conditions throughout the hurricane season.

Events and Programs

Youth & Adult Calendar



Senior Calendar



Calendar

Important Reminders:
City Utility Bill Due
Saturday, October 10, 2026

Public Meetings:
Planning/BOA/Stormwater Board (City Hall)
CANCELLED THIS MONTH
City Council Regular Session (City Hall)
Monday, October 12, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Parks & Recreation Board (Community Center) Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Downtown Development (City Hall)
Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 6:00 pm
ABC Board (ABC Store)
Monday, October 26, 2026 at 5:00 pm
City Council Work Session (City Hall)
Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 3:00 pm

Live Streaming:
Did you know City Council Regular Meetings are lived streamed on YouTube Live?

https://bessemercity.com/city-council-meetings/

Let's Connect

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Elected Officials:

Becky S. Smith, Mayor
Bill Whitmire, Ward 1
Nellie Floyd, Ward 2
Allen Hook, Ward 3
Brenda Boyd, Ward 4
Manny Tsambouniery, Ward 5
Chris Harmon, Ward 6

City Manager:

Josh Ross

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