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Event This Month



ART IN THE PARK

Mark your calendars for a massive evening of community fun! Our Community Picnic Day is coming up on Thursday, July 16th from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and we are thrilled to announce that this year's Art in the Park sidewalk chalk competition is joining the festivities.

Bring the whole family out for an action-packed schedule of free activities, games, and celebration:

- 5:00 PM: The picnic kicks off! Cool off at the splash pad, join in on community bingo, and enjoy a variety of outdoor games. Free food and slushies will be available while supplies last.
- Grand Opening: Help us celebrate the official grand opening of our brand-new park trail!
- 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM (Art in the Park): Unleash your creativity at Stinger Park! This free sidewalk chalk competition is open to all ages, with distinct age-group categories and prizes for the best artwork. Each participant will get a dedicated sidewalk square to decorate. Chalk is provided, though you are welcome to bring your own. Please note: Registration is free but strictly limited to 15 participants per age group to ensure everyone gets a square!

Whether you are exploring the new trail, competing for a prize in the chalk contest, or just enjoying a slushie by the splash pad, this is the summer event you won't want to miss. We can't wait to see you there!

Facility Hour Changes

Please note the following upcoming adjustments to city facility operating hours and holiday schedules:

- City Hall Annex Drive-Through: The drive-through closes daily at 4:30 PM, and will also close for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM.
- Stinger Park Splash Pad: Operating hours are now 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM daily.
- Bessemer City Pool (July 4th): The pool will operate on a modified schedule for Independence Day, opening from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- Independence Day Closures: All City Administrative Facilities will be closed on Friday, July 3rd, in observance of the 4th of July.

Note: Residential trash pickup will remain on its normal schedule and will not be delayed by the holiday.

Find Your Zoning

Bessemer City has integrated a new online tool to make finding property information easier. Residents, developers, and business owners can now instantly look up general zoning details by simply entering an address or parcel ID.

- Try the tool here: zoning-tool-psi.vercel.app

Note: This tool provides general guidance only and does not replace an official determination. For official inquiries, please contact the Planning & Zoning Department at 704-629-5542 (option 4) or email jwatkins@bessemercity.com.

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/

Strategic Plan

A strategic plan is a roadmap for our city's future. It sets out the community's vision, goals, and priorities, and helps guide decisions about where we focus our time and resources. The plan looks at key areas like growth, public safety, infrastructure, and quality of life. By following the plan, the city can work toward shared goals, track progress, and make sure projects and services reflect what matters most to our community.

Visit bessemercity.com/strategic-plan for more information!

Keep Bessemer City Beautiful

Calling all environmental enthusiasts, artists, and gardeners! The City Council has reinstated the KBCB Board to focus on cleanups, public art, and environmental education.
If you are interested in helping beautify our city, please fill out the interest form online or reach out with any questions.

- Interest Form: Keep Bessemer City Beautiful – Bessemer City, NC Website

Events and Programs

Youth & Adult Calendar



Senior Calendar



Calendar

Important Reminders:
City Utility Bill Due
Friday, July 10, 2026

Public Meetings:
Planning/BOA/Stormwater Board (City Hall)
CANCELLED FOR JULY
City Council Regular Session (City Hall)
Monday, July 13, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Parks & Recreation Board (Community Center) Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Downtown Development (City Hall)
Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 6:00 pm
ABC Board (ABC Store)
Monday, July 27, 2026 at 5:00 pm
City Council Work Session (City Hall)
Tuesday, July 28, 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/

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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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