

# CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA NEWSLETTER

JUNE/JULY 2023



## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

As we dive into the summer months, I am excited to share some exciting updates on two crucial projects that will shape the future of our beautiful city.

The Mill Village Area Infrastructure Improvements Project is progressing smoothly through the planning process. We are currently in the phase of procuring engineering services, which will lay the foundation for the project. This summer, we anticipate beginning the design phase, where the vision for the Mill Village will come to life. Be sure to stay tuned for updates as we work diligently to bring this transformative project to fruition.

In addition to the Mill Village Project, our dedicated city staff is collaborating with a talented design team to finalize data gathering and create a comprehensive design for the Meeting Street Roadway Improvements Project. This redevelopment effort is aimed at revitalizing our beloved Meeting Street, ensuring it meets the evolving needs and aspirations of our community. We are committed to fostering a vibrant, accessible, and inclusive space that will serve as a focal point for West Columbia. Together, we are shaping the future of our city.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement in these significant endeavors. We are excited about the positive impact these projects will have on West Columbia and its residents. Let's continue working together to make our city an even better place to live, work, and play.

Sincerely,

Mayor Temus C. "Tem" Miles, Jr.

## HAPPENINGS IN WECO

**MEETING STREET ARTISAN MARKET**  
425 MEETING STREET  
SATURDAYS: 11 AM - 3 PM, 2ND THURSDAYS: 4 - 8 PM

**7TH ANNUAL TASTE ON THE RIVER**  
STONE RIVER  
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023  
BEAUTIFYWESTCOLUMBIASC.ORG  
\$100/PERSON, UNLIMITED TASTINGS, OPEN BAR

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**FALL BACK FEST**  
100 BLOCK STATE STREET  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2023  
STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO!

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## MESSAGES FROM COUNCIL



### MIKE GREEN COUNCIL DISTRICT #1

We welcomed a new Dunkin' to the Highway 1 corridor adding more options for coffee and breakfast for our morning commuters. The Chick-Fil-A has reopened with a double drive through, making it more efficient for patrons to pick-up their meals. Please call me with any questions or concerns.



### TREVOR BEVELL COUNCIL DISTRICT #2

Get out and enjoy our outdoor amenities like Bark West Dog Park, Carraway Park, the beautiful Riverwalk Park, and take the kids and grandkids fishing! Support the beautification of West Columbia at Taste on the River Tuesday, June 13. Purchase your tickets at beautifywestcolumbia.org. Have a safe summer.



### GEORGE CROWE COUNCIL DISTRICT #3

I hope everyone had a great Memorial Day. Now that schools are out for summer, take advantage of all the things to do in West Columbia and get involved in events, meetings, and all the things happening in your city. Don't forget about the 7th Annual Taste on the River on June 13 at Stone River put on by the Beautification Foundation. If you see something that doesn't seem right, say something. Questions or concerns, give me a call at 803-250-9870.



### JOSEPH DICKEY COUNCIL DISTRICT #4

Many exciting activities are happening in our beautiful city this summer. The river is booming with activities from kayaking to tubing. Saturdays and 2nd Thursdays are for shopping locally. Meet friends and family at the Meeting Street Artisan Market, shop with our gathering of talented local artisans showcasing their crafts and creations, and grab some lunch or dinner at a local restaurant, brewery, or Biergarten.



### MICKEY PRINGLE COUNCIL DISTRICT #5

The first of several Habitat for Humanity houses to be built in District 5, is nearing completion. Scheduled for opening in mid-June, a property formerly owned by Turner Memorial AME Church, at 1113 Monticello Street, has been named the "Taylor-Monteith House of Hope," and will serve as a community resource center and another outreach ministry of Turner Memorial. District Five is the birthplace of new properties and new initiatives.



### JIMMY BROOKS COUNCIL DISTRICT #6

The US Highway 378 Wastewater Extension project continues along Sunset Blvd. The forced main is nearing completion near Ephrata Drive with an expected project completion towards the end of summer. This will provide wastewater service along Sunset Blvd to I-20, fostering Economic Development.



### ERIN P. PORTER COUNCIL DISTRICT #7

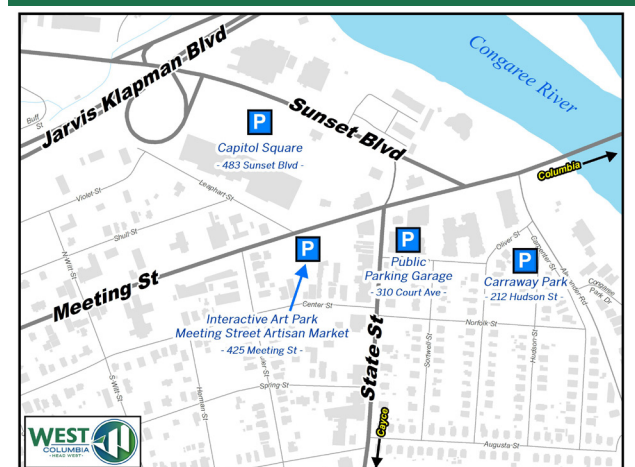
The Saluda Gardens Water System Improvement Project is nearing completion with an end date towards the end of summer. The Riverbanks Zoo and Gardens have a lot going on with their recent expansion announcements. Spend a day at the zoo and get all the info. They also offer summer camps for various ages.



### DAVID MOYE COUNCIL DISTRICT #8

District 8 has many opportunities for commercial and residential development. This past month, I participated with a group of 20 people on a three-day tour of 15 infill and new development mixed use projects from Maryland to North Carolina. For each project, we discussed the ideas that worked and what did not.

## RIVER DISTRICT FREE PARKING



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## BRICKHOUSE COFFEE MOVING, BUT STAYING ON WEST COLUMBIA'S MEETING STREET



Akera, Zach, Alexis and Amiah of Brickhouse.

said, then he explained the move. "The new location will be a little smaller and more intimate. It's the perfect size," he said. "It's a space we can customize and personalize." In addition to a new location, there will be an expanded Brickhouse menu. It will be announced before the opening.

Construction on the new location will be going on throughout June and July, with an anticipated open date of August 2023. Akera said the process to remodel the new building has been orderly.

"The City of West Columbia has been so easy to work with," Akera said. "Everyone has been so helpful."

BrickHouse Gourmet Coffee is a product in high demand for connoisseurs. The coffee beans of Brickhouse are imported. They are hand-picked by farmers throughout the world, from Kilimanjaro in Africa to Oaxaca, Mexico. Blends, Single-Origins, Organic, and Flavored, with each option available in Whole Bean, French Pressed, Slow Drip, and Espresso grounds. Gourmet tea options include Herbal, Tisane, Flavored, and Loose Leaf. In addition to their brick-and-mortar location, they are often vendors at the Meeting Street Artisan Market on Saturdays, from 11 AM – 3 PM.

BrickHouse Gourmet Coffee and Tea Co. is moving to 729 Meeting Street, in West Columbia.

The coffee shop is owned by Akera and Alexis Sellers. It opened in West Columbia's River District at 725 Meeting St. in March of 2022. BrickHouse Gourmet Coffee has thrived at that location.

"I thank our friends and the West Columbia community for your outpouring of support and love we've received since opening," Akera said. "West Columbia is the best place we could have chosen to do business. I can't imagine being anywhere else."

His love for West Columbia is why Brickhouse's move is not far from the original site. It's next door. "We'll be easy to find," Akera

## HOTWORX OPENING ON WEST COLUMBIA'S STATE STREET, OFFERS 24-HOUR HIGH-INTENSITY EXERCISE



HOTWORX at 114 State Street

HOTWORX offers members unlimited, 24-hour access to a variety of virtually instructed, infrared sauna workouts. Members experience a combination of heat, infrared energy, and exercise. It's a workout program for people who want to flush toxins from their bodies, increase flexibility, balance, and tone, and burn a massive amount of calories in the process.

## TRIANGLE PHARMACY AND HOME MEDICAL IS A FIXTURE IN WEST COLUMBIA'S TRIANGLE CITY



Triangle Pharmacy at 1239 D Ave.

"We try to get to know everyone who comes in," Stroud said. To serve those customers, Triangle Pharmacy employs a caring, professional staff. The helpful staff is appreciated.

"We have very good community support," Stroud said. "We have a steady flow of returning customers."

Triangle Pharmacy is also in a central location, so the business gets a lot of walk-in traffic, said Stroud.

In addition to pharmacy services, Triangle Pharmacy carries a wide selection of medical equipment, including wheelchairs, walkers, first aid supplies, and other medical supplies.

Triangle Pharmacy also offers pet care including supplies and medications for exotic pets, horses, dogs, and cats.

The pharmacy accepts most private insurance; Medicare, Medicaid, and Tricare.

Stroud said in his many years with the business, Triangle Pharmacy and the City of West Columbia have had a good relationship and he is happy with their location.

HOTWORX is opening at 114 State Street in West Columbia.

The anticipated opening date is at the beginning of June," said Tara Johns, the co-owner of the West Columbia HOTWORX.

Tara Johns, who owns HOTWORX with her husband, Dustin, said the couple had a good reason for choosing to locate in West Columbia's River District.

"It's an up-and-coming area and we're excited about the property," Tara said. "It's also a unique fit for the area. A lot is going on around us."

HOTWORX is a virtually instructed exercise program created for

users to experience the benefits of infrared heat absorption while completing a 30-minute isometric workout or 15-min High-Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) session. To get the building ready as a HOTWORX location, it is being renovated.

"Construction has been going ahead of schedule," said Tara. "Everything has gone smoothly and we're very pleased with the progress. The City of West Columbia has been great to work with."

Triangle Pharmacy and Home Medical is a locally-owned community pharmacy located at 1239 D Ave, in West Columbia's Triangle City.

The pharmacy has been in business since 1953 and is dedicated to providing outstanding customer service to West Columbia and the surrounding areas, at affordable prices.

Will Stroud is the Pharmacy Manager. Duane Cook is Pharmacist-In-Charge and Ariel Williams is the Pharmacy Technician. The pharmacy specializes in efficiency. You can get your prescription filled fast at Triangle Pharmacy. Wait times are usually less than 10 minutes.

## DINE & SHOP IN WECO

### #EATLOCAL

AL'S UPSTAIRS  
ALWAYS ORIGINAL BAKERY  
ARIANA'S RESTAURANT  
BLACK ROOSTER  
BLOSSOM BUFFET  
BREADS & SUCH  
BREAKFAST AT RUIZ  
BRICKHOUSE GOURMET COFFEE & TEA  
BUTTERCREAM DREAMS  
THE CAKE HOUSE CASA DE PASTEL  
CABANAS  
CAFE STRUDEL WEST COLUMBIA  
CALLOWAY'S SPORTS BAR & GRILL  
CHAYZ LOUNGE  
CHINA HUT III  
COMPTON'S KITCHEN  
CUCINELLA'S PIZZERIA & ITALIAN ICE  
D'S WINGS  
DELUCCA'S ITALIAN GRILL  
EGGROLL STATION  
GRECIAN GARDENS RESTAURANT  
GROUCHO'S DELI  
THE HIDEOUT IN WECO  
HITE'S BBQ  
JIMMY'S MINI MART/CITGO  
JIN JIN CHINESE RESTAURANT  
LIZARD'S THICKET  
LOVE A CUP BAKERY  
MAI THAI CUISINE  
MANNY'S  
MAURICE'S PIGGIE PARK  
NEW BROOKLAND TAVERN  
NICK'S HOUSE OF PIZZA  
ODALY'S BAKERY  
RUSH'S FABULOUS FOOD ... FAST!  
SAN JOSE MEXICAN RESTAURANT  
STEVE'S DELI  
TACOS LOCOS AND GRILL  
TERRA  
TEX MEX WEST COLUMBIA  
THE HIDEOUT IN WECO  
THE ORIGINAL BRUNCHES  
TRUE BBQ  
WHAT-A-BURGER  
ZESTO OF WEST COLUMBIA

### #SHOPLOCAL

763 ANTIQUE MALL  
ATTIC FANATIC  
BARBARA JANE'S BOUTIQUE  
BILL'S MUSIC SHOP & PICKIN' PARLOR  
CHERRY'S DELIGHT  
COLUMBIA FLAG & SIGN COMPANY  
ED'S EDITIONS BOOKSTORE  
GOLD LINE FRAMING  
GLASSIE LADIES  
JAAS BOUTIQUE  
JARRETT'S JUNGLE  
MEETING STREET INTERIORS  
MESSIE'S CLOSET  
NEW BROOKLAND RAILROAD & HOBBY  
OLD MILL ANTIQUE MALL  
PRESERVE & CO.  
ROB SHAW GALLERY AND FRAMING  
SCRATCH & SPIN  
SIGHTLER'S FLORIST & MARKETPLACE  
SPA 131  
STATE STREET TRADING COMPANY  
STONE BOOT COMPANY  
TALL OAKS BOUTIQUE  
THE WAREHOUSE  
THREE OAKS FLORIST AND INTERIORS  
THREE RIVERS ANTIQUES  
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