



## Mayor's Update to City Council

### August 8, 2017

#### Membership in Climate Mayor's Action Group

In keeping with Bexley's commitment to environmental sustainability, I joined Mayors throughout the country in signing up as a "climate action" Mayor with STAR Communities in late June. STAR Communities developed the Climate Change Guide with support from local leaders and members of its technical and governance committees. Communities can use the Climate Change Guide to support new climate action planning, expand existing efforts, implement climate pledges, and advocate for new efforts. Specifically, it supports communities to:

- Make informed and supported climate action decisions;
- Sort through and prioritize the many potential climate action strategies and actions;
- Identify and categorize community systems for climate efforts;
- Align climate efforts to existing priority areas;
- Build support and develop narratives that highlight climate action's multiple co-benefits; and
- Lay out a plan for comprehensive climate action.

We don't currently have staff support necessary to invest in accreditation, but this might be something the Bexley "green team" can look into developing further.

#### CIC Planning Meeting

The Bexley CIC met in July to formulate strategic priorities for the coming years. Priorities focused on redevelopment of the Livingston Avenue and North Cassady Avenue areas. Specific strategies were identified, and the resultant plan will be circulated for council to review after the September CIC meeting.

#### City Hall Personnel

Sam Metcalf was selected as the Communications Coordinator for the City. Sam previously served as a communications intern, and has a degree from Capital University in communications. He was hired in at the Step 1 salary for the position. Interviews are underway for the front desk operations position, which has been posted as a part time position.

#### Coming Up

<b>August 8, 6:00 pm:</b>	City Council Meeting
<b>August 10, 4:00 pm:</b>	Bexley Farmers' Market
<b>August 10, 6:00 pm:</b>	Bexley Architectural Review Board Meeting
<b>August 11, 6:30 pm:</b>	Main Event: "Secret Life of Pets"
<b>August 15, 5:30 pm:</b>	Recreation Board Meeting
<b>August 16, 4:00 pm:</b>	Tree Commission Meeting
<b>August 17, 6:00 pm:</b>	Coffee and etc. with the Mayor at Kittie's Cakes
<b>August 19, 9:00 am:</b>	Splish, Splash, and Dash Youth Triathlon
<b>August 21, 5:30 pm:</b>	Commonwealth Park Master Plan Steering Committee
<b>August 22, 6:00 pm:</b>	City Council Meeting