



City of Newark Council Elections

The 2018 election for City Council Districts 3 and 5 is being held on Tuesday, April 10. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The polling place for District 3 is Aetna Fire Station #7, located at 7 Thorn Lane. The polling place for District 5 is First Presbyterian Church located at 292 West Main Street. The candidates for District 3 are Richard Nietubicz and Jennifer Wallace. The candidates for District 5 are Neel Barua, Jason M. Lawhorn and Lena F. Thayer. As only one candidate filed for District 6, A. Stuart Markham, Jr., Mr. Markham will be declared the winner in that district and sworn in at the April 19 Council organizational meeting.

To vote in the April 10 Council election, you must be at least 18 years of age by Election Day, a U.S. citizen and have established residency in the City for at least 24 days prior to the election. The voter registration deadline is Monday, March 19. If you are unsure if you are registered, please call the City Secretary's office at (302) 366-7000.

Absentee ballots are also available for those who cannot get to the polls on April 10. An absentee ballot can be requested and sent to your home by downloading the form at newarkde.gov/election and returning it to the City Secretary's Office. You also may stop by the office between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to vote in person and have your absentee affidavit notarized, if required. All absentee ballots must be returned to the City Secretary's Office no later than 5 p.m. the day of the election.

If you have specific questions about city elections, you may call the City Secretary's Office at (302) 366-7000.

Fandemonium April 21 at the Delaware Athletics Complex

Join Delaware Athletics for an action-packed day of free FUN AND entertainment including the Delaware Football spring game. Fandemonium IX will also feature inflatable activities for all ages, music, games, face painting, giveaways and much more!



Automatic Bill Payment/Leak Notification System—Customer Connect

The City of Newark would like to remind all residents that monthly utility bills can be processed automatically via CustomerConnect. Did you know CustomerConnect also has features that will alert you when your household exceeds certain consumption thresholds? This tool is helpful for finding water leaks, or unintended electric usage before it goes on for a prolonged period of time, saving you money. The notification thresholds can be set by the account holder on a monthly, weekly or daily basis. It's another way of keeping utility consumption to a minimum. The account holder can elect to be notified by email, text and via notice to their web portal account.

Newark utility customers also have the option to pay the City for utility services using CustomerConnect's "Budget Billing" option. This method of payment allows the account holder to pay a fixed amount each month on the date of their choosing when they sign up for this feature. The system determines your estimated annual utility bill and divides that amount by twelve months. On the December bill, there will be a true up for whatever balance that remains (either a credit or debit to the account) to settle the balance for the year.

Please go to <https://newarkde.gov/pay> to set up your account. In order to keep costs to a minimum, the City urges CustomerConnect users to set up their accounts to their bank debit account vs a credit card.

IMPORTANT: Stormwater charges went into effect on January 1, 2018. For additional information regarding how your bill has been calculated, visit newarkde.gov.

InformMe Notification—Newark’s Citizen Notification System allows you to choose the information you want to receive from the City of Newark and the method through which you receive it. You will continue to receive the mandatory emergency alerts but you can also choose to receive any of our other alert options such as refuse/recycling changes, electric utility alerts/ crime alerts and more. These alerts are available by home phone, e-mail, cell phone and text messages. To sign up for the InformMe Notification System, please go to <https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736722258/#/login>. Individuals who need assistance registering for this notification system may call (302)366-7000. Please note that the City of Newark will not give or sell your contact information to any other organization.



Spring Community Clean Up—Make a difference in the Newark Community by joining us at the City of Newark Municipal Building on Saturday, April 14 from 8 to 11 a.m. This year, our clean up efforts will contribute to the Annual Christina River Watershed Clean Up. Individual and volunteer groups are welcome. Trash bags and a snack will be provided to all who help (t-shirts will be given to the first 200 volunteers). For additional information or to sign up for the clean up, please call the Parks and Recreation office at (302)366-7000 or email parksrec@newark.de.us.

Earth Day Volunteers—April is National Volunteer Month so get into the spirit by assisting the City of Newark’s Parks and Recreation Department on Earth Day, Saturday, April 21 from 9 a.m. to noon at the George Wilson Center. Volunteers are essential in taking care of our parks and for us to conduct the quality programs and events the community has come to love. Volunteer help and dedication to the community are greatly appreciated. There will also be lots of information on how to sign up to be a Summer Camp Counselor Volunteer and more!

Newark Symphony—The Newark Symphony Chamber Series will present ensembles featuring Newark Symphony Orchestra members and will be joined by the UD Singin’ Hens directed by Debra Arnold. The concert is being held at the Newark United Methodist Church on Saturday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, please call (302)369-3466.

April Events Calendar

Planning Commission Meeting

April 3, at 7 p.m. in Council Chamber

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April 10, 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Conservation Advisory Commission Meeting

April 10, at 7 p.m. in Council Chamber

Downtown Newark Partnership Board Meeting

April 12 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chamber

Spring Community Clean Up

April 14, 8 a.m.—11 a.m. City Municipal Building

Board of Adjustment Meeting

April 19, at 7 p.m. in Council Chamber

Earth Day Volunteer Day

April 21, 9 a.m.—noon at the George Wilson Center

City Council Meeting

April 23, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers

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