

GDNA Monthly Newsletter - August 2024



Upcoming Meeting: Thursday September 19, 2024

The next meeting of the Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association is scheduled for Thursday September 19th. We are very excited to bring you a [Roanoke City Council Candidate Forum](#). This will be a moderated Q&A session with six of the seven council candidates. Prior to the forum we plan to provide a brief update on zoning related to both the August 12 Planning Council meeting and the September 16 Roanoke City Council related to zoning issues. Please RSVP for this even at <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-list>

Candidates for the forum on September 19 include:

- [Terry McGuire](#) - Democrat
- [Phazhon Nash](#) - Democrat
- [Benjamin Woods](#) - Democrat
- Evelyn Powers - Independent
- [Nick Hagen](#) - Republican
- [Jim Garrett](#) - Republican
- Cathy Reynolds - Independent will not be present.
- Moderator: Raekwon Moore

Join us at 6:30pm for a meet-n-greet with your neighbors, while the official meeting kicks off at 7pm.

- ❖ Future Meetings: October 17 (Mayoral Candidates) and November 14 (Board Elections, Various Roanoke City speakers)

****Please note that this candidate forum is being widely advertised beyond just GDNA, so there may be a larger than normal attendance, your RSVP will help greatly.**

Planning Commission Vote 3-2 Against Rezoning Amendments

The Planning Commission voted 3-2 against the rezoning amendments on August 12. This means the City Council will vote on the matter at its September 16th meeting without the recommendation from the Planning Commission. Stay tuned. There are numerous news articles on this which can be found in the Zoning Resource section of the website: <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/zoning-resources>

Early Voting Starts September 20

Early voting for the Nov. 5 general election begins Sept. 20. The last day to vote early is Nov. 2. Early voting is available at 317 Kimball Ave NE, Roanoke, VA 24016. Additional information

<https://www.roanokeva.gov/780/Voter-Registration-Elections>

Hours:

Monday- Friday : 08:00 - 17:00

Saturday-Sunday : Closed

Useful News/Events/Links

- Saturday September 21st is the next The Household Hazardous Waste Collection (August is already full!) You must pre-register for this event and they sell out fast.
<https://www.rvra.net/35/Household-Hazardous-Waste>
- Calendar for Downtown Roanoke Events <https://www.downtownroanoke.org/events/event-calendar>
- Virginia's Blue Ridge - [Events Calendar](#)

Your Acting GDNA Board of Directors for 2024:

- President: Adam Mastrangelo
- Vice President: David Harrison
- Secretary: Karen Cooper
- Treasurer: Kathy Merkwan
- Communications/Social/Website: Teresa Mastrangelo
- We are seeking any nominations for board positions for fall elections. If interested, please send an email to gdnaroanoke@gmail.com.
- The new website is <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/> - please check it out. There is lots of information - particularly in the Resources section as well as upcoming events.
- Please check the events tab <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-list> for updated meeting information and to RSVP.

Become a Member

The more members we have the bigger voice and influence we have with Roanoke City. **Let's get to 100 households by the end of 2024** - and we are two-thirds of the way there!

While there is no requirement to become a member of GDNA, there are costs associated with running the neighborhood association. These include meeting room rental, website costs, domain renewals, meeting signs, and maintenance of our neighborhood gateway signs. We hope you will consider an annual membership to help cover the costs and help expand events and activities we can plan and enjoy together as a community.

Annual dues are \$10 per household. You may pay at the next meeting or send a check to:

GDNA

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For any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact us at gdnaroanoke@gmail.com.

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