

# **GDNA Monthly Newsletter - September 2024**



### City Council Votes 6-1 to keep New Zoning Amendments

Roanoke City Council voted 6 to 1 on the minor changes related to the zoning reform that were passed on March 18, 2024. The zoning amendments that took effect this spring will remain in place. GDNA has collected most news articles related to the vote and may be found at <a href="https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/news-articles">https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/news-articles</a>

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

All Meetings will be held at <u>Covenant Presbyterian Church</u>, 1831 Deyerle Rd SW, Roanoke, VA 24018.

#### Thursday September 19, 2024: Roanoke City Council Candidate Forum

The next meeting of the Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association is Thursday September 19th at 7pm. This will be a moderated Q&A session with six of the seven council candidates. This meeting is open to the public. Join us at 6:30pm for a meet-n-greet with your neighbors, while the official meeting kicks off at 7pm. Please RSVP for this event at <a href="https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-details/gdna-meeting-september-19-2024">https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-details/gdna-meeting-september-19-2024</a>

#### Thursday October 10, 2024: Roanoke City Mayoral Candidate Forum

The Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association is hosting a Roanoke City Mayoral Candidate Forum with Joe Cobb, David Bowers and Stephanie Moon-Reynolds on Thursday October 10 at 7pm. This will be a moderated Q&A session and is open to the public. Join us at 6:30pm for a meet-n-greet with your neighbors, while the

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official meeting kicks off at 7pm. Please RSVP for this event at

https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-details/gdna-meeting-october-10-2024-confirmed

#### Thursday November 14, 2024: GDNA November Meeting

Back to our regularly scheduled programming with the November GDNA Meeting. We will have speakers from the Roanoke City Arts Commission as well as the Real Estate Tax Department. Additionally, GDNA members will officially elect your 2025 GDNA Board of Directors! Please note that per GDNA bylaws - only dues-paying households are eligible to vote.

## **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**

- 2024 fall equinox—also called the autumn equinox—takes place on Sunday, September 22, 2024.
- The September 21st Household Hazardous Waste Collection is sold out. Next events are:
  - Community Disposal Event on October 26, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Berglund Center Parking Lot, 710 Williamson Road.
  - Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, Saturday, November 16, 2024
  - https://www.rvra.net/35/Household-Hazardous-Waste
- Calendar for Downtown Roanoke Events <a href="https://www.downtownroanoke.org/events/event-calendar">https://www.downtownroanoke.org/events/event-calendar</a>
- Virginia's Blue Ridge Events Calendar
- Looking for News Sources? Check out both <u>Cardinal News</u> (daily) and <u>The Roanoke Rambler</u> (weekly) both only require you to sign up for access

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## **GDNA Acting Board of Directors for 2024**

President: Adam MastrangeloVice President: David Harrison

Secretary: Janet Kubic, Karen Cooper (Emeritus)

Treasurer: Kathy Merkwan - not seeking re-election

Communications/Social/Website: Teresa Mastrangelo

Candidates For Treasurer: Lee Cutright

 We are seeking any nominations for board positions for fall elections. If interested, please send an email to <a href="mailto:gdnaroanoke@gmail.com">gdnaroanoke@gmail.com</a>.

#### **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.

For any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:gdnaroanoke@gmail.com">gdnaroanoke@gmail.com</a>.

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