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*An e-newsletter from
the office of City Manager Mitch Johnson*

Police Chief Search Begins

Residents may give input into the selection process.

The official search for a new police chief has begun. Residents will have a number of opportunities to give their input on the qualities a new chief should possess:

- A series of neighborhood meetings, one in each Council district, where citizens can give their thoughts on what we should look for in a Chief and what they desire from the Police Department the Chief will lead.
- An [online form](#) where they can share their thoughts electronically.
- A panel of community representatives who will interview top candidates and help narrow the pool to a group of finalists.

A nationwide search for the new chief will be conducted, and City Council hopes to have a new chief hired by June 2007. For more information, contact Connie Hammond.

Check Your Facts Website

Factual information about the police investigation is online at GreensboroCheckYourFacts.org.

In an effort to provide as much transparency as possible in Greensboro city government, the City has created a website dedicated to addressing misinformation about City efforts and issues: greensborochekkyourfacts.org. Greensboro City Manager Mitchell Johnson and Mayor Keith Holliday announced the new initiative during a press conference on Friday, October 6, and provided an update on the ongoing police investigation and the police chief selection process.

"This is a new way of doing business," Johnson said. "The initial focus on the website is on the Police Department investigation. The information on the site is intended to debunk some of the urban myths surrounding the investigation."

Loose Leaf Collection to Begin

Loose leaves will be collected during two collection periods this fall.

The City will offer its Loose Leaf Collection Program beginning November 6 through January



The City's Contact Center recently conducted an informal poll of residents who called the Contact Center to determine their satisfaction with listening to recorded "on-hold" messages. These messages provide timely information about City services, events and information about our website and publications. The poll showed that 72 percent of callers found them helpful and acceptable. As a result, City staff will continue to update these messages to keep them timely and informative.

The final Music for a Sunday Evening in the Park concert of the season, scheduled for October 15 at Center City Park with the Allison King Band, has been cancelled due to the delay of the park opening.

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12, 2007. This year's program has two scheduled collection periods as follows:

- Leaves that are curbside by November 6 will be picked up by December 2
- Leaves that are curbside by December 4 will be picked up by January 12, 2007

[These guidelines](#) can help you ensure that your leaves will be collected. For more information, call 373-CITY (2489).

Greensboro Hosts NCLM

Conference will bring hundreds of state and local officials to Greensboro.

Approximately 1,200 municipal and state officials and guests are expected in Greensboro October 14-17 for the NC League of Municipalities (NCLM) 2006 Annual Conference. More than 530 North Carolina cities and towns comprise NCLM, which works to advocate for municipalities at the state and federal level.

Greensboro will have the opportunity to show off its award-winning neighborhoods at the conference. A mobile workshop will lead visitors to see Southside and Willow Oaks, as well as the revitalized downtown. For more information on the conference, visit www.nclm.org.

Information about Bond Issues on the November Ballot

Questions or comments about this newsletter should be addressed to: Nancy Lindemeyer, Communications Manager, 373-2105 or [email](#).

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