



# CITY OF TAKOMA PARK

## City Manager Comments

Report for City Council Meeting of July 25, 2018

### *Information to Share*

#### **National Night Out – Tuesday, August 7!**

National Night Out, celebrated by police departments across the nation, is a unique crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW). The Takoma Park Police Department will be hosting its own community event in celebration of this campaign. The department's goal is to heighten safety and crime prevention awareness; to support locally-based businesses, groups, and organizations; and to strengthen relationships among community members and between the community and local police department.

The event is free, so bring your whole family and invite all your friends! This year's event will include informational brochures on various safety topics and crime prevention, food and give-aways. There will be a number of events, including child fingerprint kits & child fingerprinting, a moon bounce, face painting, games & prizes, food & ice cream... just to name a few!

We look forward to seeing everyone!

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

6 pm – 9 pm

7510 Maple Avenue (in front of Piney Branch Elementary School)

#### **Quick Update on Dockless Bike Evaluation Report**

County staff informed us that they expect their consultants will wrap up their evaluation report on the dockless bike pilot in early August. We will share this information when it is available. On a related note, you may have seen in yesterday's Washington Post that Ofo is pulling out of the area. A representative for the company said that DC's regulations were too strict to work for their business model.

#### **Hiring Update**

We are currently advertising for a number of positions, including Economic Development Manager, Grants Coordinator, Crime Analyst, Contract CDL Driver (a great opportunity for someone in the community who has a CDL and is looking to make some extra money on an as-needed basis!), Police Officer, Recreation Program Assistant, Recreation Program Leader, HR Intern, HR Coordinator, and Planning Intern.

#### **Schedule During Recess**

While the City Council is on recess in August, a number of staff will be taking time off. I will be on vacation August 17 through 31. Deputy City Manager Jason Damweber will take time off earlier in August, but will be here during my absence.