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From the Mayor's Desk's Desk

Q&A on Plans for Town Center Events, Safety

Construction on our new Town Green is well underway. I know everyone has questions on what kind of events will take place at the Town Green. While we're still some months away before our new town center officially opens, we've already begun looking at a list of possible events for 2019. And we're also working to ensure everyone enjoys their time at the Town Green. Below is a short Q&A which will provide more details and hopefully, will address some of your questions.

Q: What steps will the city take to ensure the safety of residents and others visiting the Town Green?

A: The city is partnering with the Gwinnett County Police Department to ensure visitors are safe. Not only will there be regular police presence, the town center will also feature a police substation which will be manned and located near the parking deck.

Q: Will there be established rules and regulations for those visiting the Town Green?

A: The city is in the process of creating a set of Town Green Rules and Regulations which define the privileges and obligations of visitors and guests. Those rules will be designed to ensure the safety of all who visit.

While the list is not yet finalized at this point, you can expect such rules as:

- No glass bottles or glass containers allowed
- Coolers will be permitted during special events
- No littering
- No fires or barbecue grills allowed
- Pets allowed but must be on a leash
- Motorized vehicles will not be allowed

It is our desire to create a place for all to enjoy safely and comfortably.

Q: What kind of events are planned for the Town Green?

A: We are still in the early stages of creating a lineup of activities. When the weather begins to warm in the spring, we're looking at events for both week days and weekends. Week day events might include Yoga on the Green, Games on the Green (frisbee, hula hoop, ring toss, etc.). An evening weeknight event might include a Farmers Market with cooking demonstrations, etc. Weekends could include such features as a dog show with pet parade, local band concerts, Karaoke night, community picnic and movie on the green, children's fashion show, community health fair, Art on the Green, Swap Shop, etc.

These are just ideas and suggestions, the list has not been finalized, and I can imagine as each year passes we will find new events for the entire community to enjoy.

One thing is certain, our town green will be a wonderful gathering place for the community.

Mayor Mike Mason