

ABSECON NEWS



CITY OF ABSECON 2020 NEWS & UPDATES

Bike. Walk. Absecon

WWW.BIKEWALKABSECON.COM

The New Jersey Department of Transportation has awarded Absecon with a grant to create a Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Plan!

Check out the website for more information!

The purpose of the plan development is to identify opportunities to enhance the existing Citywide active transportation network and improve access to key destinations throughout Absecon and regional connections. The result will be a data- and community-driven plan that serves as a roadmap for reducing walking and biking fatalities and serious injuries throughout the City and improving infrastructure and connections. The Plan will serve as a guide for City staff to prioritize locations of greatest concern and to inform the public where the City intends to focus its efforts.

Please participate in surveys found under the GET INVOLVED tab on the website.



Mayor Kimberly Horton at the 2020 Absecon Memorial Day Commemoration.

We are Absecon Strong!

MAYOR KIMBERLY HORTON

I appreciate everyone's support and patience as we navigate through this difficult time.

So many people have pulled together during this unprecedented environment. I have witnessed neighbors helping neighbors, people supporting our health care workers, grocery and food service employees. Also, a special thanks to residents supporting our local restaurants and ordering take out or dining outside.

Our police department, volunteer fire department, emergency management team, our city hall employees and of course our EMTs have continued to work diligently throughout these past months to make sure that Absecon stays healthy and strong and that government operations carry on to provide all city services to our residents. Your governing body also continues to meet and work together making important decisions to ensure a strong and stable community that will continue to grow and address the needs of its residents, as well as facilitate the use of city services and amenities. Many projects are underway which will improve the City's infrastructure and enhance the quality of life for its residents, businesses and visitors.

I understand we are living in challenging times as we adjust to what will eventually become a "new normal" that no one ever envisioned. Whether it be social isolation, economic stress on a business, being unable to see loved ones, going back to school, or just worrying what the future holds, we all just want to get back to as close to normal as possible. Although the finish line is not yet in sight, I believe that continued compliance with social distancing and other guidelines by our residents has brought some light to the end of the tunnel. I further believe that public health creates economic health and is the key to getting back to normalcy.

Lastly, I just want to say that I am more than proud to be the Mayor of this awesome community. Absecon is a very special place to live, known for its strong sense of community and hard-working residents. We are "Absecon Strong", and it is this resilience that will get us through this crisis. Stay the course and stay healthy and safe!

Sincerely yours, Mayor Kim Horton



2020 CENSUS

It is not too late to take the US Census 2020. **Every resident of Absecon COUNTS.** By completing the census, you will assist in bringing federal aid and resources to Absecon to support important services, such as schools, roads, health clinics, fire departments, food assistance and more. You can complete the census by mail, phone or online. For additional information and to complete the census, visit: <http://makeitcount2020.com/>

**ABSECON SHRED DAY
OCTOBER 10, 2020
9AM - 1PM**



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ABSECON POLICE DEPT.

Community Safety Tips

POLICE CHIEF JAMES LAUGHLIN

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the community for your continued support. Please take the time to communicate and get to know your neighbors during these troubling times. It is important to look out for each other and report any suspicious activity you may witness in our community. It is our job to serve you and the community, so do not hesitate to call us even if it is the most minuscule complaint. The police department is here to serve you 24 hours a day 7 days a week. I would like to remind everyone to lock your vehicles and belongings to help prevent you from becoming a victim of any crime. Remember, lighting is a great deterrent around your property as well. We need to be mindful of everyone to avoid any tragedies to our neighbors and the community, so I would also like to remind you of the following tips.

Bicycle Safety Tips

- Obey all traffic laws. In New Jersey, bicycles have the same rights and responsibilities as motor vehicles.
- Obey all signals
- Travel no more than two abreast when traffic is not impeded
- Ride with traffic
- Wear an approved bicycle helmet

Pedestrian Safety Tips

- Cross at corners and intersections. Use marked crosswalks where available.
- Before crossing look left, right, and then left again.
- Use pedestrian buttons and begin crossing the street on the "Walk" signal.
- Use sidewalks or walk facing traffic where there are no sidewalks.
- Watch out for vehicles turning right on red.
- Be visible at night and in inclement weather.
- Walk sober.
- Eliminate all distractions.

In closing, I would like to remind everyone the importance of social distancing. Together we will get through these unprecedented times as we get back to normal. Remember ABSECON IS HOME! Our community is unique as we always work together and keep our community safe. Please enjoy the rest of the summer.

Sincerely, Chief J.R. Laughlin



**SUNDAYS @ 7PM
HERITAGE PARK**

Concerts in the Park

**FACE MASKS & SOCIAL DISTANCING
REQUIRED**

7/12 TOM ALLEN BAND
70s, 80s, Rock & Roll, Funk

7/19 JUICY – THE BAND
Oldies, R & B, Classic Rock

7/26 TK and the HOWLERS
Working the Blues and Rock N Roll

8/2 MOTTS CREEK PICKERS
Classic Rock to Country Music

8/9 DANNY EYER
Rock and Roll, Classic Blues

8/16 BRANDON IRELAND BAND
Pop, Rock and Roll from All Decades

8/23 PAN GRAVY
Americana Three Part Harmony



ABTV

Watch ABTV for more Community Updates

**COMING SOON
-
Fall 2020!!**



The City of Absecon's NEW Fire Department will be located at:
544 New Jersey Avenue.

A very SPECIAL Thank you to all the Volunteers of A.F.D. No. 1!
We appreciate everything that you do!

TAX OFFICE

www.AbseconNJ.gov

ONLINE PAYMENTS & REMINDERS

You can now make online payments, or sign up to receive e-mail reminders at our

OFFICIAL WEBSITE: www.AbseconNJ.gov

Convenience Fees Apply

Sewer: Jan. 1st, April 1st, July 1st, Oct. 1st
Taxes: Feb. 1st, May 1st, Aug. 1st, Nov. 1st

Please call with us any questions at
609-641-0663
Jessica at Ext. 116,
Joy at Ext. 117 or
Ashley at Ext. 118

The Tax Office is available to assist you with any questions or concerns. Please do not hesitate to call us!



PUBLIC WORKS

Wipes Clog Pipes!

"FLUSHABLE" IS NOT WHAT IT SEEMS

Absecon has noticed an influx of debris in our sewer systems. Despite what the labeling may claim, "flushable" wipes are wreaking havoc on our sewer system and residential properties. They may technically go down when you flush, but wipes do not easily breakdown.

Please avoid flushing wet wipes, baby wipes, paper towels, disinfectant wipes, or mop refills. Thank you for your cooperation!

**FOR SEWER BACK UPS
CALL
609-641-0663 EXT. 200**