



Trinity CONNECTION

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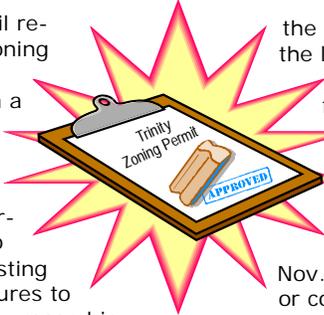
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ZONING PERMITS: Cost double\$ for not getting one!

The Trinity City Council recently doubled the zoning permit fee for property owners who fail to obtain a permit prior to undertaking development and construction activities.

Zoning review and/or permits are required prior to adding floor space to existing structures, adding structures to lots, subdividing property, recombining lots or starting certain businesses.

The cost of zoning permits range from \$25 to more than \$300 depending on



the complexity of the project and the level of technical review required for approval. The new fee for failing to obtain a zoning permit ranges from \$50 to more than \$600.

Property owners have a grace period in which to comply. The fee becomes effective Nov. 1, 2009. If you have started or completed a project for which you should have obtained a zoning permit, you may be issued one at the regular price if your project is in compliance with Trinity's zoning standards.

The purpose of zoning permits is to safeguard the health and welfare of City residents, ensure appropriate land uses, and protect property values. It costs less in time and money to obtain proper permits at the start of your project, than to risk penalties, fees and denial or removal of a non-permitted project.

Permit Information

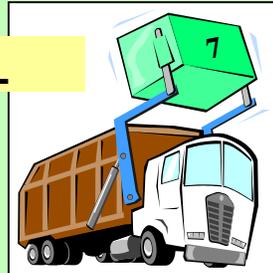
Trinity Planning Dept.: 431-2841

Development ordinances and fee schedule may be viewed online: www.trinity-nc.gov

Outdoor storage buildings and sheds: Property owners are responsible for getting Zoning Permits. Check with Planning Dept. about permits and location requirements for accessory buildings.

CITY HAUL

- Oct. 30, 31, Nov. 1, 6, 7, 8
- 8:30 — 4:30 (or until bins filled)
- 7194 Turnpike Rd. (YMCA Soccer fields)
- Info: 431-2841



CITY HAUL brings the landfill to you. Get rid of all the stuff that's cluttering your home and property by disposing of the junk in City provided dumpsters.

Acceptable Materials

Electronics, compact fluorescent lights (no tubes), metal, household trash & junk, appliances, yard waste

NEW Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) Disposal (home light bulbs in zip-lock type bags; **no tubes**)

CFLs use 75% less electricity than incandescent bulbs, but contain mercury and must be disposed of properly to prevent contamination.

What's not allowed: Tires, paint, batteries, toxic or hazardous materials, commercial waste. Some of these items may be taken to the County Landfill

Swap Shop

Gently used items may be dropped off at the site. Household goods will be given away to anyone in need. Items remaining at closing will be donated to a local non-profit.

Event is free for Trinity residents

Thank you to our partners: Accessible Outfalls, Friends of Trinity, Grubb Family YMCA of Archdale-Trinity, Synergy Recycling LLC

Trinity residents have disposed of 637 tons of trash and 3.8 tons of electronics since the first CITY HAUL in 2005



2nd Annual Car Show & Chili Cook-Off

Crafts & quality vendors, too!



- 🍊 October 18
- 🍊 10:30 a.m.
- 🍊 Braxton-Craven School
7037 NC Hwy. 62
- 🍊 No charge to see cars!
- 🍊 Information: 476-6498

Vendor Information

Registration: 8:30 a.m. on the 18th
Entry forms and prize information: www.trinitycarshow.com
Pre-registration fee: \$15
Day of show registration: \$20

Presented by
Friends of Trinity



The mission of Friends of Trinity is to enhance quality of life by preserving and maintaining the unique qualities of Trinity, creating areas of beauty within the city, and by developing programs and events that strengthen community spirit.

Call 431-9456 to join Friends of Trinity.

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How do we manage Stormwater?

The Spring, 2008 Trinity Connection contained information on stormwater runoff—the water that runs off streets, rooftops, parking lots, lawns and other land surfaces and eventually runs into our streams. The problems and impacts associated with stormwater runoff include downstream flooding, stream bank erosion and water pollution.

Stormwater Smart

Addressing these problems is a challenge for property owners, developers and all levels of government. Over time, a set of stormwater control principles and practices have emerged.

Traditional Approach

Draining runoff into a pipe as quickly as possible to prevent ponding is the traditional approach to stormwater management. This type of management often results in downstream flooding and water quality problems. The traditional approach does not typically attempt to minimize the generation of runoff or prevent or control stormwater pollution.

Current Integrated Systems Approach

The current trend is toward a more comprehensive “systems approach” to managing stormwater runoff. This includes an inte-

grated system of prevention and control.

The first principle is to minimize runoff and pollutants through land use planning. Techniques include establishing greenways along waterways, limiting impervious surfaces, setting minimum lot sizes, requiring building setbacks and vegetative buffers along streams, discharging downspouts from roof gutters into vegetated areas, and eliminating curbs and gutters and allowing runoff to flow off the street or parking area in a sheet flow.



The second principle is to manage runoff with its associated pollutants to minimize its impacts on humans and the environment in a cost effective manner. This approach stresses public education, optimum site planning and the use of more natural drainage systems,

rather than traditional curb and gutter and piped systems.

This “soft approach” can often reduce the cost of stormwater management on development sites.

Source: Land of Sky Regional Council, Asheville, NC

Report spills or illegal dumping

- Septic tanks:** 318-6261 (Randolph County)
- Animal waste:** 771-5289 (DENR*)
- Construction sites:** 771-5000 (DENR)
- Erosion:** 1-866-STOPMUD (786-7683)
- Online Hotline for reporting spills:**
<http://www.stormwatersmart.org/hotlinetip.html>

*DENR—NC Department of Environment & Natural Resources

City Advisory Boards

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Can the Grease

Grease, fats and oil poured down drains cause pipes to clog. Clogged pipes can cause raw sewage to back-up into homes, yards, streets and waterways.

Cooking oil is not the only culprit. Fats, oils and grease are found in meat fats, butter and margarine, shortening, mayonnaise and salad dressings.

Each year, there are more than 15,000 sewer overflows in North Carolina. Many of these overflows are directly related to the improper disposal of fats, oil and grease.

Protect your home and the environment by following these easy steps to prevent sewage blockages

- Never pour grease, oil, or fats down any drain.
- Scrape food scraps from dishes into trash cans and dispose of in the same manner as other garbage.
- Use a strainer in the sink to catch food scraps and other solids—then throw them in the trash.
- Pour cooled grease into an empty can or plastic bottle and dispose of in the trash.
- Use rubber scrapers and paper towels to remove grease and oil from cookware.
- Don't throw baby wipes, disinfecting wipes, towelettes, or any type of plastic into the toilet. These items do not break down and contribute to clogs and sewage backups.

City Officials

Mayor

Fran Andrews

Council Members

- Karen Bridges
- Barbara Ewings
- Kelly Grooms
- Barry Lambeth
- Robbie Sikes
- Tyler Earnst
- Linda Gantt
- Edith Reddick

Administration

- Ann Baillie,
City Manager
- Debbie Hinson,
City Clerk/
Finance Officer
- Lori Hunt,
Assistant City Clerk
- Lisa Beam,
Office Assistant
- Adam Stumb,
Planning/Zoning
Administrator &
Code Enforcement
Officer
- Joe Rainey,
Planning/Zoning
& Code Enforcement
Assistant

**State Employees Credit Union
ATM coming soon to Trinity**

The Trinity City Council approved a request to install a State Employees Credit Union (SECU) ATM on City property. The ATM will be located on one of the islands in the City's new parking lot. In exchange, SECU will pay a monthly rental fee to the City. Construction is expected to begin in October and the facility is expected to be operational in November. Credit Union membership is generally open to local, state, federal and school employees.

Food Drive

Graduates of a local leadership program are conducting a food drive during October. Nonperishable foods may be dropped off at City Hall for delivery to Community Outreach of Archdale-Trinity (COAT), a local service agency. "Fill the Pantry" is a service project of 2008 graduates of Discovering Archdale-Trinity: A Leadership Program, developed and implemented by the Archdale-Trinity Chamber of Commerce.

Project Safe Place

Trinity City Hall has been designated a Safe Place location - part of a network of youth friendly businesses, schools, fire stations, libraries, YMCAs and other public buildings that display the distinctive yellow and black Safe Place sign. At a Safe Place location, young people at risk of abuse, neglect or serious family problems may seek access to immediate help and safety. Fair Grove Fire Station on Welborn Rd. is also a Safe Place location.



Who to Call

Emergencies: 911
Deputy Jim Rich patrols Trinity. Call 431-2841 to set up a private meeting.

Animal Control:
878-8235

**Open House set at new
City Hall Annex**



The New City Hall Annex still lacks a covered front porch and handicapped access, but is expected to be open by Nov.

Community residents are invited to a holiday open house to celebrate the opening of the City Hall Annex.

Open House

- Tues. 12/16/08
- 5:30—7:00 p.m.
- Recognition of special guests at 7:00 p.m.
- Refreshments

Mayor Fran Andrews and the City Council will recognize members of the community who donated time and resources to construct the new facility and parking lot adjacent to City Hall, 6701 NC Hwy. 62.

The open house is scheduled prior to the regular city council meeting at 7:00 p.m. Special guests will be recognized at the beginning of the meeting.

The Annex will be used for City meetings and will house the planning and stormwater departments.

Greenway system will follow Uwharrie River tributaries

Easement acquisition has begun for the first phase of a citywide greenway system. Trinity is home to the headwaters of the Uwharrie River and the greenway will generally follow tributaries of the river and parallel sewer line installation for Phase 4-A. The first phase will provide a greenway from Trinity High School to just short of the YMCA soccer fields on Turnpike Road. The greenway may eventually connect to Archdale's system allowing hiking and biking from Trinity to the new YMCA facility in Archdale and to Creekside Park.



City of Trinity appreciates land owners who have dedicated property for the greenway. Map of proposed greenway is online: www.trinity-nc.gov

transportation. Greenways often follow natural or existing land or water features such as ridgelines, rivers, utility corridors, and abandoned rail lines. Although each greenway is unique, most connect recreational, natural, cultural, and/or historic areas.

Studies have identified the impacts of greenways on users, local landowners, and trail communities. While legitimate issues and concerns have been raised at the onset of greenway projects, research has shown that adjacent landowners'

fears prior to greenway development were unwarranted.

Source: Virginia Dept. of Conservation and Recreation

Greenways are open space corridors that can be managed for conservation, recreation, and/or alternative

Greenways benefit communities in many ways including economic, transportation, environmental, health and recreational:

- Provide for hiking, strolling, biking, picnicking, fishing, and other recreational activities.
- Link cultural and historic sites—fostering greater awareness and appreciation for them.
- Provide refuge and safe migration routes for wildlife.
- Provide alternative transportation routes by providing bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- Improve water quality by buffering streams and trapping pollutants.
- Reduce flood damage and costs related to damage.
- Increase real property values.
- Enhance economic development and tourism.
- Improve overall quality of life.



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City of Trinity: City of Vision

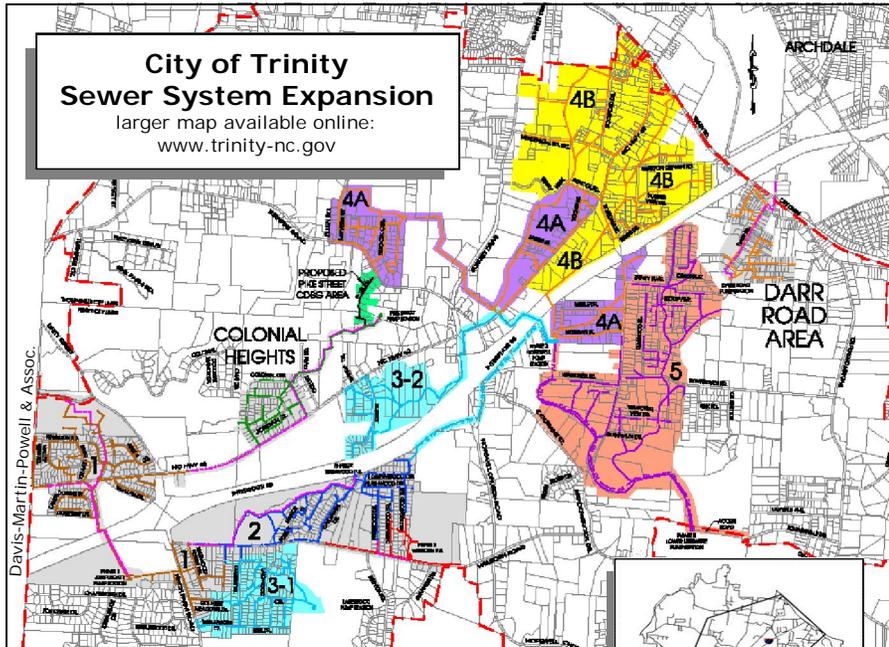
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Projected Completion Dates

Phase 3: Oct. 2009	Phase 4B: Fall 2013
Pike Street: March 2010	Phase 5: Future
Phase 4A: April 2011	Service Available: Phase 1, 2, Darr Rd., Colonial Hgts.
Greenways are planned along some utility easements in Phase 4A	

Public Notice

Sewer System Update — Construction has started in phases 3-1 and 3-2. Property owners in these phases may set up no-interest payment schedules to pay the discount tap fee of \$1,000 by the deadline set for each phase. Tap fees paid after this date will be \$1,500. Please call 431-2841 for information on setting up a payment plan.

USDA Housing Programs — Low to moderate income families may be eligible for financial assistance for new or improved housing. Information: (336) 294-7181.

DSS office in Archdale—Randolph County Dept. of Social Services has office hours at Archdale Methodist Church, 11543 N. Main, on first, third and fourth Thursdays from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. At this location, applications may be made for Food Stamps, Family and Childrens Medicaid, Work First, Emergency Assistance, and Crisis Intervention programs. Information: (336) 878-8109.

Job Openings with Census Center — More than 40 Partnership Specialist positions are available to assist with the 2010 Census. Partnership Specialists will develop partnerships with governmental units, community- and faith-based groups, schools, media, service providers, businesses, etc. The partnerships are designed to increase participation in the Census. Interested persons should review the Recruiting Bulletins for Partnership Information available at www.census.gov/rocha/www/ or www.usajobs.com.

City Meetings Schedule

By Nov. 1, 2008, all meetings are expected to be held in the new City Hall Annex. Until then, meetings are held at Trinity Memorial United Methodist Church, 7142 NC Hwy. 62 or Guil-Rand Fire Station, 6258 Welborn Rd. Call City Hall to confirm meeting locations: 431-2841.

City Council

Regular meetings are held third Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Pre-agenda meetings are held second Tuesdays of each month at 4:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Board

Meets fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Board serves as Board of Adjustment.

Infrastructure/Parks & Rec Committee

Meets first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Public Safety Board

Meets fourth Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting agendas are posted online: www.trinity-nc.gov.