

North Little Rock e-Newsletter

Provided by Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Treasurer

July 2025

Pops On The River

Celebrate Independence Day in Central Arkansas Friday, July 4, 2025.

Pops On The River is Little Rock's largest Independence Day celebration. This free event is presented by the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* and brings people from across the state to the Little Rock (and North Little Rock) downtown areas.

Activities in our sister city to the south include multiple music performances, culminating in a concert by the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra. A colorful fireworks display can be seen from both the south and north sides of the Arkansas River!

- Vendor Marketplace and Food Trucks—satisfy your taste buds with the diverse culinary offerings from a variety of food trucks and explore the shops at the Little Rock Vendor Marketplace.
- Military Appreciation Tent—All military members (active, retired, or reserve) and their dependents can visit the Military Appreciation Tent (Little Rock) to receive giveaways and a discount card to use with Pops on the River vendors. The first 100 military members to check-in at the tent will receive free reserved seating (Little Rock side).
- Patriotic Concert—Watch live performances by Kemistri Band featuring Nicky Parrish, The Rodney Block Collective, and the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra.
- Fireworks begin at 9:15 p.m. above the Main Street Bridge and will be visible from downtown areas of Little Rock and North Little Rock (Argenta).



For the best parking, be sure to show up early and stay late. The gates to the First Security Amphitheater will open at 5 p.m. Chairs and blankets are welcome. There will be plenty of food and beverage vendors open as well as opportunities for entertainment and air conditioning throughout the afternoon. While you wait for the fireworks, take advantage of the River Market Entertainment District.

If you plan to watch the fireworks from the North Little Rock side of the river, visit the North Little Rock Argenta Entertainment District before heading to your viewing site either on our side of the river or the south side.

Note—the Main Street Bridge will be closed from 1 p.m. until 10 p.m., and the Rock Region METRO Streetcar will not be in operation.

For more information go to: <https://www.littlerock.com/events/annual-festivals-events/4th-of-july/>



"Where's Mel"? Be the first person to call 501-975-8617 and tell us where you found Mel hiding and win!



**North Little Rock
Animal Services**
For more information
call **501-791-8577**



It's that time of year to talk about fireworks.

Fireworks are illegal in the City of North Little Rock.

Pursuant to North Little Rock law, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess, store, offer for sale, sell at retail, set off, ignite or otherwise explode any firecrackers or other fireworks by whatever name called within the city limits (this does not apply to Pops on the River or other public approved events).

As a pet owner, what can you do? The information below was found at: <https://www.24petwatch.com/blog/pets-and-fireworks>

- Make sure all doors and windows are securely closed.
- Make their crate (or other favorite hiding spot) readily available.
- Keep your pets in a separate, quiet, low-activity room when entertaining.
- Keep an eye on your guests. Visitors to your home may forget and leave a door, window or gate open.
- Make sure your property is free of (firework) debris before you let your pet back outdoors.
- Consider a Thundershirt (something similar) if your pet is prone to fearfulness.









- Ensure your pet's microchip information is up-to-date and they have a readable ID tag. It's even a good idea to leave the collar with their information on them during an event that could result in bolting or escaping due to fear.

For information on some helpful steps to follow if your pet does get out, visit the following link: <https://www.24petwatch.com/blog/what-to-do-if-your-pet-runs-away>.

Fireworks

explode like magnified gunfire in the exquisitely sensitive ears of all creatures.

Bees become so disoriented they don't go back to their hives


Birds have panic attacks at night, causing mass deaths

Wild animals raising babies abandon their dens in fear


Fish & other animals perish after ingesting firework debris

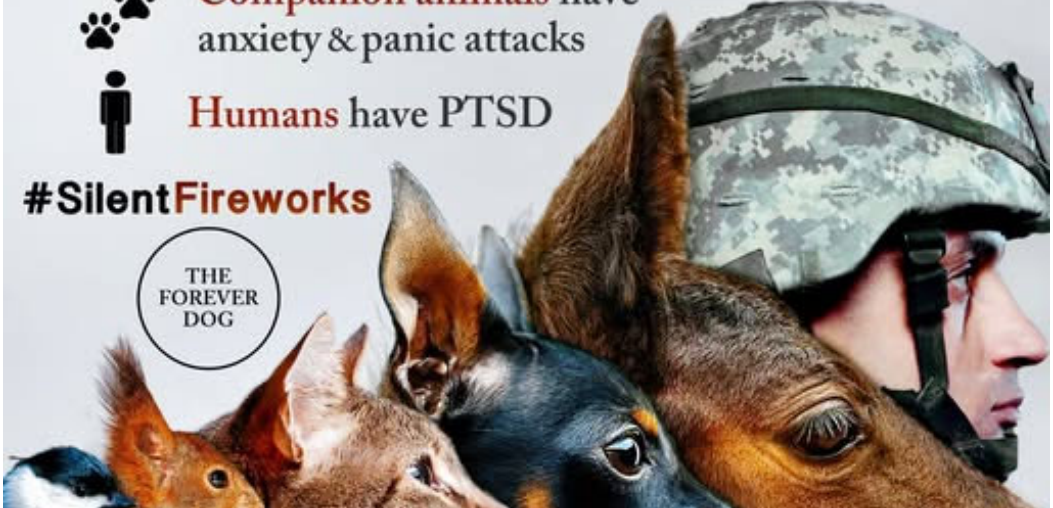
Companion animals have anxiety & panic attacks

Humans have PTSD



#SilentFireworks






*Need a new
addition to your
family?*
Call 501-791-8577
...we've got the
perfect companion
for you!



Our shelter is full of dogs, cats, puppies and kittens in need of a furever home. Please consider adopting a shelter pet for your next pet.

**Please Don't Litter
Spay or Neuter
Your Critter**



Don't shop! Please adopt!



North Little Rock Fire Department



Summer Safety Tips



Keep these tips in mind as you and your family enjoy summer vacations, camping, family reunions, picnics and the Fourth of July.

Fire safety



Build campfires at least 25 feet away from tents, shrubs and anything that can burn.



If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts. Sparklers can reach 1,200 F and cause third-degree burns.



Use propane, charcoal and wood pellet barbecue grills outdoors only. Indoor use can cause a fire or carbon monoxide poisoning.

Place your grill well away from siding and deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches. Do not store or use a grill on a porch or balcony.





Mayor Terry C. Hartwick holds a monthly department head meeting. Department heads provide a report of activities, projects, and accomplishments. **May 2025**

Senior Center—1,055 volunteer hours and 87 new members. 6 group trips. .

Finance— City sales tax collections was lower from same period last year

by 5.1%. County collections were higher by 1.89%. Retail tax down 2.6%.

Sanitation—Garbage and yard waste crews collected 2,361.53 tons (4,723,060 lbs) of household garbage, rubbish and junk. Yard Waste crews also collected 126 loads (3,655.00 cubic yards) of green waste. 347 waste tires picked up. Sanitation Code performed 28 inspections, 28 re-inspections and issued 10 notices for non-compliance. No citations were issued. Recycling tonnage 213.74. Units 50 & 51 (Street Dept) picked up 455 bags of trash, other units picked up 232 bags of trash, along with car parts, buckets, etc.

Traffic Services—Barricade Permits—36, AR One Call—25, Signs/Post replaced—43, City Vehicles marked with logo—0. Speed study 2700 Justin Matthews.

Police—Sergeants Robert Cupps and Wade Tollett graduated from the School of Law Enforcement Supervision at the Criminal Justice Institute which is a distinguished 4-week program focused on leadership and advanced management. Congressman French Hill visited The Justice Center and toured the building. Officers Sean McGowan and Cody Stroud were promoted to Sergeant. Sergeant Phil Evans was promoted to Lieutenant. 12 recruits graduated from the Joint Police Academy—6 are with the NLRPD.

Fire—1,302 incidents, 733 Rescue & EMS, 212 Good Intent Calls, 176 Service Calls, 100 False Alarm, 45 Fire. 4,872 Fire Training hours. 178 Building Surveys.

Emergency Services/911—Incoming calls: 6,271—non-911 calls, 6,783—911 calls, 761—abandoned 911 calls.

Planning—sign permits—8, banner permits—0, demolition permits—10, 6 commercial remodel — average \$60,374, 0 new commercial—average \$0, Issued 27 new single family residence permits—average \$168,528, 66 residential remodel—average \$14,125, 5 residential additions—average \$18,200, 0 new multi-family units.

Code Enforcement—assigned calls—140, initiated calls 584, citations—10, violation notices—853, vehicles tagged—128 vehicles towed—0, lots posted—99, signs removed—1, structures inspected—48, rental inspections—22, food service inspections—9, search warrants—6, structures condemned—3, houses demolished by city—2, houses demolished by owner—3, vacant lots cleaned/mowed—253, lots with structures cleaned/mowed—248, vacant houses secured—7, tires removed—0.

Parks and Recreation—Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum had 943 visitors. History Hounds School Field Trip (70), Alpha Kapa Alpha Sorority South Regional Conference (failed to show up), Two Rivers (32), Garrett Memorial Christian (16), Jacksonville Christian Academy (15), St. Joe School (35), 1 overnight—Troop 400 (35), 1 Special Event—Harding University (100). Funland opening weekend—1,350 attended. Ribbon cutting held at Crystal Bluff. Field reservations: Soccer 21 practices, 46 games and 2 tournaments. Youth Baseball 26 practices, 9 games, 2 tournaments. Softball 11 practices, 62 games, no tournaments. Senior Baseball 8 practices, 4 games, 2 tournaments. Disc Golf 1 tournament. Stone Links Cricket 4 games. Facilities rented: pavilions rentals (54), Hospitality House (17), Idlewild (8), Stone Links (12), River House (9). Burns Park Golf hosted the following tournaments: Wildcat Foundation Scramble, Home for Healing Benefit, LRAFB fundraiser, AR Senior Amateur Tour. Burns Park Tennis: USTA 70s Sectional, Aces for EDI, Fast Four Tournament, USTA League State Championships. Burns Park Pickleball: 3 Leagues use 7 courts Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 6 - 8 p.m. Lessons offered. All month—Leagues play. Tournament held May 24-25, Special event May 31.

Animal Services—Incoming:

Dog 193/ytd 735
Cat 141/ytd 415
Other 2/ytd 24

Adopted:

Dog 41/ytd 211
Cat 102/ytd 342
Other 3/ytd 23

Reclaim:

Dog 24/ytd 127
Cat 2/ytd 5
Other 0/ytd 1

Euthanized:

Dog 122/ytd 356
Cat 25/ytd 37
Other 0/ytd 0

Service calls: 576/ytd/2,459

Citations: 30/ytd 122

Vouchers (spay/neuter) issued: 31/ytd 148



NLR Electric—

Customers: 40,814

Revenue: \$7,267,995

Peak Demand: 158,088 kW

Territory: 60 square miles

RS (Residential Solar) Net Meter Customers: 391

Total RS solar panel capacity: 2,925 kW

Average RS solar panel capacity: 7.48 kW

Residents with solar arrays larger than 10 kW: 65

Total capacity of customer-owned solar: 6,096 kW

Major outages: 5-18-25 manual open to fix broken insulator, primary on double circuit, 1,185 customers out 12 minutes.

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Revenue Expenditure Report—Month Ending 3-31-2025 (updated report not available)

Revenues

Miscellaneous	\$ 85,036
Licenses & Permits	\$ 382,580
Property Tax	\$ 380,312
Intergovernmental	\$ 148,580
Franchise Fees	\$ 320,754
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 4,872,319
Charges for Services	\$ 286,767
Fines & Fees	\$ 217,967
Interest Income	\$ 24,031
Total	\$ 6,718,345

Expenditures

Administration	\$ 192,073
Animal Shelter	\$ 99,871
Special Appropriations	\$ 521,894
City Clerk	\$ 44,377
Emergency Services/911	\$ 245,123
Finance	\$ 108,892
Fire	\$ 1,589,641
Health	\$ 8,062
Legal	\$ 67,436
1st Court	\$ 56,539
2nd Court	\$ 43,432
Human Resources	\$ 77,697
Planning	\$ 92,982
Police	\$ 2,424,438
Code Enforcement	\$ 93,025
Engineering	\$ 88,746
Neighborhood Services	\$ 49,186
Sanitation	\$ 484,211
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 112,415
Senior Citizens Center	\$ 67,089
Communications	\$ 79,342
Fit 2 Live	\$ 225
Total	\$ 6,545,695

North Little Rock Recognizes Volunteers at 29th Annual Luncheon

North Little Rock Mayor Terry C. Hartwick recognized city volunteers who donated their time and expertise in city departments during the year of 2024.

Participating city departments and organizations included: *Argenta Community Council/Arts Foundation, Central Arkansas Master Naturalist, Civil Service Commission, Community Gardens, Friends of the Old Mill, Lakewood Property Owners Association, Laman Library, Master Gardeners of the Old Mill, NLR Mayor's Youth Council, NLR Airport, NLR Fire Department, NLR History Commission, NLR Housing Authority, NLR Parks and Recreation, NLR Planning Commission, NLR Police Department, NLR Residential Housing, NLR School Board, NLR Senior Citizens Commission, NLR Patrick Henry Hays Senior Center, NLR Police Athletic League, Rose City Youth Symposium, St. Joseph Center of Arkansas, NLR Senior Citizens Outreach and Wastewater Treatment Commission.*

Volunteer service hours for the year 2024 were 66,940.

The Volunteer of the Year Award was given to Mr. Bert Turner (pictured below). Bert has volunteered over the years in many areas around our city including having served on the NLR Tree Board.



Fireworks are prohibited in North Little Rock

Section 3301.1 in Volume I of the North Little Rock Municipal Code includes the following:

Fireworks. Except as hereinafter provided, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess, store, manufacture, offer for sale, sell at retail, set off, ignite or otherwise explode any firecrackers or other fireworks by whatever name called within the city limits; provided that the use of fireworks for public display shall be allowed upon the approval of the fire marshal after all of the provisions of NFIPa 1123 are met and all necessary permits have been issued. Every such use or display shall be of such character and so located, discharged or fired so as not to be hazardous to property or endanger any person.

No parent or guardian of a minor shall furnish money or a thing of value to a minor for the purchase of fireworks or encourage, act in conjunction with or in any manner instigate or aid a minor in the commission of having, keeping, storing, selling, offering for sale, giving away, using, transporting or manufacturing fireworks within the corporate limits of the city. The violation of this section shall be an offense regardless of whether or not the minor shall be charged or found guilty of the offense. The commission of the offense by the minor on the property under the control or owned by the parent or guardian shall be prima facie proved that the parent or guardian aided the minor.

The fine or penalty for violations, upon conviction in municipal court, shall be no less than \$25 and no more than \$500.



Extreme Heat Safety

Found at [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org)

An extreme heat event is a series of hot days, much hotter than average for a particular time and place. Extreme heat is deadly and kills more people than any other weather event. Climate crisis is making extreme heat events more frequent, more severe, and last longer. But we can take action to prepare. Prepare now to protect yourself and your loved ones.

Extreme Heat is Too Dangerous to Be Invisible

Knowing what to do to protect yourself and your loved ones can save lives. Protect yourself, your loved ones and your neighbors by staying connected with your community. It could save a life.

What Should You Do Before Extreme Heat Occurs?

Learn How to Stay Hydrated—You need to drink enough water to prevent heat illness. An average person needs to drink about 3/4 of a gallon of water daily. Everyone's needs may vary.

- You can check that you are getting enough water by noting your urine color. Dark yellow may indicate you are not drinking enough.
- Avoid sugary, caffeinated and alcoholic drinks.
- If you are sweating a lot, combine water with snacks or a sports drink to replace the salt and minerals you lose in sweat.
- Talk to your doctor about how to prepare if you have a medical condition or are taking medicines.

Gather Emergency Supplies

Gather food, water and medicine. Stores might be closed. Organize supplies into a Go-Kit and a Stay-at-Home Kit. In the event of a power outage, you may lose access to clean drinking water. Set aside at least one gallon of drinking water per person per day. Consider adding drinks with electrolytes. Include sunscreen and wide-brimmed hats.

- **Go-Kit:** at least three days of supplies that you can carry with you. Include backup batteries and chargers for your devices (cell phone, CPAP, wheelchair, etc.).
- **Stay-at-Home Kit:** at least two weeks of supplies.
- Have a 1-month supply of medication in a child-proof container and medical supplies or equipment.
- Keep personal, financial, and medical records safe and easy to access (hard copies or securely backed up).

Consider keeping a list of your medications and dosages on a small card to carry with you.

Make a Plan to Stay Cool

Do not rely only on electric fans during extreme heat. When temperatures are in the high 90s, fans may not prevent heat-related illness. Taking a cool shower or bath or moving to an air-conditioned place is a much better way to cool off.

- Spending a few hours each day in air conditioning can help prevent heat illness.
- If you have air conditioning, be sure that it is in working order.
- If you do not have air conditioning or if there is a power outage, find locations where you can stay cool. For example, a public library, shopping mall, or a public cooling center. Plan how you will get there.

- Additional resources may be available from local government or community groups.
- Make sure you have plenty of lightweight, loose clothing to wear.
- Create a support team of people you may assist and who can assist you. Check in with them often to make sure that everyone is safe.



During heat waves people are susceptible to three heat-related conditions. Here's how to recognize and respond to them.

Heat Cramps are muscle spasms caused by a large loss of salt and water in the body.

What to look for:

- Heavy sweating with muscle pain or spasms

What to do:

- Move to a cool place.
- Drink water or a sports drink

Get medical help right away if:

- Cramps last longer than 1 hour
- Person affected has heart problem

Heat Exhaustion is severe and may require emergency medical treatment.

What to look for:

- Heavy sweating
- Cold, pale and clammy skin
- Fast, weak pulse
- Nausea or vomiting
- Muscle cramps
- Tiredness or weakness
- Dizziness-Headache-Passing out

What to do:

- Move to a cool place
- Loosen tight clothing
- Cool the body using wet cloths, misting, fanning, or a cool bath
- Sip water slowly
- Get medical help right away if:
- Vomiting occurs
- Symptoms last longer than 1 hour or get worse

Heat Stroke is deadly and requires emergency medical treatment.

What to look for:

- High body temperature (104°F or higher)
- Hot, red, dry or damp skin
- Fast, strong pulse
- Headache-Dizziness
- Nausea-Confusion-Passing out

What to do:

• Call 911 right away, then:

- Move to a cool place
- Cool the body using wet cloths, misting, fanning, or a cool bath
- Do NOT give the person anything to drink.

The dog days of summer (as they say) have rolled in a little early this year! It's too hot to turn on the oven, so keep it cool with a no-cook dinner!

All recipes found at tasteofhome.com

EASY Gazpacho (summer soup)

Ingredients:

- 2 cups tomato juice
- 4 medium tomatoes, peeled and finely chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped seeded peeled cucumber
- 1/3 cup finely chopped onion
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp pepper

Directions:

In a large bowl, combine all ingredients. Cover and refrigerate until chilled...at least 4 hours.



Chicken Tacos with Avocado Salsa

Ingredients:

- 1 lb. boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2-inch strips
- 1/3 cup water
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1 Tbsp chili powder
- 1 tsp onion powder
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp paprika
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder

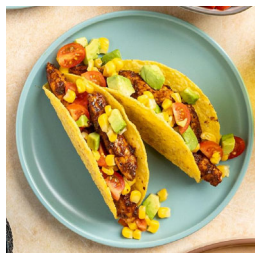
- 1 medium ripe avocado, peeled and cubed
- 1 cup fresh or frozen corn (thawed)
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 2 tsps lime juice
- 8 taco shells, warmed.

Directions:

Place a large skillet coated with cooking spray over medium-high heat. Brown chicken. Add water, sugar and seasonings. Cook 4-5 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink, stirring occasionally.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, gently mix avocado, corn, tomatoes and lime juice. Spoon chicken mixture into taco shells; top with avocado salsa.

Tip: use a package of store bought taco seasoning instead of spices listed above to save time!



Healthy Tuna Salad

Ingredients:

- 2/3 cup reduced-fat mayo
- 1/2 cup chopped sweet onion
- 1 tsp minced fresh parsley or 1/4 tsp dried parsley flakes
- 3/4 tsp pepper
- 1 can (12 oz) Albacore white tuna in water, drained and flaked
- 4 medium tomatoes, cut into wedges.

Directions:

In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, onion, celery, parsley and pepper. Stir in tuna. Serve with tomato wedges.



All recipes found at thepioneerwoman.com

No-Bake Lemon Icebox Pie

Ingredients:

Crust

- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs (10 to 12 whole crackers)
- 1/4 cup packed light or dark brown sugar

Pinch of salt

6 Tbsp unsalted butter, melted

Filling

- 8 oz cream cheese, softened
- 1 can (14 oz) sweetened condensed milk
- 1/2 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1 TBLSP grated lemon peel

Directions:

In medium bowl, mix *crust* ingredients. Press evenly into ungreased 9-inch pie plate. Refrigerate 1 hour.

In a large bowl, beat *filling* ingredients until smooth. Spread evenly in crust. Refrigerate 6 hours or until set. Serve with whipped topping if desired.



ChexMix™ White Chocolate Bark

Ingredients:

- 16 oz white chocolate baking bars or vanilla-flavored candy coating (almond bark)
- 3 cups ChexMix™ snack mix (honey nut or traditional flavor)

Instructions:

Line cookie sheet with wax paper.

Break white chocolate into small pieces in medium microwaveable bowl. Microwave uncovered on High about 2 minutes, stirring after each minute, or until almost melted. Stir until smooth. Spread on paper-lined cookie sheet to 1/4-inch thickness, about 13x9-inch rectangle.

Immediately top with snack mix: press into melted chocolate. Let stand about 1 hour, or refrigerate about 30 minutes or until firm. Break into 2-inch pieces. Store tightly covered at room temperature.

Invite your friends to munch.



ChexMix™...an old and new treat with an endless way to mix it! Whether you like it salty (like this old recipe) or sweet (like the one above, make up a batch with your family!

It's too hot to be outside so make up something on the inside!

Whatever you do this summer do it with those you love while creating life-long family memories!



Peddlers Permit City of North Little Rock

Issued to: **Mel Dun**

Issued: 7/1/2025

Expires: 9/29/2025



Sex: Male

Eyes: Brown

Hair: Dun

Height: 15 hands

Employer: **Equine sunglasses**

Type of Goods Sold: **Sunglasses for horses**

City Clerk and Treasurer Diane Whitbey

By: **SAMPLE ONLY—**

only valid with signature

Deputy City Clerk / Treasurer, Revenue

To see a **list of issued permits**, visit the city website at nlr.ar.gov, then click City Departments and scroll down to City Clerk and Treasurer. Look for the dark box and click on Current Door to Door Peddlers.

To see an **individual ID/Permit**, click on the person's name. All licensed door-to-door peddlers are **required to have the ID issued by the City Clerk's Office with them at all times**.

****Currently, we have no licensed door to door solicitors in the city as of July 31, 2025.**

All persons doing business ***of any kind*** within the city limits of North Little Rock are required to have a Business/Privilege License. This includes home-based such as lawn care or internet sales.

****If a business operates 1 day into the new year, it is required to obtain a business license at the full fee.****

All 2024 NLR Business Licenses expired December 31, 2024. **A that have not renewed are now past due. A 50% penalty will be applied to any invoices paid after July 1, 2025. If you have any questions**, please contact the North Little Rock City Clerk's Office at 501-975-8617.

Why do cities charge a privilege tax?

Cities charge a privilege tax for the right to engage in specific activities or operate certain businesses within their jurisdiction.

Here is a breakdown of why cities (and towns) use privilege taxes:

Revenue Generation:

- **Funding Public Services:** The primary reason for privilege taxes is to generate revenue for the city.
- **Essential Services:** This revenue helps fund essential public services like infrastructure, public safety, sanitation, parks, and other community amenities.

User-Based Funding:

- **Benefit Principle:** Privilege taxes can align revenue generation with those who directly benefit from the city's services and infrastructure by engaging in specific activities or businesses.
- **Fairness:** It can be argued that those who engage in certain profitable or impactful activities within the city should contribute to the city's upkeep and services.

Regulating Business and Activity:

- **Business Operations:** Privilege taxes can function as a regulatory tool, ensuring that businesses operating within the city adhere to local rules and ordinances, according to L&Y Tax advisors.
- **Permits and Licenses:** Many privilege taxes are levied in exchange for a permit or license to operate a particular business or engage in a specific profession, ensuring oversight and accountability.

Examples of Privilege Taxes:

- **Business Privilege Tax:** A tax on the gross receipts or other measures of a business operating within the city.
- **Occupational Privilege Tax:** A tax on certain professions or occupations within the city.
- **Transaction Privilege Tax (like in Arizona):** A tax on specific transactions, often on the seller, for the privilege of doing business in the city.
- **Other Examples:** Could include taxes on specific activities like short-term rentals, or events, depending on the city.

In summary, cities charge privilege taxes to raise revenue for public services (like police, fire, streets, drainage), ensure businesses contribute to the community, and regulate certain activities within their jurisdiction.

The North Little Rock City Clerk and Treasurers Office team works hard to ensure existing licenses are correct (reflecting the type of business being performed/offered), accurate (ensuring the business is being charged the correct fee based on services offered). Current (following up with existing businesses to ensure they are operating legally within the current year. Tracking new businesses (ensuring all businesses are treated equally and licensed).

If a state license or inspection is required (contractor, day-care, health inspections, etc.) our team will obtain a copy prior to issuing a license. This helps protect our constituents before they hire a contractor, sign up with a daycare or eat in a local restaurant.

We are here to serve our community! If you have any questions, give us a call! 501-975-8617.

North Little Rock City Council Schedule

The North Little Rock City Council meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at **6:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers in City Hall (300 Main Street, North Little Rock).

For more information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 501-975-8617 or email Diane Whitbey at Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov.

The City Council Agenda can be found at nlr.ar.gov, then click on the Elected Officials tab, followed by City Council then scroll to upcoming City Council Agenda.

City Offices located at 700 West 29th

Construction and Building Services Mary Beth Bowman	501-975-8881
Finance, Ember Strange	501-975-8802
Human Resources, Betty Anderson Fit 2 Live	501-975-8855
Legal, Amy Fields, City Attorney	501-975-3755
Planning, Shawn Spencer	501-975-8835
Utilities Accounting, Terrell Milton	501-975-8888

City Council Members

Ward 1	Debi Ross Nathan Hamilton	501-753-0733 501-952-7679
Ward 2	Linda Robinson Nicole Hart	501-945-8820 501-960-2461
Ward 3	Steve Baxter Ron Harris	501-804-0928 501-758-2877
Ward 4	Vince Insalaco III Scott Fowler	501-951-0786 501-765-5868

Other Elected Officials

Mayor Terry C. Hartwick	501-975-8601
City Clerk/Treasurer Diane Whitbey	501-975-8617
City Attorney Amy Fields	501-975-3755
Dist Court Judge Randy Morley	501-791-8562
Dist Court Judge Paula Juels Jones	501-791-8559

North Little Rock Curbside Recycling schedule for July 2025.



June 30—July 5, recycle
July 7—11 no pickup
 July 14—18, recycle
July 21—25 no pickup
 July 28—August 1, recycle

Utility Payment Assistance and Other Numbers

Central AR Development Council.....	501-603-0909
Little Rock Catholic Charities...	501-664-0640 ext 459
Saint Francis House.....	501-664-5036
Watershed.....	501-378-0176
Helping Hand of Arkansas.....	501-372-4388
River City Ministries.....	501-376-6694
Arkansas Metro.....	501-420-3824
Arkansas Food Bank.....	501-565-8121
American Red Cross.....	501-748-1021
Salvation Army.....	501-374-9296

Telephone Numbers for City Hall

Mayor's Office.....	501-975-8601
Terry C. Hartwick	
City Clerk & Treasurer.....	501-975-8617
Diane Whitbey	
Communications.....	501-975-8833
Shara Hutchcraft	
Revenue Enforcement.....	501-975-8612
Officer David Pettit	
Special Projects.....	501-975-3737
Arnessa Bennett	

July Birthdays

Name	Dept	Date	Name	Dept	Date
JOHNSON, SHANNON	ELECTRIC	1	MONROE, CHERI	OES/911	16
PAUL, ANITA	ADMIN	1	OGINSKI, JOSHUA	ELECTRIC	16
ZIMMERMAN, MITCHELL	POLICE	2	DAVIS, WILLIAM	FIRE	17
DAVIS, MIKE	ADMIN	2	BELCHER, DUSTYN	FIRE	17
MAULDIN, JORDAN	FIRE	3	THRELKELD, JOSHUA	POLICE	17
MCEUEN, TIMOTHY	CODE ENFORCEMENT	3	COBB, TREY	ELECTRIC	18
DAVIDSON JR, JOHN	STREET	3	BUSH, UNARD	SANITATION	18
SIMPSON, KYLE	FIRE	4	MILBY, WILLIAM	POLICE	19
MONTGOMERY, SAMUEL	POLICE	4	TREVINO, KIMBERLY	LEGAL	19
ATKINSON, ALEX	ELECTRIC	4	TAYLOR, SHAMILLE	POLICE	19
LOTT, JACOB	ELECTRIC	4	MOORE, WHITNEY	ELECTRIC	20
KOBA, KAYLA	FINANCE	6	FORTSON, STEPHEN	FIRE	21
ANDREWS, MICHAEL	Parks Maint	6	THOMAS, RODNEY	POLICE	21
HOOPER, DOMINIC	POLICE	7	CHRISTIAN, ZACHARY	FIRE	22
WILKERSON, JAMAURION	POLICE	7	DEDRICK, BRIAN	POLICE	22
THOMAS, BRIAN	FIRE	8	DESIZLETS, JOHN	POLICE	22
GARDNER, ANTHONY	SANITATION	8	WILLIAMS, CEDRIC	CODE ENFORCEMENT	22
HICKS, CASH	FIRE	8	SGARAGLINO, AMANDA	OES/911	24
GRAY, GARY	OES/911	9	ROJO, KARLA	CODE ENFORCEMENT	24
WILLIAMS, WARREN	TRAFFIC	9	ROLLINS, KAREN	OES/911	25
MELTON, DAVID	ELECTRIC	9	ROSE III, JOHN	IT	26
ELENBAAS, JEFFREY	POLICE	9	GENTRY, BRENDA	SECOND COURT	27
BERRY, JACKSON	Parks Maint	10	SCHWEIGER, CASEY	ANIMAL SHELTER	27
HOOD, MARK	POLICE	11	BURGER, FRANK	ELECTRIC	28
NICHOLS, CARLA	POLICE	11	YOUNG, VIRGINIA	AIRPORT	29
ELLIOTT, ERIC	STREET	13	STOUT, KEVIN	FIRE	29
MARRA, MICHAEL	FIRE	14	NOLAND, BAILEY	COMM DEVELOPMENT	29
MOORE III, FREDERICK	STREET	14	ADAMS, LAITH	FIRE	29
BENNETT, BRANDON	POLICE	14	STRONG, DARIAN	OES/911	29
MANN, DAVID	FIRE	15	RATTAY, MATTHEW	ELECTRIC	29
LEWIS, JOSHUA	Parks Maint	15	GARNER, KOLBE	FIRE	29
CHAMNESS, STEVEN	POLICE	15	HAWKINS, JASON	POLICE	29
JOHNSON, KEITH	PARKS RECREATION	15	TURNER, JASON	Parks Maint	29
ELROD, RUSSELL	CODE ENFORCEMENT	16	BUSH, WILLIAM	ADMIN	31

Information regarding employee anniversaries and birthdates is provided by Human Resources the prior year (i.e. 2024 was provided in 2023). So if an employee name is on the list that has retired or resigned, please disregard. Also, typos happen! Please let me know if a name is spelled wrong and a correction will be included next month! For employees who leave the city and come back in a different capacity or department, your length of service may change as well. Example, I worked in the Mayor's Office 10 years, then was elected City Clerk. I have been in the City Clerk's Office 23 years. My total service with the city is 33 years.

If this scenario applies to you, please email me at least one month before the month of your anniversary month so I can include your total service to the City of NLR!

Diane (Dwhitbey@nlr.ar.gov)

July Anniversaries

<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i># Yrs</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Dept</i>	<i># Yrs</i>
BAILEY, COLLEEN	ADMIN	4	TULLOS, JOSEPH	IT	10
USSERY, SHELLEY	CITY CLERK/TREASURER	9	CLAYTON, ANTIGUDRA	OES/911	8
SHINN, TALOR	CITY CLERK/TREASURER	8	SGARAGLINO, AMANDA	OES/911	1
MCHENRY, FELECIA	CODE ENFORCEMENT	25	WOODS, SHATORIA	OES/911	2
ELROD, RUSSELL	CODE ENFORCEMENT	26	POWELL, TOMMY	PARKS GOLF	8
BROWN, ISAARIA	ELECTRIC	1	BURNAM, ELROY	PARKS GOLF	1
KINCAID JR, WILLIAM	ELECTRIC	9	BREWER, THOMAS	Parks Maint	25
MCNEIL, KYLE	ELECTRIC	13	DANCHENKO, IAN	Parks Maint	1
JONES-QUIRARTE, KIMBERLY	ELECTRIC	1	DANIELS, ALYSON	PLANNING	8
MILTON, TERRELL	ELECTRIC	20	NORRIS, GARY	PLANNING	4
SMITH, JENA	ELECTRIC	7	MOORE, TATUM	POLICE	2
BAILEY, KEILER	ELECTRIC	1	HOPE, IAN	POLICE	12
GIPSON, JOSHUA	FIRE	2	JACKSON, IRVING	POLICE	3
COPPOCK, DANIEL	FIRE	2	OLIVER, BRETT	POLICE	2
CARTER, JARROD	FIRE	11	HAMILTON, BRANTON	POLICE	2
HARLAN, TRENT	FIRE	10	DONLEY, DANIELLE	POLICE	3
GARNER, ALAN	FIRE	26	COBURN, JEFFREY	POLICE	12
GASTON, DALTON	FIRE	12	COLLINS, JERRY	POLICE	5
PLATT, MELANIE	FIRE	7	VELIZ PONCE, ANTHONY	POLICE	5
LANKFORD, STEVEN	FIRE	22	HOOD, MARK	POLICE	2
WALKER, SEAN	FIRE	22	WILKERSON, JAMAURION	POLICE	2
KECK, BRANDON	FIRE	2	WRIGHT, MICHAEL	POLICE	2
BELCHER, DUSTYN	FIRE	4	VANASSCHE, JACOB	POLICE	5
POE, WILLIAM	FIRE	23	BLEVINS, DEVIN	POLICE	2
WEST, SANDRA	FIRE	4	STROUD, CODY	POLICE	11
TREADAWAY, MICHAEL	FIRE	27	KRECEK, JENNIFER	POLICE	2
EISENHOWER, COREY	FIRE	17	MAYFIELD, FLOYD	SANITATION	3
FREY, CHAD	FIRE	24	JOHNSON, MARCUS	SANITATION	8
STEPHENS, WESLEY	FIRE	23	BUSH, UNARD	SANITATION	3
HOBSON, CHARLES	FIRE	21	PHILLIPS, ANTHONY	SANITATION	9
BRADSHAW, JUSTIN	FIRE	17	SMITH, JAYLA	SECOND COURT	2
POOL, LUKUS	FIRE	1	WIRT, ANGELA	SENIOR CENTER	21
MATCHETT, MATTHEW	FIRE	10	RUMMEL, ERNEST	STREET	41
WARD, JEREMY	FIRE	11	DUNCAN, ERIC	STREET	9
COBBS, RAY	FIRST COURT	5	NEBLING, TODD	STREET	17
WOODS, LATONIA	IT	30	HEISER, DAVID	TRAFFIC	13
MCCOY, DYLAN	IT	2			

City of North Little Rock Offices will be closed ***Friday, July 4, 2025***
in observance of **Independence Day.**

Garbage, trash and recycling routes scheduled for
Friday's pickup will be on Saturday.

New Look for North Little Rock Funland!

North Little Rock Mayor Terry C. Hartwick, City Officials other staff, and Parks and Recreation Committee members joined together for a Ribbon Cutting and Grand Reopening of Funland in Burns Park. Our beloved old park was destroyed by a tornado in March of 2023 which presented an opportunity to reinvent the area by including a splash pad! You can tell by the photos below a great time was had by all!





NLR Tree Board
members Ian Hope,
Paul Shell, and Ash-
ley Mobley joined
Mayor Terry C. Hart-
wick, staff from NLR
Parks & Recreation,
Old Mill Master Gardeners and a few others to plant a new tree at the Old
Mill.



North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce F.Y.I. Membership Luncheon

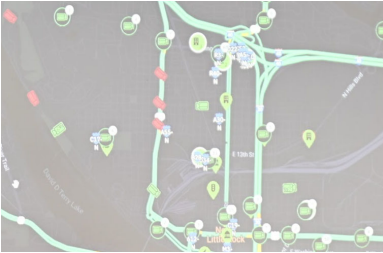
The North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce hosts a monthly luncheon for their membership. These lunch and learn opportunities bring business owners and other members together for an opportunity to network and learn. Recently, North Little Rock Police Chief Patrick Thessing provided updates to members which included an introduction to the Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) to enhance its crime-fighting capabilities. This center acts as a hub where police can ingest and analyze surveillance video, intelligence, and data from various sources in real-time.



The department is always looking for better ways to serve the community. One is to work cooperatively with our residents and businesses. When investigating crimes, it helps to have footage of suspects. NLRPD has implemented a camera surveillance registration program which will allow NLRPD to keep a record of all homes and businesses that register their camera systems which would allow Officers and Detectives to make contact with owners in a timely manner to hopefully solve crimes faster. All information is confidential.

For more information or to register visit: connectnorthlittlerock.org or call 501-758-1234.

For information about the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, visit nlrchamber.org or call 501-372-5959.



Rope Cutting & Grand Opening of **CRYSTAL BLUFF** at Big Rock Quarry

Check out the new rock climbing feature at the Big Rock Quarry in North Little Rock!

Features Arkansas River Trail, bluffs, historic features from previous quarry, numerous unpaved trails, pump track, bike park with several skill elements AND...CLIMBING AREA!

Special thanks to the Arkansas Climbers Coalition, a 501C3 for their efforts in preserving and protecting climbing areas here in The Natural State, especially North Little Rock!

To find other sites around the state visit arkansasclimbers.org

3320 River Road
Hours 8 a.m to 30
minutes after sunset

