



THE CITY REVIEW

The City of Orangeburg

DPS Chief retires, interim named



Interim Chief Dr. Charles Austin, left and Chief Mike Adams meet with officers.

Chief Mike Adams recently announced his retirement after nearly 35 years with the City of Orangeburg.

During a recent meeting with officers he told them that he is very proud of the work they do every day. He reminded them that there is life outside of law enforcement and encouraged them to plan for life after the job.

"It has been a distinct honor to be your Chief," Adams said. "I am very proud of the work that you do. You put your life on the line every day and don't even think about it. The City of Orangeburg has been very good to me and I have been happy to serve."

Former Columbia Police Chief and City Administrator Dr. Charles Austin has been named Interim Chief. He said he understands that this is a bittersweet time, but says there is work to do.

"We are here to serve," Austin said. "We have work to do. There is a lot of talent and resources here."

City receives Public Safety grant

The Department of Public Safety has been awarded a grant by the SC Department of Public Safety, Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs in the amount of \$36,087 to focus on impaired driving.

The project will begin on October 1 and will allow one officer per shift on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights to focus on enforcement activities.

According to the SC Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs' 2022 Highway Safety Guidelines, Orangeburg County ranks 13th for all fatal and severe injury DUI Alcohol and/or drug related collisions and 12th in all fatal and severe injury collisions.



New staffing changes announced

The following staff have been hired beginning January 2021:

Baker, Betty	Airport Supervisor
Breuers, James	Fire Engineer
Cornelius, Ciana	Communications Operator I
Creech, Pamela	Municipal Court Technician
Curry, Trevor	Fire Engineer
Dunn, William	Public Safety Officer I
Evering, Sidney	City Administrator
Fields, Tashayla	Communications Operator I
Fields, Tierra	Public Safety Officer II
Hardin, Joseph	Fire Engineer
Jackson, James	Maintenance I
Jackson, Mitchell	Public Safety Officer II
King, Cameron	Facility Coordinator
Kittrell, Sarah	Communications Operator I
Knight, Logan	Public Safety Officer I
Lee, Kayla Carldejah	HR Assistant
Miller, Isaac	Maintenance Worker 1
Moore, William	Animal Control Officer
Muth, Ryan	IT Intern
Rivas, Jeffrey	Public Safety Officer II
Robinson, Martha	
Tierra	Communications Operator I
Strosnider, Shawn	Cart Personnel
Titus, Christopher	Fire Engineer
Van Cleave, Jennifer	Public Information Officer
Williams, Christopher	Public Safety Officer II



The following are reassignments and organizational announcements, effective 10/1/2021.

Clayton Bozard,
Director of Technology and Innovation

Linda McDaniel,
Executive Administrative Assistant & City Clerk to Council

Ryan Muth, Grants Specialist

Meredith Garris,
Community Coordinator

Theresa Williams,
Human Resources Director



Tuesday, October 5

Council meeting, City Gym — 6 p.m.

Sunday, October 17

9 a.m. The 17th HMGA will begin at Hillcrest Golf Course. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

10 a.m.—1 p.m. Parks and Recreation will offer a softball clinic instructed by the South Carolina State softball team. Space is limited for ages six through 12. The clinic will be held at Orangeburg Recreation Park, 224 Magnolia Village Parkway.

Monday, October 18

The 18th annual SPCA golf tournament at Hillcrest will begin with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Registration begins at 11 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. The course will be closed to outside play.

Tuesday, October 19

Council meeting, City Gym — 6 p.m.

Thursday, October 21

The 21st annual OARC golf tournament begins at 9 a.m. Registration opens at 8 a.m. Contact Hillcrest Golf Club for more details.

Monday, October 25

Parks and Recreation will host a drive through Trunk –Or–Treat at Orangeburg Recreation Park located at 224 Magnolia Village Parkway. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. and conclude at 7 p.m. Please enter at the main entrance across from Lowe's. There will be one-way traffic only. Candy will be distributed only to children present in vehicles while supplies last. For more information, call 803-533-6020.

THANK YOU!

To show appreciation for the City's customer's, the finance department held Customer Appreciation Day on September 9.

Customers received a goody bag as a token of thanks.

Orangeburg Municipal Airport hosts South Carolina breakfast club

Orangeburg is the home of the South Carolina Breakfast Club, which originated in 1938 and has continued every other Sunday. The next event will be held on October 31 and will begin at 8 a.m.

The hosting airport provides breakfast at an average cost of \$10.00 per person to feed the pilots who fly in for the event.

Socializing begins early. Planes are admired and then breakfast is served.



DPS officers participate during Serve and Connect event



Officers from DPS, along with other officers from across the state packed food boxes for Greg's Groceries, a project through Serve and Connect. The City recently partnered with the organization that works to build relationships between police and local communities. During the event, DPS officers packed 60 food boxes which will be given to local families in need.



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