

ERIE EDITION

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2020



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ERIE'S SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD PRESENTS

WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING TIPS

SIMPLE STEPS WITH HUGE IMPACT



RECYCLE-IT-RIGHT

WITH THE ECO-CYCLE RECYCLING TOOL APP!

This app will keep you informed about trash pickup day, special collection services, and events. It also includes the Waste lookup tool. Available in both English and Spanish.

Virtual Public Comment
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WHEN GROCERY SHOPPING

Use a reusable or paper bag instead of plastic. Everyone is very excited about you showing off your culinary skills, but no one likes plastic bags that don't biodegrade and can't be recycled!



Tips WASTE REDUCTION & RECYCLING

> erieco.gov/Recycling



COMPOST

Your food scraps and yard waste in your curbside bin or backyard compost. This will create a great mixture of nutrients to feed plants and soil.

A LETTER FROM MAYOR JENNIFER CARROLL

Erie Responds to COVID-19 with Ingenuity and Commitment

Economies across the country are getting hit hard by the effects of COVID-19. The measures implemented to minimize the spread of the virus are forcing many businesses to reduce their operations to a minimum or close their doors temporarily or even permanently. The Town of Erie has adapted and responded to the changing landscape and I have highlighted a few of our efforts below.



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The Erie Board of Trustees meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays.

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1 Created financial assistance grants for local businesses. Erie utilized funds from our healthy general fund balance to award grants to local businesses hurt by the pandemic. These measures were initiated immediately and provided businesses the support they needed until federal funding was made available. A total of \$300,000 was distributed to 44 local businesses in either \$5k or \$10k amounts.

2 Eased local regulations. Many restaurants were restricted to pickup/delivery only or were short on indoor/outdoor space to abide by the physical distancing requirements enacted to keep diners and restaurant workers safe. The Town decided to close a portion of Briggs Street for the summer to allow restaurants to offer expanded outdoor seating that was socially distanced. This would allow the restaurants to operate at a larger capacity than otherwise able.

3 Encourage residents to shop local. Alongside the Erie Economic Development Council and Erie Downtown Business Association, the town created an interactive business map and social media campaign to create more visibility for our local businesses.

4 Continue to move our community forward. While some communities may be experiencing a lull in economic development brought about by the pandemic, Erie is fortunate to be doing well given the challenges COVID has created for local governments. The Town is moving forward with planned projects and companies are still expressing interest in planting roots in Erie. Here are a few of the projects that have recently reached milestones.

- Nine Mile Breaks Ground: this site at the SE corner of Arapahoe and 287 will soon be home to Lowes and other businesses.
- Town Center Moving Forward: traffic infrastructure plans have been approved and construction on two roundabouts is expected to begin in early 2022. Creating this necessary core infrastructure will help activate the commercial opportunities.
- Coal Creek Disc Golf Course now open: designed with the help of residents, this 18-hole course includes a 9-hole beginners' course.

5 Support residents. With money the Town has received from COVID relief grants, we are now offering a one-time \$100 utility bill relief credit to residents in need. Visit www.erieco.gov/UbGrant for details.

I want to thank our residents for helping support each other and our local businesses. I want to thank our staff for working extended hours to provide core services and complete emergency planning, as well as donating their time to clean up our parks and open spaces. As Erie continues to work together through this global pandemic and all the associated challenges, I am encouraged by the adaptability and strength our community has demonstrated. I hope you all stay healthy and safe.


Mayor Jennifer Carroll

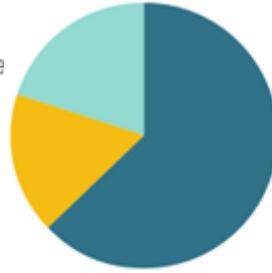
RATE AND FEE CHANGES

Water & Wastewater

Currently 11% of accounts consume 21% of water used.

- 63% of customers (lower than average and average water users) will pay less than they do today
- 17% of customers (average water users) will increase less than \$50/year
- 20% of customers (above average water users) will increase more than \$50/year

*Assumes the same amount of water use as in 2020.



A new rate structure is coming in January 2021! The tiered system, that charges users based on how much water they use has been adjusted to reward those who use less. If customers use the same amount of water they have been using in 2020, 60 percent of customers will pay less than they do today!

Details will be coming soon in the December utility bill. In the meantime, for more information, and FAQs visit:



erieco.gov/WaterRates

NINE MILE



Construction is underway at the southeast corner of Highway 287 and Arapahoe Road for the Nine Mile development.

On October 5, construction activity began at the Nine Mile Corner beginning with excavation and grading of the entire 47-acre property. Next, crews will extend the waterline from the north side of Arapahoe Road to the site. Evergreen Development reports the grading to conclude in December at which time a retaining wall, and on-site utilities will be installed.

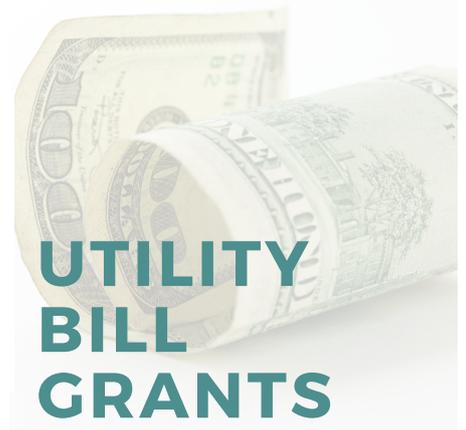
Learn more about the project and view site plans at



NineMileCorner.com

NINE MILE CORNER

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UTILITY BILL GRANTS

Apply by Dec. 15

The Town is offering \$100 one-time grants to residents financially impacted by the COVID-19 crisis. The grant is made possible by federal CARES Act funds.

No income qualifications are required, just proof of financial impact due to COVID-19.



erieco.gov/UBGrant



TOWN CENTER

The Town has received final design concepts for the north and south gateways of Town Center.

The approved designs will take shape as roundabouts to be constructed in a phased approach in early 2022.



erieco.gov/TownCenter



COLD WEATHER TIPS

The Town of Erie Building Division has a few cold weather tips to prepare your home. Taking a few simple steps now may help save you time and money in the long run. A few tips to consider:

- Flush out water heaters to clear away sediment and debris to maximize efficiency.
- Repair weather stripping on exterior doors.
- Inspect roof for missing shingles, holes, leaks, damaged flashing.
- Check exteriors for potential openings into your home. Water, pests and animals can make their way in and cause damage.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Town Hall Closures

- Thursday, November 26
- Friday, November 27
- Thursday, December 24
- Friday, December 25
- Thursday, December 31
- Friday, January 1



Community Center Hours

Thanksgiving	November 26	6a-1p
Christmas Eve	December 24	6a-1p
Christmas	December 25	<i>Closed</i>
New Year's Eve	December 31	6a-1p



NO SCHOOL DAYS!

Let your kids (ages 5-14) celebrate their days off of school by joining Camp Erie!

Campers will play games, go rock climbing, swim, and much more!

Bring a bathing suit and towel, a sack lunch and two snacks.

The program runs from 7a - 6p with before and after care included.

Monday - Wednesday
November 23 - November 25



Registration is available online or in person at the Erie Community Center.

 erieco.gov/camperie

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