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# Calendar of Events

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## August

- 6 Meet with the Mayor, 5 p.m.
- 6 Council Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 8 Events Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Beautification Foundation Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 13 Comprehensive Plan Update Community Engagement Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 16 1964 Cayce Dixie Youth Baseball World Series Championship Exhibit
- 19 Zoning Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 19 Planning Commission Mtg., 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Lexington District II School Begins
- 20 Housing Authority Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 21 Council Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 26 Neighborhood Leaders Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- 28 Bulk/White Goods Collection Day

## September

- 2 City Hall Closed - Labor Day
- 3 Meet with the Mayor, 5 p.m.
- 3 Council Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 4 Museum Commission Mtg., 4 p.m.

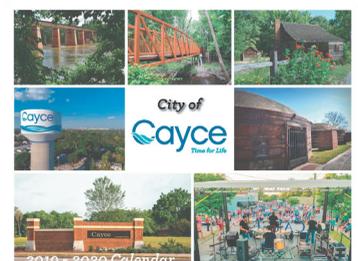
- 9 Beautification Foundation Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Events Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- 16 Zoning Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 16 Planning Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 18 Council Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 24 Public Safety Foundation Mtg., 5:45 p.m.
- 25 Bulk/White Goods Collection Day
- 30 Neighborhood Leaders Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 15 Housing Authority Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 16 Council Meeting, 5 p.m.
- 18 Cayce Drives Golf Tournament @ Indian River Golf Club
- 21 Zoning Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 21 Planning Commission Mtg., 6:30 p.m.
- 28 Neighborhood Leaders Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 30 Bulk/White Goods Collection Day

## October

- 1 Meet with the Mayor, 5 p.m.
- 1 Council Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 2 Museum Commission Meeting, 4 p.m.
- 5 Cayce Fall Fest @ Granby Gardens Park 1-7 p.m.
- 7 National Night Out @ Cayce Department of Public Safety Headquarters, 6-8 p.m.
- 10 Events Committee Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Fall Plant Exchange @ Cayce City Hall, 9 a.m.
- 14 Beautification Foundation Mtg., 5:30 p.m.

*September 2 Garbage, Yard Trash and Recyclables will be picked up on Wednesday, September 4.*

**Stop by Cayce City Hall to pick up a FREE copy of the City's 2019-2020 City Calendar!**



# Cayce Times

Fall 2019

## City Reflections

### *A Letter from Mayor Elise Partin*

A decade is a long time, but two big things happen every 10 years in Cayce: the Census and a new Comprehensive Plan.

Every City is mandated by law to have a Comprehensive Plan, that outlines a long-range vision for growth, but for most this plan sits on a shelf and is rarely referred to, until it has to be updated. In Cayce, as you know, that's not how we do business. The 2010 Comprehensive Plan was put together with substantial citizen input and is required to be reviewed and updated each year by Council and staff, to ensure we are staying consistent with it. This means that your voice is what has guided us over the last 10 years. We have accomplished so much in that time because, when facing a decision, we followed the vision you set forth within the Comprehensive Plan and didn't simply view it as a box we had to check. See the article in this newsletter that tells you about

an upcoming input session. As we embark on creating our 2020 plan, we need your input.

The Census is also coming up and is SO important to us. We need EVERY Cayce resident to be counted. If we miss you, it will have huge consequences for you and our City. Your political power would be diminished because state and federal representation is based on population numbers. There will be less funding for things like health care services, education programs and bridges and roads. Our economies could also suffer. Businesses use census data to make \$4 trillion in annual private investment decisions. And the information helps them decide where to build, invest in other businesses and what to sell to whom. Utility companies use it to influence where they add infrastructure and invest in new technology.

The Constitution mandates the



Census Bureau achieve a fair and accurate count of every person living in the United States – regardless of ethnicity, immigration status, income level or ZIP code. Strict privacy and confidentiality protections allow our communities to be counted without fear. The laws that protect the confidentiality of census responses are ironclad. Those who fear opening their doors can be counted online, by phone and through community-based efforts.

Join us as we continue to talk about these important pieces of our City. **We value your input.**

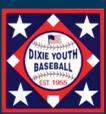
*Elise Partin*

## Cayce Drives Golf Tournament

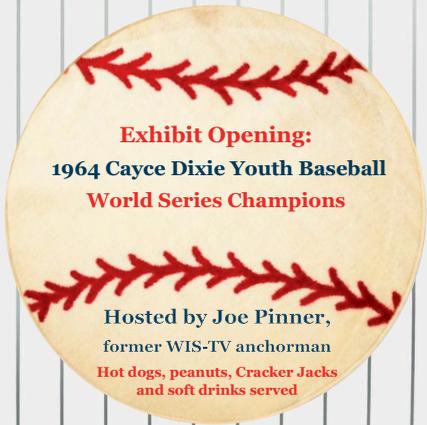
The 4th annual Cayce Drives Golf Tournament benefiting the Cayce Public Safety Foundation will be held Friday, Oct. 18 at Indian River Golf Club. Follow us on Facebook to get all the updates: <https://www.facebook.com/caycepsfoundation/>.

## Plant Exchange

The City of Cayce hosts a Spring and Fall Plant Exchange each year. Everyone is invited to bring seeds, bulbs, clippings/cuttings, potted house plants, shrubs, and even trees. However, you do not have to bring a plant to participate. A master gardener will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. Rain or shine, these events will run until all plants have a new home. These events are child and pet friendly and refreshments will be provided. This year's Fall Plant Exchange will be held on Saturday, Oct. 12, 2019 at Cayce City Hall.



**Cayce Historical Museum**  
1800 12th Street, Cayce, SC



**Exhibit Opening:**  
**1964 Cayce Dixie Youth Baseball World Series Champions**

Hosted by Joe Pinner,  
former WIS-TV anchorman  
Hot dogs, peanuts, Cracker Jacks  
and soft drinks served



Friday  
August 16, 2019  
3:00-5:00 P.M.



## Baseball Exhibit Opens Aug. 16

The Cayce Historical Museum will open a new exhibit on the 1964 Cayce Dixie Youth Baseball Champions on Friday, Aug. 16, 2019. The local all-star team went 22-3 and beat Halifax, Virginia in the 1964 Dixie Youth World Series held in Columbus, Mississippi. The Cayce Historical Museum will have a reception for the surviving team members, their families, and the public at the opening of this new exhibit from 3-5 p.m. on Aug. 16. The reception is free and will include, hot dogs, peanuts, Cracker Jacks, and soft drinks. It will be hosted by former WIS-TV anchorman Joe Pinner. Come out to honor this team and to see the new exhibit at the Cayce Historical Museum.

## 12,000 Year History Park Highlights

In just one square mile of the 12,000 Year History Park, there is proof of 12,000 years of habitation, including Colonial, Civil War, and Revolutionary War history. Upcoming events include: (1) A talk on Sept. 18, 7 p.m., Cayce Historical Museum Visitor Center, on the Civil War Earthworks Threats Assessment and Preservation Plan project; (2) Civil War Battlefield tours (alternate Saturdays); (3) First Fort Congaree and Colonial history walks (alternate Saturdays); and (4) Archaeology Field Day, Oct. 26, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., a gathering of archaeologists, prehistoric and historic skills demonstrators, storytellers, and more; (4) History walks, which are approximately 2 miles, start at the Cayce Tennis Center, 1120 Fort Congaree Trail. For more information, visit [cayce12000years.com](http://cayce12000years.com) or [Facebook.com/12000YearHistoryPark](https://www.facebook.com/12000YearHistoryPark).

## Fall Festival Coming to Cayce

The City of Cayce Events Committee is excited to announce a new event for Cayce residents and visitors, the Cayce Fall Fest. This FREE culturally diverse event will be held Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019 from 1-7pm in Granby Gardens Park, featuring performances by live local bands and a DJ. The band line-up includes Mystic Vibrations, a four-piece Reggae band with music that speaks love, unity and peace; Nueva Generacion, a younger generation of four phenomenal musicians playing Mexican regional music; and Rhythm 54, an exciting new and highly versatile band playing across a variety of musical genres to include classic rock, blues, and country music. The festival will also include a FREE kid's area with bounce houses, balloon artists, face painters, games and hay rides. You can expect great international food and drinks (including beer and wine), a dance floor, local art vendors and much more, making it suitable for families of all ages.



## Comprehensive Plan Update

In 2010, the City of Cayce completed its 10-year Comprehensive Plan, which laid out multiple goals for how Cayce should grow in the next ten years. Since then, these goals have served as a road map for the City and much has been accomplished along the journey to arrive to where we are now. New water lines have been installed throughout the neighborhoods; Knox Abbott Drive is undergoing a major transformation in safety and beauty; several City parks have been renovated; the Cayce Riverwalk is completed and drawing thousands each year to experience nature in the heart of a busy urban area; and many new businesses and residents have moved in to call Cayce home.

Now it is time to reflect on where we are in 2019 and where we want to be in 2030, as we embark on our next Comprehensive Plan. To kick off our work, we will hold our first community engagement meeting at Steel Hands Brewing, one of our great new businesses, on August 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. This is the beginning of our work on the Comprehensive Plan, and we need to hear from you! Your input will have a tremendous influence on how the Cayce Planning Commission, City Council, and staff, along with our consultant Central Midlands Council of Governments, write this Plan and establish our goals. Please come to celebrate how Cayce has grown, and most importantly, to share your vision of what it can be in the next 10 years. We will have light refreshments and non-alcoholic beverages. If you can't make this meeting, there will be plenty of opportunities to stay engaged, and you can contact Cayce's Planning Director, Carroll Williamson, at any time to discuss. He can be reached at 803-550-9503 or [cwilliamson@caycesc.gov](mailto:cwilliamson@caycesc.gov).



# Public Safety Recognized

Cayce Department of Public Safety, led by Director Byron Snellgrove, received the distinguished recognition of becoming a South Carolina State Accredited Agency on June 7. The South Carolina Law Enforcement Accreditation Program, an initiative of the S.C. Police Chiefs' Association and the S.C. Sheriffs' Association, is designed to demonstrate a commitment to professional law enforcement practices. The process of becoming accredited is a lengthy and complex review of all practices, procedures, and policies inside the department. The accreditation process has been completed by approximately 25 departments in South Carolina; Cayce being the most recent.

## City News

On Monday, October 7, from 6 to 8 p.m., residents are invited to a police-community partnership event to help make neighborhoods safer. Officers will be joined by local organizations and businesses that will offer free food, educational information and other family-friendly displays. The event will feature children's games and activities, face painting, tour of the fire trucks, a demonstration of a house fire scenario, Police K-9 Unit demonstration, DUI enforcement demonstration and much more. The National Night Out event is free and open to the public. It will take place at the Cayce Department of Public Safety Headquarters at 2 Lavern Jumper Road.

## Around Town

### Election Date Change

Staff with the Lexington County Board of Voter Registration and Elections appeared before Cayce City Council at their May 7 meeting and requested the City change its current election date for Mayor and Council from the Federal and State general election date in November of even-numbered years to November in odd-numbered years. At that time, Cayce was one of only two municipalities that held its elections in even-numbered years. Lexington County felt that changing the elections would simplify the administration of elections, simplify training of local election officials by the State Election Commission, and save election official's time and resources by eliminating the duplication of efforts associated with different election dates.

As with any change of this magnitude, City staff thoroughly researched how the change would affect you, the voters, and found that moving election dates to odd-numbered years would better provide for the efficiency, transparency and accountability for regularly-scheduled elections. Council voted at the June 19, 2019 Council Meeting to amend City Code to move the date for elections of Mayor and Council to November in odd-numbered years.

### BENEFITS

- » Voters will know when their elections are held since they will be held separately from State and Federal Elections.
- » November of odd-numbered years will become a statewide election day resulting in more media coverage of municipal

- » This new, odd-numbered year Election Day should result in improved voter education on the process, the issues and the candidates.
- » The net result of the focus that comes with a common election date should be greater participation.
- » Greater focus and attention improves transparency in elections.

