

What Will Lilburn Look Like in Five Years?

Help define what Lilburn looks like in 2028 by participating in the City's efforts to update its Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan is important because it establishes the future land use in our City. It becomes the legal foundation for zoning decisions made by the Planning Commission and the Mayor and City Council.

- Do you support increased housing density? Do you think multi-family development like duplexes, tri-plexes and apartments would benefit the City?
- Are there certain locations in the city limits where these developments are appropriate?

If you have strong opinions on issues related to land use, and you'd like to have your voice heard, it's your responsibility to get involved in the Comprehensive Plan Update process. If you're interested in serving on a Steering Committee to guide the process, please contact City Planning Director Joellen Wilson (Jwilson@cityoflilburn.com) or City Planner Reid Turner (returner@cityoflilburn.com) before June 12.

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What Is a Comprehensive Plan?

One of the fundamental responsibilities of local government is planning – a word used to describe how a community shapes and guides growth and development.

Updating the comprehensive plan offers communities the opportunity to look beyond the execution of day-to-day services and consider where they want to be in the next five years, as well as what has to be done to get there.

Required plan elements include Vision & Goals, Needs & Opportunities, a Community Work Program, and Broadband Services. Additional required elements for Lilburn are Land Use and Transportation elements.



UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

**MAY 20
12-9 PM**

Splash Pad Opening Day

**MAY 27
12-3 PM**

Splashbash with DJ Matt

City Park Splash Pad

**JUNE 10
7-9:30 PM**

Rock the Park

Lilburn City Park

**JUNE 13
6-9 PM**

Food Truck Tuesday

Lilburn City Park

**JULY 4
5:30-10 PM**

Sparkle in the Park

Lilburn City Park

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Whether you are looking to market your services or gain exposure as an event sponsor, the City of Lilburn Event Sponsorship is the perfect opportunity.

If you would like to be a part of the action in the Lilburn community, contact Event Coordinator Jill Minnoia at 770-638-2223 or jminnoia@cityoflilburn.com.

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Child Car Seats: The Do's and Don'ts

By Corporal Mike Johnson

Every year, there are fatal accidents involving children and infants that are preventable if only they were properly restrained in their car seats. So many times, as a police officer, I've heard the excuses that "I was just going to the store and it's just down the road." Or "How am I supposed to know when they take their seat belt off?"

To the latter, I have replied that a clue would be that your child is jumping around on the back seat and making faces at cars behind you. A fellow officer recently heard, "I normally don't drive this car."

The reality is that with the proper child seat that fits your child, you should not have to worry about such things. And as a parent or caregiver, you can concentrate on things that you should be doing, like watching the road and being a responsible driver. There are never any excuses for not taking the time to properly restrain your child or a child you're caring for. Ever!

According to the CDC, in 2020, 607 child passengers were killed ages 12 and younger with over 63,000 injuries.



Of those children killed, 38% were not buckled up. According to fatal crash data, child restraint use decreased with age. Forty percent of 8 to 12-year-olds were not buckled up who were killed in a crash, compared to 31% of children under 4 years old.

In a different study in 2019, 3% of children under 1 were not restrained; 6% of children one to three were not restrained; 14% of four- to seven-year-olds were not restrained, and 13% of children 8 to 12 years old were not restrained. The study also found that many children graduate too soon to the next stage of child safety seat.

In Georgia, an infant must be rear facing. Keep that child rear facing as long as possible if that child still meets

Some common car seat mistakes:

- Incorrect recline angle for rear-facing car seats
- Loose installation for all car seats
- Loose harness for all car seats
- Harness behind child's arms, legs or back in forward-facing car seats
- Improper lap belt position for booster seats
- Improper shoulder belt position for booster seats.

the weight requirements for that seat. When it's time to go forward facing, make sure the child meets the height and age requirements for that seat from the manufacture. Many mistakes I see parents and caregivers make are thinking the harness doesn't need to be adjusted if it fits around the child. That harness must be adjusted as your child is growing to be properly restrained. Car seat and booster seat misuse can have deadly consequences. If used incorrectly, the seat is less effective.

Seat belts in vehicles are designed for a
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City Hall Invests in Employee Training, Certification and Education

The training and development of employees is imperative! It allows employees to grow in their knowledge base and improve the skills needed to become more effective in the workplace. Because of the constant changes in the industry, it is extremely beneficial for employers to provide and embrace training and certification programs for their employees.

And that's what the City of Lilburn is doing for its staff.

Your Mayor and City Council members support the professional growth in its employees. Various classes and training sessions have been held in recent

months, from sessions on workplace harassment to first aid and emergency response techniques that could save a life.

Employers of any government, business or organization who engage in employee development reap enormous returns on their investments. Well-trained employees lead to improvements in productivity, efficiency, increased profits, and expanded capabilities in job duties. Employee retention can be linked to an organization's willingness to invest in the growth of its employees. Training programs help prepare employees for growth in the organization as well as

build employee confidence.

In return, employees who participate in job training and development programs feel valued and empowered. Implementation of these programs helps employees feel that the organization is invested in their skills and abilities. This will empower employees to feel like better, more productive members of the organization. Organizations see increased employee engagement and enhanced employee performance.

Rest assured the City of Lilburn has a vested interest in training, educating and making the staff one of the best in the nation.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Garbage & Recycling	770-279-3703
Business Services.....	770-921-2210
Business Licensing	
Permitting & Inspections	
Pavilion Rental	
Police Department	770-921-2211
Code Enforcement	
Police	
Planning.....	770-921-2210
Development Plan Review	
Zoning	
Stormwater	

OTHER CONTACTS

Gwinnett County Government	770-822-8000
Animal Welfare	770-339-3200
Fire Department	678-518-4800
Library.....	770-978-5154
Parks and Recreation.....	770-822-8840
Taxes – Motor Vehicle	770-822-8818
Water Resources	678-376-6700
Voter Registration and Elections...	678-226-7210
Gwinnett County Public Schools	678-301-6000
Georgia Dept. of Driver Services	678-413-8400



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passenger that is four feet nine inches or taller. This is why a booster seat is so important. It puts the seat belt on the collar bone and not on the neck. In the event of a crash, this could be deadly. Also, a child should never put a seat belt behind them as this could collapse the upper part of the body onto the lap and damage the spine or worse.

Never have a child riding in the front seat unless all the other seats must be used in the back for other children in their restraints. The reason being is the air bag can kill a child if not meeting the height requirement. A good rule of thumb is if there isn't a "teen" at the end of their age, like "thirteen," then tell them

to buckle up in the back seat. They can't ride up front yet.

Children in Georgia must be in a car seat or booster seat until the age of 8 years old. But there are cases where an 8-year-old doesn't meet the height requirement and must remain in a booster seat still. There are also cases where children with special needs require specific booster seats and harnesses to meet requirements.

I understand the rules and installation of car seats can be confusing. Being a new parent, you want to have everything perfect for your new pride and joy. You want your child to be as safe as possible. Looking at the instructions for car seat installation can be intimidating, but I

promise you, you can do it by taking your time and learning the process. Remember that the super vital information is right there on the side of the seat. That is the height and weight requirements for that seat. Learn if that seat has recalls. Refer to the owner's manual of your car under child passenger safety seat.

The Lilburn Police Department stands ready to help! We have certified child safety seat technicians, such as me, willing to walk you through the installation to ensure you know how to properly install the child passenger seat and make sure you have the right child seat. Simply call the Lilburn Police Department (770-921-2211) Monday through Friday and make an appointment.